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# LAW ON AMENDMENTS TO THE ELECTION LAW OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

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Pursuant to Article IV.4.a) of the Constitution of Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Parliamentary Assembly of Bosnia and Herzegovina, at the 36<sup>th</sup> Session of the House of Representatives of 22 November 2012 and at the 27<sup>th</sup> Session of the House of Peoples of 26 February 2013, has adopted the

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### **Article 1**

In the Election Law of in Bosnia and Herzegovina in 2013 (“Official Gazette of BiH” nos. 23/01, 07/02, 09/02, 20/02, 25/02, 04/04, 20/04, 25/05, 52/05, 65/05, 77/05, 11/06, 24/06, 32/07, 33/08, 37/08 and 32/10)), in Chapter 2 (Competent Authorities Responsible for the Conduct of Elections), in Article 2.2, paragraph (4) shall be amended to read:

“(4) Efforts shall be made to ensure that the number of members of the sex that is less represented within the Municipal Election Commission and Polling Station Committee reaches a minimum of 40% of the total number of members.”

### **Article 2**

In Article 2.14, paragraph (1), in the end of the text, new sentence shall be added to read: “The equal representation of the sexes shall exist in case when one of the sexes is represented with minimum of 40% of the total number of members of the Election Commission”.

### **Article 3**

In Chapter 4 (Certification and Candidacy for the Elections), in Article 4.19, the full stop punctuation mark shall be deleted and replaced with a comma, and the following text shall be added:

“who are equally represented. The equal representation of the sexes shall exist in case when one of the sexes is represented with minimum of 40% of the total number of candidates on the list.”

In paragraph (4), the sentence that reads: The number of minority gender candidates shall be at least equal to the total number of candidates on the list, divided by three (3) rounded up to the closest higher integer” shall be deleted.

### **Article 4**

This Law shall enter into force on the eighth day after it is published in the “Official Gazette of BiH”.