BELIZE:

COMPANIES (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2020

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

- 1. Short title.
- 2. Amendment of section 2.
- 3. Amendment of section 221.
- 4. Replacement of references to Attorney-General.



No. 16 of 2020

I assent,

(SIR COLVILLE N. YOUNG)

Governor-General

30th July, 2020.

AN ACT to amend the Companies Act, Chapter 250 of the Substantive Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2011; to insert a definition for the word Minister; to transfer the official and effective administration of the Companies and Corporate Affairs Registry to the Ministry of Finance; and to provide for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

(Gazetted 1st August, 2020)

BE IT ENACTED, by and with the advice and consent of the House of Representatives and the Senate of Belize and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. This Act may be cited as the

Short title.

CAP. 250. 19 of 2013. 4 of 2014. 14 of 2018. and shall be read and construed as one with the Companies Act, which, as amended, is hereinafter referred to as the principal Act.

Amendment of section 2.

2. Section 2 of the principal Act is amended by inserting the following definition in its proper alphabetical order—

""Minister" means the Minister with responsibility for finance;".

Amendment of section 221.

3. Section 221 of the principal Act is amended by repealing sub-section (1a) and substituting the following—

"(1a) The Companies and Corporate Affairs Registry shall be under and in the charge of the Registrar who shall be a fit and proper person appointed by the Minister.".

Replacement of references to Attorney-General. **4.** The principal Act is amended by deleting the terms "Attorney-General" wherever it occurs and substituting therefor the word "Minister".