THE REVISION OF LAWS (AMENDMENT) BILL (No. XX of 2021)

Explanatory memorandum

The main object of this Bill is to amend the Revision of Laws Act to provide that an electronic revised edition of all Acts, including regulations, shall be published on the web portal of the Attorney-General's Office.

2. The enactments included in the electronic revised edition shall, for all purposes, with effect from the date on which they are published on the web portal of the Attorney-General's Office –

- (a) be regarded as equivalent to the enactments included in a revised edition and shall be deemed to be the official text of the enactments so published; and
- (b) be taken to be the laws of Mauritius.

3. This electronic revised edition will be free of charge and any user will, over and above of viewing the laws of Mauritius on the web portal, be able to print a copy thereof.

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ARRANGEMENT OF CLAUSES

Clause

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A BILL

To amend the Revision of Laws Act

ENACTED by the Parliament of Mauritius, as follows -

1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the Revision of Laws (Amendment) Act 2021.

2. Interpretation

In this Act -

"principal Act" means the Revision of Laws Act.

3. Section 2 of principal Act amended

Section 2 of the principal Act is amended by inserting, in the appropriate alphabetical order, the following new definition –

"revised electronic edition" means an electronic edition of enactments published in accordance with section 4B;

4. Section 3 of principal Act amended

Section 3 of the principal Act is amended, in subsection (2), by inserting, after paragraph (a), the following new paragraph -

(b) prepare electronic revised editions;

5. New section 4B inserted in principal Act

The principal Act is amended by inserting, after section 4A, the following new section -

4B. Electronic revised edition

(1) An electronic revised edition shall be published on the web portal of the Attorney-General's Office.

(2) Except for sections 4(2)(b), (3), (4), (5), (6) and (7), 4A and 6, the provisions of this Act shall apply to an electronic revised edition as they would apply to a revised edition.

(3) Notwithstanding sections 12(1) and 13 of the Interpretation and General Clauses Act, the enactments included in the electronic

revised edition shall, for all purposes, with effect from the date on which they are published on the web portal of the Attorney-General's Office –

- (a) be regarded as equivalent to the enactments included in a revised edition and shall be deemed to be the official text of the enactments so published; and
- (b) be taken to be the laws of Mauritius.

6. Commencement

This Act shall come into operation on a date to be fixed by Proclamation.