

## MESSAGE

From

THE HONOURABLE THE SENATE

To

THE HONOURABLE THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

The Honourable the Senate has the honour to inform the Honourable the House of Assembly that at its sitting on **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> August, 2025** the **Interception of Communication Bill, 2025**, the **Criminal Proceedings (Witness Anonymity) Bill, 2025** and the **Firearms (Amendment) Bill, 2025** were amended in the following terms:

**In the Interception of Communication Bill, 2025:**

In **Clause 5(2)** paragraph (b) was deleted and the subsequent paragraphs (c), (d), (e), (f) and (g) were renumbered as paragraphs (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f).

In **Clause 13(2)** the word "*Authority*" was deleted the word "**Commission**" substituted therefor.

In **Clause 14(3)** the word "*Authority*" was deleted the word "**Commission**" substituted therefor.

In **Clause 21(9)** the word "*and*" was deleted in the second place it appears and the word "**or**" was substituted therefor.

In **Clause 24** subclause (5) was deleted and subclause (6) was renumbered as subclause (5).

In **Clause 26(6)** the word "(3)" was deleted and the words "**subsection (5)**" was substituted therefor.

In the **Second Schedule**, paragraph 6(1), the words "*or Chief Executive Officer*" were deleted.

In the **Criminal Proceedings (Witness Anonymity) Bill, 2025:**

The following Clause was inserted after clause 29:

**“Amendment to Schedule**

**29. The Minister may by Order amend the Schedule.”**

Clause 29 was renumbered as clause 30.

In the **Firearms (Amendment) Bill, 2025:**

In the definition of “firearm”, paragraph (b) was deleted and the following substituted therefor:

**“(b) includes any major component part of a weapon referred to in paragraph (a)(i), (iii), (iv) and (v) specifically designed for use in a firearm including a barrel, slide, frame, hammer, firing pin, auto or automatic sear, sear, trigger, bolt and magazine; but”.**

The following Clause was inserted after clause 2:

**“Amendment of section 5 of Cap. 179**

**3. Section 5(4) of the principal Act is deleted and the following substituted:**

**“(4) A firearm licence shall contain permission for the holder to have in his possession**

**(a) ammunition of a type, and not exceeding an amount, specified in the licence; and**

**(b) such parts or accessories as are reasonably necessary for the repair, maintenance or use of the firearm to which the licence applies.”.**

Clause 3 was renumbered as clause 4.

**AND** the Honourable the Senate transmits the amended Bills to the Honourable the House of Assembly inviting concurrence in the amendments to the Bills.

✖ ✖ **Dated the 20<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2025.**

  
**PRESIDENT**