

**BELIZE:**

**NOTARIES PUBLIC BILL, 2022**

**ARRANGEMENT OF CLAUSES**

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

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**BILL**

**for**

**AN ACT** to amend the Notaries Public Act, Chapter 129 of the Substantive Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2020; to provide for the Chief Justice to make rules for the appointment and enrolment of a Notary Public; 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

**NOTARIES PUBLIC (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2022,**

Cap. 129.

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

Amendment of section 2.

**2.** The principal Act is amended by repealing section 2 and substituting the following—

“Appointment. **2.-(1)** The Prime Minister may grant a commission, under his hand, to any fit and proper person whose legal qualifications to be appointed and enrolled as a notary public is certified to him in writing by the Chief Justice, authorising that person to practise as a notary public within Belize.

(2) The Chief Justice may, by rules, make provision for the appointment of a notary public, enrolment of a notary public, for the payment of any fees therefor and generally, for giving effect to the provisions of sub-section (1).”.