BELIZE:

STATUTORY INSTRUMENT

No. 24 of 2023

REGULATIONS made by the Minister responsible for Social Security in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by sections 10 and 64 of the Social Security Act, Chapter 44 of the Substantive Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2020, and all other powers thereunto him enabling

(Gazetted February 15th, 2023).

1. These regulations be cited as the

Citation.

SOCIAL SECURITY (REGISTRATION OF EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYED PERSONS) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS, 2023,

and shall be read and construed as one with the Social Security (Registration of Employers and Employed Persons) Regulations, which, as amended, are hereinafter referred to as the principal Regulations.

Sub Leg, 1991 Edn. CAP 34 p.116. S.I 130 of 2000. S.I. 22 of 2019. S.I 85 of 2019.

- 2. The principal Regulations are amended in regulation 3 of the Social Security (Registration of Employers and Employed Persons) (Amendment) (No.2) Regulations, 2019, Statutory Instrument No. 85 of 2019–
- Amendment of regulation 3 of S.I. 85 of 2019.
- (a) in sub-regulation (1), by deleting the words "twenty-four months" and replacing them with "forty-eight months";
- (b) by inserting a new sub-regulation immediately after sub-regulation 3 as follows-

" (4) The Minister may extend the period under sub-regulation 1 by Notice published in the *Gazette*."

Amendment of regulation 4.

3. The principal Regulations are amended in regulation 4 by inserting the following immediately after sub-regulation (7A)–

"(7B) Notwithstanding sub-regulation (7) and (7A), the Chief Executive Officer of the Board may waive the requirement for the production of any registration document in exceptional circumstances where it is difficult for a Belizean, CARICOM national, permanent resident, or foreign national to acquire the required documents.

Amendment of regulation 5.

4. The principal Regulations are amended in regulation 5(1) by deleting the words "free of charge" and substituting the words "issued at a cost of five dollars".

Negative Resolution.

5. These regulations are subject to negative resolution.

MADE by the Minister responsible for Social Security this 15th day of February, 2023.

HON JOHN BRICEÑO

Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Economic Development and Investment (Minister responsible for Social Security)