### **BELIZE:**

# NATIONAL ACCREDITATION COUNCIL OF BELIZE (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2023

## ARRANGEMENT OF CLAUSES

- 1. Short title.
- 2. Insertion of new section 27A.
- 3. Repeal of section 31.

#### **BILL**

#### For

**AN ACT** to amend the National Accreditation Council of Belize Act, Chapter 39:01 of the Substantive Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2020; to provide for the registration of institutions and providers with the Council; and to provide for matters connected therewith and 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

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CAP. 39:01.

and shall be read and construed as one with the National Accreditation Council of Belize Act, which is hereinafter referred to as the principal Act.

Insertion of new section 27A.

2. The principal Act is amended by inserting the following new section immediately after section 27, under Part V–

"Registration and approval.

- **27A.**–(1) Any institution or provider that wishes to operate in Belize shall register with the Council.
- (2) Notwithstanding sub-section (1), an institution or provider that has previously been granted approval to operate in Belize, and whose approval is still valid on or after December 1, 2023, shall be allowed to continue to operate without registering with the Council, up until May 31, 2025.

- (3) Any institution or provider that wishes to undertake or advertise to the public any new course or program shall obtain the prior approval of the Council.".
- **3.** The principal Act is amended by repealing section 31.

Repeal of section 31.