## **BELIZE:**

# MARRIAGE (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2022

## ARRANGEMENT OF CLAUSES

- 1. Short title.
- 2. Insertion of new section.

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#### BILL

#### for

AN ACT to amend the Marriage Act, Chapter 174 of the Substantive Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2020; to provide for the late filing of marriages; to empower the Registrar to make regulations for the late filing of marriages; and to provide for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

(Gazetted ......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:

Short title.

1.

This Act may be cited as the

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CAP. 174.	and shall be read and construed as one with the Marriage Act, which is hereinafter referred to as the principal Act.
Insertion of new section.	<b>2.</b> The principal Act is amended by inserting immediately after section 61, the following new section–
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**61A.**–(1) Notwithstanding section 61(2), a marriage "Late filing of marriages. officer may transmit to the Registrar a Duplicate Original Marriage Register outside of the time prescribed in section 61 (2).

> (2) The Registrar may, from time to time, make regulations for the late filing of marriages."