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# SOCIAL SECURITY (AMENDMENT) BILL

No. of 2014

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#### Social Security (Amendment) Bill, 2014

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Governor

DATE:

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# A BILL FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT (CAP. 18.09).

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of Montserrat, and by the Authority of the same as follows:—

#### 1 Short title and commencement

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Social Security (Amendment) Act, 2014.
- (2) This Act comes into operation by Order, on a date appointed by the Governor acting on the advice of Cabinet.

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#### 2 Interpretation

In this Act "**principal Act**" means the Social Security Act, (Cap.18.09).

#### 3 Section 2 amended

Section 2 of the principal Act is amended by inserting the following definition in the correct alphabetical sequence:

"**public officer**" has the same meaning assigned to it under section 107(1) of the Montserrat Constitution Order 2010;".

#### 4 Section 31A inserted

The principal Act is amended by inserting the following as section 31A:

# "31A. Manner of paying sickness benefit to public officer

If a public officer claims a sickness benefit—

- (a) any sickness benefit payable to the public officer shall be paid to the Accountant General; and
- (b) the Accountant General shall cause the payment of sickness benefit to be made to the public officer.".

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#### 5 Section 34 amended

Section 34 of the Social Security Act, (Cap.18.09) is deleted and the following is substituted:

#### **"34. Benefit to be inalienable**

Except as otherwise provided for in this Act —

- (a) an assignment of or charge on a benefit and an agreement to assign or charge a benefit is void; and
- (b) on the bankruptcy of a beneficiary a benefit shall not pass to a trustee or other person acting on behalf of a creditor of the beneficiary.".

#### **SPEAKER**

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Passed by the Legislative Assembly this day of 2014.

#### **CLERK OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**