AN ACT to Amend the Jury Act.

[9th day of June, 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 Jury (Amendment) Act, 2016, and shall be read and construed as one with the Jury Act (hereinafter referred to as the "principal Act") and all amendments thereto.

2. Section 33 of the principal Act is amended—

(a) in subsection (2), by deleting the word "Every" and substituting therefor the words "Subject to subsection (2A), every";
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(b) by inserting next after subsection (2) the following as
subsection (2A)—

" (2A) In respect of offences tried jointly, the
peremptory challenges allowed for the purposes of
subsection (2) shall be four."

3. Section 44 of the principal Act is amended in subsections (1A)
and (2) by deleting the words “nine to three” wherever they appear and
substituting therefor, in each case, the words “five to two”.

Passed in the House of Representatives this 25th day of May, 2016.

PEARNEL CHARLES
Speaker.

Passed in the Senate this 27th day of May, 2016.

TOM TAVARES-FINSON
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.