

ELECTIONS AND BOUNDARIES DEPARTMENT  
BELIZE CITY

18<sup>th</sup> February 2015

**NOTICE**  
**MUNICIPAL ELECTION**

**EMPLOYERS TO ALLOW EMPLOYEES**  
**REASONABLE TIME FOR VOTING**

The attention of all employers and the general public is drawn to the provisions of Section 147 of the Cities and Town Councils Acts, which requires employers to grant reasonable time to employees to vote **on Election Day, Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> March 2015**, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Section 147 (1) and (2) states as follows:

“147. (1) Every employer shall, on polling day, allow every voter in his employ a reasonable time during the prescribed period for voting, and no employer shall make any deduction from the pay or other remuneration of any such voter or impose upon or exact from him any penalty by reason of his absence during such period.

(2) Any employer who, directly or indirectly refuses to grant, or by intimidation, undue influence or in any other way, interferes with the granting of reasonable time to any voter in his employ during the prescribed period of voting as in this section provided, shall on summary conviction be liable to a fine not exceeding two thousand dollars or to imprisonment for a period not exceeding one year.”

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**CHIEF ELECTIONS OFFICER**