

Section 22 and 23 of the House of Assembly Act states the following:

Disqualification on account of conviction:

22 (1) A person who stands convicted of an indictable offence that is punishable by imprisonment for a maximum of more than five years is not eligible to be

(a) nominated as a candidate for election as a member of the House; or

(b) elected as a member of the House,

for a period of five years from the date of conviction and, if the sentence imposed for the offence or substituted by a competent authority has not been fully served at the end of that period, for the further time remaining to be served in that sentence.

(2) Where a conviction is set aside by a competent authority, any disability imposed by this Section is removed. R.S. (1992 Supp.), c. 1, s. 22.

Conviction of member:

23 Where a person who is a member of the House is convicted of an indictable offence that is punishable by imprisonment for a maximum of more than five years, that member forthwith ceases to be a member, and the seat of that member is and is deemed to be vacant until an election is held in that electoral district according to law. R.S. (1992 Supp.), c. 1, s. 23.