AN ACT to Amend the Firearms Act.

[12th day of February 2016]

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:—

1. This Act may be cited as the Firearms (Amendment) Act, 2016, and shall be read and construed as one with the Firearms Act (hereinafter referred to as the "principal Act") and all amendments thereto.

2. Section 29 of the principal Act is amended by deleting subsection (7).
3. The Third Schedule to the principal Act is amended—

(a) by deleting paragraph 12 and substituting therefor the following—

12.—(1) Subject to sub-paragraph (3), and for the due administration of the Authority, the Board may, with the prior written approval of the Minister, appoint a Chief Executive Officer of the Authority, at such remuneration and on such terms and conditions as the Board thinks fit.

(2) The Chief Executive Officer of the Authority shall be responsible for the day-to-day management of the affairs of the Authority and—

(a) shall have supervision over and direction of the work and staff of the Authority; and

(b) subject to sub-paragraph (3), may appoint and employ at such remuneration and on such terms and conditions as he thinks fit, such officers and employees as may be necessary for the efficient operation of the Authority.

(3) Except with the prior written approval of the Minister with
responsibility for the Public Service, after consultation with the Minister—

(a) no salary in excess of the prescribed rate shall be assigned to any post; and

(b) no appointment shall be made to any post to which a salary in excess of the prescribed rate is assigned,

and, for the purposes of this sub-paragraph, the “prescribed rate” shall be eight million dollars or such other rate as the Minister with responsibility for the Public Service, after consultation with the Minister, may prescribe by order.”; and

(b) in paragraph 14, by deleting sub-paragraph (4) and substituting therefor the following as sub-paragraphs (4) and (4 A)—

“(4) For the purposes of this paragraph, “financial year” means the period of twelve months ending on the 31st day of March in each year.

(4 A) Notwithstanding the provisions of sub-paragraph (4), the period immediately after the financial year ending on the 31st day of August, 2015, being seven months from September 1, 2015 to March 31, 2016, shall be treated as the financial year next following.”.

Passed in the House of Representatives this 8th day of December, 2015.

MICHAEL A. PEART
Speaker.

Passed in the Senate this 15th day of January, 2016 with one (1) amendment.

ANGELA BROWN-BURKE
Deputy President.
On the 19th day of January, 2016 the House of Representatives agreed to the amendment made by the Senate.

MICHAEL A. PEART
Speaker.

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.