

**BELIZE:**

**NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANISATIONS  
(AMENDMENT)ACT, 2017**

**ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS**

1. Short title.
2. Repeal and replacement of section 4.



No. 21 of 2017

I assent,

(SIR COLVILLE N. YOUNG)  
*Governor-General*

16th February, 2017

**AN ACT to amend the Non-Governmental Organisations Act, Chapter 315 of the Substantive Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2011, to make further provision for the recognition of the status of registered Non-Governmental Organisations; and to provide for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.**

*(Gazetted 25th February, 2017.)*

***BE IT ENACTED, by and with the advice and consent of the House of Representatives and Senate of Belize and by the authority of the same, as follows:***

1. This Act may be cited as the

Short title and  
construction.

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and shall be read and construed as one with the Non-Governmental Organisations Act, which as amended, is hereinafter referred to as the principal Act.

Repeal and replacement of section 4.

2. Section 4 of the principal Act is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:

“Entitlements of registered Non-Governmental Organisations.

4. (1) No entity other than a Non-Governmental Organisation registered under this Act is entitled to,

- (a) either on its own account or in association with any other person, represent the interests of Non-Governmental Organisations; or
- (b) enjoy any tax benefits provided under this Act.

(2) Subsection (1) (a) is not to be construed as limiting the effect of section 20.”.