

JAMAICA

No. 30 -2010

I assent,

[L.S.]

(sgd) P. L. Allen
Governor-General
30th December 2010

AN ACT to Amend the Criminal Justice (Plea Negotiations and Agreements) Act.

[31st December 2010]

BE IT ENACTED by The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Representatives of Jamaica, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the Criminal Justice (Plea Negotiations and Agreements) (Amendment) Act, 2010, and shall be read and construed as one with the Criminal Justice (Plea Negotiations and Agreements) Act, hereinafter referred to as the "principal Act".

Short title and construction.

Amendment
of section 15
of principal
Act

2. Section 15 of the Principal Act is amended by—

- (a) deleting from subsection (1) the words “subsection (2) or (3)” and substituting therefor the words “the provisions of this section”; and
- (b) inserting next after subsection (3) the following as subsection (4)—

“ (4) Where the offence is punishable by a prescribed minimum penalty, the Judge or Resident Magistrate may, notwithstanding any other provision to the contrary, impose sentence without regard to the prescribed minimum penalty.”.

Passed in the Senate this 5th day of November, 2010.

OSWALD G. HARDING, OJ, CD, QC,
President.

Passed in the House of Representatives this 23rd day of November, 2010.

M. DALRYMPLE-PHILIBERT,
Deputy Speaker.

This printed impression has been carefully compared by me with the authenticated impression of the foregoing Act, and has been found by me to be a true and correct printed copy of the said Act.

Clerk to the Houses of Parliament.