

**BELIZE:**

**LAW REVISION (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2023**

**ARRANGEMENT OF CLAUSES**

1. Short title.
2. Amendment of section 2.
3. Insertion of new section 4A.

**BELIZE:**

**BILL**

**for**

**AN ACT** to amend the Law Revision Act, Chapter 3 of the Substantive Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2020; to allow for the publication of an interim revised edition of the laws of Belize; and to provide for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

*(Gazetted ....., 2023)*

**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

**LAW REVISION (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2023,**

CAP. 3,  
49 of 2021.

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

Amendment of  
section 2.

**2.** The principal Act is amended in section 2 by inserting the following term and its definition in its proper alphabetical sequence—

““interim revised edition” means the revision and consolidation of any one or more of the laws of Belize prepared under the authority of Part II, which is published after the completion of the revised edition;”.

Insertion of new  
section 4A.

**3.** The principal Act is amended by inserting immediately after section 4, the following new section—

“Interim revised  
edition.

**4A.**—(1) Notwithstanding section 4, an interim revised edition of any Act may be prepared after the completion of the revised edition if the Minister is of the opinion that—

(a) resources are sufficient;

- (b) one or more Acts are of crucial value or importance that an interim revised edition is necessary; and
- (c) the public would benefit from the interim revision and publication.

(2) The interim revised edition shall come into force on a date appointed by the Minister, by Order published in the *Gazette*.

(3) The provisions of Part II, as it relates to the publication and validity of the revised edition, shall, in so far as they are applicable, apply *mutatis mutandis* and have effect for the purpose of publication of the interim revised edition and with respect to the validity thereof.”.