

JAMAICA

No. 06 – 2018

I assent,



P. C. Allen

Governor-General.

26th day of March 2018

AN ACT to Amend the Child Care and Protection Act.

[27th day of March 2018]

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:—

PART I—*Preliminary*

1. This Act may be cited as the Child Care and Protection (Amendment) Act, 2018, and shall be read and construed as one with the Child Care and Protection Act (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act), and all amendments thereto. Short title and construction.
2. Section 10 of the principal Act is amended— Amendment of section 10 of principal Act.
 - (a) in subsection (2), by deleting the word “ten” and substituting therefor the word “twenty”; and

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(b) by inserting next after subsection (2), the following subsection—

“ (3) Where a person is charged with an offence under subsection (2)—

(a) there shall be no committal proceedings; and

(b) the person shall be tried before a Judge of the Circuit Court sitting without a jury.”

Passed in the House of Representatives this 30th day of January, 2018.

PEARNEL CHARLES, CD, MP, JP
Speaker.

Passed in the Senate this 23rd day of February, 2018.

THOMAS TAVARES-FINSON, CD, QC, JP
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.

Sgd. Heather E. Cooke
Clerk to the Houses of Parliament.