BELIZE:

REFERENDUM (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2023

ARRANGEMENT OF CLAUSES

- 1. Short title.
- 2. Amendment of section 2.
- 3. Amendment of section 3.

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BILL

for

AN ACT to amend the Referendum Act, Chapter 10 of the Substantive Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2020; to expand the circumstances in which a referendum shall be held; and to provide for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

(Gazetted2023).

- 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

REFERENDUM (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2023,

- CAP. 10. and shall be read and construed as one with the Referendum Act, which is hereinafter referred to as the principal Act.
- Amendment of section 2. Section 2(1) of the principal Act is amended-
 - (a) in paragraph (d), by deleting the full-stop at the end and replacing it with a semi-colon;
 - (b) by inserting immediately after paragraph (d), the following new paragraphs-
 - CAP. "(e) on any proposed amendment or repeal, whether 330. "(e) on any proposed amendment or repeal, whether express or implied, of the Petroleum Operations (Maritime Zone Moratorium) Act; or
 - (f) on any proposed legislation affecting the carrying on of petroleum operations within the limits of the maritime zone of Belize.".

Referendum

Amendment of section 3.

- 3. Section 3(1) of the principal Act is amended by repealing paragraph (c) and replacing it with the following
 - "(c) of a request made to that effect by the Prime Minister in respect of the circumstances set out in section 2(1)(c),(d), (e) or (f),".