

A BILL

*i n t i t u l e d*

An Act to amend the Federal Constitution.

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**ENACTED** by the Parliament of Malaysia as follows:

**Short title and commencement**

**1.** (1) This Act may be cited as the Constitution (Amendment) Act 2019.

(2) This Act comes into operation on a date to be appointed by the Yang di-Pertuan Agong by notification in the *Gazette*.

**Amendment of Article 119**

**2.** The Federal Constitution is amended in Article 119, in Clause (1), in paragraph (a), by substituting for the words “twenty-one years” the words “eighteen years”.

## EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This Bill seeks to amend the Federal Constitution.

2. *Clause 2* of this Bill seeks to amend paragraph (a) of Clause (1) of Article 119 of the Federal Constitution to lower the age of a citizen who is entitled to vote from twenty-one years to eighteen years. With this amendment, more Malaysian citizens would be entitled to vote and elect a government through an election which is in line with a progressive democratic system.

*FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS*

This Bill will involve the Government in extra financial expenditure the amount of which cannot at present be ascertained.

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