

BELIZE:

NATIONAL LANDS (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2017
ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

1. Short title.
2. Repeal and replacement of section 3.



No. 6 of 2017

I assent,

(SIR COLVILLE N. YOUNG)
Governor-General

1st February, 2017

AN ACT to amend the National Lands Act, Chapter 191 of the Substantive Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2011; to make provision, in the interest of administrative and operational efficiency, for the responsible Minister to delegate certain functions to any Minister of State appointed to assist the Minister or to the Commissioner or any other senior officer of the Ministry responsible for lands; and to provide for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

(Gazetted 4th 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

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construction.

NATIONAL LANDS (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2017,

and shall be read and construed as one with the National Lands Act, which as amended, is hereinafter referred to as the principal Act.

Repeal and replacement of section 3.

2. The principal Act is amended by repealing section 3 and replacing it with the following –

Minister may delegate specified functions.

3. (1) The Minister may, from time to time by Order published in the Gazette, delegate to either any Minister of State appointed to assist the Minister, or to the Commissioner or any other senior officer of the Ministry responsible for Lands, his authority to carry out any of the functions under the provisions of this Act, other than those specified in subsection (4).

(2) A delegation under subsection (1) is revocable by the Minister and the delegation of the performance of a function shall not preclude its performance by the Minister.

(3) The provisions of this Act shall apply in relation to a function delegated under this section as they would apply where the function is performed by the Minister.

(4) The specified provisions are sections 5(2), 23, and 44.

(5) The provisions of this section shall apply notwithstanding the provisions of section 59 of the Interpretation Act (power to delegate authority).