

**BELIZE:**

**STAMP DUTIES (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2021**

**ARRANGEMENT OF CLAUSES**

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2. Insertion of section 55B.
3. Commencement.

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**BILL**

**for**

**AN ACT** to amend the Stamp Duties Act Chapter 64 of the Substantive Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2011; to exempt certain documents of a company from the payment of stamp duties; and to provide for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

*(Gazetted ....., 2021)*

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

Short title.

**1.** This Act may be cited as the

**STAMP DUTIES (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2021,**

CAP. 64.  
30 of 2017.  
42 of 2017.  
25 of 2018.  
18 of 2019.

and shall be read and construed as one with the Stamp Duties Act, which, as amended, is hereinafter referred to as the principal Act.

**2.** The principal Act is amended by inserting the following new section immediately after section 55A—

“Exemptions for  
companies.  
CAP. 250.

**55B.**—(1) The following instruments relating to a company formed and registered under the Companies Act are exempt from stamp duties imposed by this Act—

- (a) memorandum of association;
- (b) articles of association;
- (c) certificate of incorporation; or
- (d) any other instrument relating to the formation or registration of a company.”.

Commencement.

**3.** This Act shall come into force on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2021.