

BELIZE:

MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE (THIRD PARTY RISKS)
(AMENDMENT) ACT, 2026

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No. 10 of 2026

I assent,

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

13th May, 2026

AN ACT to amend the Motor Vehicle Insurance (Third Party Risks) Act, Chapter 231 of the Substantive Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2020; to empower traffic wardens to require the production of insurance certificates; to increase the penalties for using a motor vehicle without insurance; and to provide for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

(Gazetted 14th May, 2026).

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

Short title.

MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE (THIRD PARTY RISKS) (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2026,

CAP. 231.

and shall be read and construed as one with the Motor Vehicle Insurance (Third Party Risks) Act, which is hereinafter referred to as the principal Act.

Amendment of section 2.

2. The principal Act is amended in section 2 by inserting the following word and its corresponding definition in the proper alphabetical order—

CAP. 230.

““traffic warden” means a person appointed under section 3 of the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Act;”.

Amendment of section 3.

3. The principal Act is amended in section 3(3) by deleting the words “a fine not exceeding four hundred dollars or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months” and substituting the words “a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding eight months”.

Amendment of section 7.

4. The principal Act is amended in section 7—

(a) in sub-section (1)—

(i) by inserting after the words “Belize Police Department”, the words “or a traffic warden”; and

(ii) in the proviso, by inserting after the words “police station”, the words “or Department of Transport”;

(b) in sub-section (2), by inserting after the words “may be required”, the words “by a traffic warden or”;

(c) in sub-section (3), by inserting after the words “Belize Police Department”, the words “, a traffic warden”.

5. The principal Act is amended in section 13(4) by inserting after the words “Belize Police Department”, the words “or a traffic warden, as the case may be,”.

Amendment of section 13

6. The principal Act is amended in section 16(1) by deleting the words “a fine not exceeding two hundred dollars or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months”, and substituting the words “a fine not exceeding six hundred dollars or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months”.

Amendment of section 16.

7. The principal Act is amended in section 17 by inserting after the words “Belize Police Department,”, the words “a traffic warden,”.

Amendment of section 17.