## **BELIZE:**

## **MISUSE OF DRUGS (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2023**

## ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

- 1. Short title.
- 2. Amendment of section 48.



No. 25 of 2023

I assent,

(H.E. DAME FROYLA TZALAM) Governor-General

4<sup>th</sup> July, 2023.

AN ACT to amend the Misuse of Drugs Act, Chapter 103 of the Substantive Laws of Belize Revised Edition 2020; to satisfy the requirements of the Financial Action Task Force Recommendations with respect to laws regarding proportionate and dissuasive penalties; and to provide for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

(Gazetted 4th July, 2023)

BE IT ENACTED, by an with the advice and consent of the House of Representatives and the 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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Amendment of **2.** The principal Act is amended in section 48(4)-section 48.

- (a) in paragraph (a), by-
  - (*i*) deleting the word "two" and substituting it with the word "ten"; and
  - *(ii)* deleting the word "twenty" and substituting it with the word "two hundred and fifty";
- (b) in paragraph (b), by-
  - (*i*) deleting the word "ten" and substituting it with the word "twenty"; and
  - *(ii)* deleting the words "fifty thousand" and substituting it with the words, "one million".