

**IN THE THIRD MEETING OF THE FIRST SESSION
OF THE THIRD PARLIAMENT OF THE
FOURTH REPUBLIC OF GHANA**

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON
SUBSIDIARY, LEGISLATION**

ON THE

CITIZENSHIP REGULATIONS, 2001, L.I. 1690

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

The Citizenship Regulations 2001, L.I. 1690 were laid before the House and referred to the Committee on Subsidiary Legislation on 20th July 2001, pursuant to Article 11 (7) of the Constitution and Standing Order 166.

2.0 REFERENCES

In considering the L.I. the Committee examined the following documents and enactments:

- i. The Standing Orders of Parliament
- ii. The Constitution of the Republic of Ghana
- iii. The Citizenship Act, 2000, Act 591 and
- iv. The Citizenship Regulations, 2001, L.I. 1690

3.0 BACKGROUND

The Minister of Interior derives his authority to make these Regulations from section 23 of the Citizenship Act 2000, Act 591 which provides as follows:

"23 The Minister may by legislative instrument make Regulations for:

- a. Procedures relating to use of travel documents by holders of dual citizenship;
- b. Forms and manner of notification of acquisition of dual citizenship;
- c. Fees chargeable in respect of anything to be done under this Act, and
- d. Generally for giving full effect to the provisions of this Act.

4.0 **DELIBERATIONS**


This Instrument makes provision for persons seeking notification of citizenship of an adopted child, application for citizenship by registration or naturalisation, Dual Citizenship as well as the relevant Forms/Documents to be used among other things as well as fees to be paid for the afore-mentioned purposes.

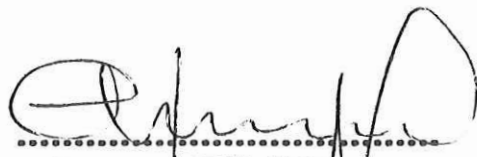
It was observed by the Committee, that this Regulations when passed into law, will enable Ghanaians who would otherwise have lost their Ghanaian Citizenship by reason of their having acquired the citizenship of another country regain their citizenship and enjoy the privileges and rights which exist for Ghanaians.

It was again observed that, apart from helping the Immigration Service cover its operational cost, the fees being proposed will also help prevent unscrupulous individuals from taking undue advantage of the system.

6.0 **RECOMMENDATION/CONCLUSION**

The Committee finds the Citizenship Regulations 2001, L.I. 1690 consistent with the Standing Orders of Parliament and the Parent Act and recommends that the House allows it to come into force.


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