Inferior Courts

BELIZE:

INFERIOR COURTS (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2022 ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

- 1. Short title.
- 2. Amendment of section 66.



No. 4 of 2022

I assent,

(H.E. MS. FROYLA TZALAM)

Governor-General

22nd March 2022

AN ACT to amend the Inferior Courts Act, Chapter 94 of the Substantive Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2020; to allow for hearings or trials before the court to be conducted virtually; and to provide for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

(Gazetted 24th March, 2022).

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.

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and shall be read and construed as one with the Inferior Courts Act, which is hereinafter referred to as the principal Act.

Amendment of section 66.

- **2.** The principal Act is amended by repealing section 66(1) and substituting the following–
 - "(1) The Minister may appoint a committee consisting of three magistrates, one of whom shall be the Chief Magistrate, for the purpose of making rules for-
 - (a) regulating the practice and procedure of the courts in matters not provided for by this or any other Act;
 - (b) directing that hearings or trials before the court may be conducted virtually; or
 - (c) any other purpose which the committee considers necessary to give purpose and effect to this Act.".