

JAMAICA

No. 2 – 2012

I assent,

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(Sgd) P.-L. Allen
Governor-General
24th May, 2012

AN ACT to Amend the Processed Food Act.

[24th May, 2012]

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

1. This Act may be cited as the Processed Food (Amendment) Act, 2012, and shall be read and construed as one with the Processed Food Act (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act) and all amendments thereto. Short title and construction.

Amendment of
section 12 of
principal Act.

2. Section 12 of the principal Act is amended by renumbering the section as subsection (1) and inserting next after subsection (1) as renumbered the following as subsection (2)—

“ (2) Where the Minister makes an order under subsection (1)(c), a notice of the order and its terms shall be published without delay in at least one daily newspaper circulated in Jamaica.”.

Amendment of
section 15 of
principal Act.

3. Section 15 of the principal Act is amended by —

(a) deleting the words “two hundred dollars” and substituting therefor the words “three million dollars”;

(b) deleting the words “with or without hard labour”; and

(c) inserting immediately after the words “twelve months” the words “or both such fine and imprisonment”.

Repeal and
replacement of
section 17 of
principal Act.

4. The principal Act is amended by deleting section 17 and inserting therein the following as sections 17 and 17A —

“Penalties in
Regulations. 17. Regulations made under section 13 may prescribe greater penalties than those specified in section 29 of the Interpretation Act, and the maximum penalty that may be so prescribed shall be a fine not exceeding three million dollars or imprisonment for a term not exceeding twelve months or both such fine and imprisonment.

Minister may
by order
amend
monetary
penalty.

17A. The Minister may by order, subject to affirmative resolution, amend any monetary penalty specified in this Act.”

Passed in the House of Representatives this 1st day of May, 2012.

LLOYD B. SMITH
Deputy Speaker.

Passed in the Senate this 4th day of May, 2012.

STANLEY ST. J. REDWOOD
President.

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.