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Suggested addition to Chapter 10

- (1) For the purposes of the first election, amalgamated local authorities will be delimited into a number of wards, which allocation will be determined by a national formula.
- (2) Forty percent of such seats will be allocated on the basis of proportional representation whereas sixty percent will be allocated on the basis of wards: Provided that, for the ward-based seats:
 - (i) No one previously existing local authority area will be allocated less than 50% of the ward-based seats;

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- For the purposes of the first election those local authorities previously administered in terms of Act 102 of 1982 shall be deemed to be one local authority area, and all local authorities previously governed by other legislation shall count as the other local authority area; and
- (iii) The above provision shall apply, <u>mutatis mutandis</u>, in those territories currently defined as the self-governing territories or the TBVC states.

Local governments may, in their discretion by means of a Council resolution, provide for the delegation of specified functions to local bodies or sub-municipal entities within their area of jurisdiction where, in the opinion of Council, this will facilitate or enhance the provision or administration of services, the adherence to municipal by laws or, more generally, further good governance in the public interest provided that:

- (i) Such delegation shall not be inconsistent with Provincial and or national legislation
- (ii) Such delegations shall not constitute the abrogation by the local authority of its primary political responsibilities.

In the period prior to the first elections appointed transitional or metropolitan councils shall administer local povernment on an amalgamated basis, whereas such structures will be elected on a democratic basis as provided for in 143 (1).

Any resolution of any transitional or metropolitan council pertaining to the budget of such transitional or metropolitan council shall be taken by a two-thirds majority, and nay resolution of any such structure pertaining to town planning regulations shall be taken by an absolute majority of all councillors

Such councils shall elect, according to a system of proportional representation from amongst its members an executive committee to exercise such powers and perform such duties and functions determined by such transitional or metropolitan council, provided that:-

- the executive committee may, instead of exercising such power or performing such duty or function, submit its report and recommendation to the transitional or metropolitan council concerned for its decision in the matter;
- (ii) The transitional or metropolitan council shall determine the number of members of and the quorum for the executive committee;
- (iii) the executive committee shall exercise its powers and functions and perform its functions, and duties on the basis of consensus; and
- (i) Where consensus cannot be achieved, any resolution of the executive committee shall be taken by a two-thirds majority.