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Gerakan-Amendments

SEVEN PROPOSALS TO AMEND GERAKAN'S CONSTITUTION

KUALA LUMPUR, Aug 11 (Bernama) -- The Gerakan's annual delegates conference this weekend will discuss seven proposed amendments to the party constitution.

The proposed amendments are on the qualifying period and approval of a member to be allowed to vote or to stand as candidates in party elections; to lengthen the tenure of office bearers in a state liason committee; to allow the secretary-general and national treasures to be appointed; and to have two additional deputy secretaries.

The other two proposals are to give final power to the Central Working Committee (CWC) to approve candidates for local government or for the general election and to rectify mistakes in Articles 20.1(a), 25.1(a) and 30.1(a) to be in line with Article 78.3 of the party constitution.

The proposed amendements will be tabled by secretary-general Tan Sri Chan Choong Tak on Saturday, according to a Gerakan statement here today.

The 26th national delegates conference will be officially opened by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad who is the Barisan Nasional chairman.

Under the proposed amendments, only those who have been members for a continuous period of two years or who have obtained approval in writing from the CWC will be allowed to vote or stand as candidates in a party election.

It is also proposed that the tenure of office bearers be extended from two to three years.

The Central Committee (CC) is also proposing that the secretary-general and the national treasurer be appointed from among the CC members by the party president with the concurrence of the CC, rather than from among the delegates at the national delegates' conference. -- BERNAMA

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