

BELIZE:

REFERENDUM (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2023

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

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



No. 42 of 2023

I assent,

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

9th November, 2023.

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.

(Gazetted 11th November, 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:

1. This Act may be cited as the

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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.

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. 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.”.

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),”.