

**BELIZE:**

**COMPANIES (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2021**

**ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS**

1. Short title.
2. Amendment of section 17.
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No. 17 2021

I assent,

**(H.E. MS. FROYLA TZALAM)**  
*Governor-General*

*17th September 2021*

**AN ACT to amend the Companies Act, Chapter 250 of the Substantive Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2011; to remove the fee for certifying documents as in compliance with the Act; to allow for certain fees to be prescribed by Order published in the Gazette; and to provide for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.**

*(Gazetted 18th September, 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:***

1. This Act may be cited as the

Short title.

**COMPANIES (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2021,**

CAP. 250.  
19 of 2013.  
4 of 2014.  
14 of 2018.  
16 of 2020.

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 17.

2. Section 17(2) of the principal Act is amended by deleting the words “There shall be paid to the Minister for such certificate a fee of five hundred dollars.”.

Amendment of  
section 221.

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

“(3) Any person may inspect the documents kept by the Registrar on payment of such fees as may be prescribed by the Minister by Order published in the *Gazette*, and any person may require a certificate of the incorporation of any company, or a copy or extract of any other document or any part of any document, to be certified by the Registrar, on payment for the certificate, certified copy or extract, of such fees as the Minister prescribes by Order published in the *Gazette*.”.

Commencement.

4. This Act shall be deemed to have come into force on the 1st day of September 2021.