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BILL No. 17 of 2008

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The following Bill which will be introduced in the National Assembly is published for general information.

S. E. Isaacs,
Clerk of the National Assembly.



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SUMMARY JURISDICTION (OFFENCES) (AMENDMENT) BILL 2008

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

SECTION

1. Short title.
2. Insertion of new section 174 B in the Principal Act.

A BILL
Intituled

AN ACT to amend the Summary Jurisdiction (Offences) Act to prohibit the playing of music in a motorbus or hire car.

A. D. 2008

Enacted by the Parliament of Guyana:-

Short title.
Cap. 8:02

1. This Act, which amends the Summary Jurisdiction (Offences) Act, may be cited as the Summary Jurisdiction (Offences) (Amendment) Act 2008.

Insertion of
new section
174A in the
Principal
Act.

2. The Principal Act is amended by inserting immediately after section 174A the following section as section 174B-

"Prohibition of
the playing of
music in a
motorbus or
hire car.

174B. (1) A driver of a motorbus or hire car shall not play or allow anyone to play any music in the motorbus or hire car whilst the motorbus or hire car is plying its route or parked in a public place.

(2) A driver of a motorbus or hire car who contravenes subsection (1) commit an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of not less than seven thousand five hundred dollars nor more than fifteen thousand dollars and to imprisonment for six months and on a second or subsequent conviction to a fine of not less than ten thousand dollars nor more than twenty thousand dollars and to imprisonment for twelve months.

- (3) In this section -
- (a) "hire car" means a motor car used or intended to be used for carrying not more than seven passengers for hire or reward -
- (i) under a contract express or implied for use of the vehicle as a whole; or
 - (ii) at separate fares stage by stage or stopping to pick up or set down passengers along the line of route;
- (b) "motorbus" means a motor vehicle constructed and used for carrying not less than eight passengers for hire or reward -
- (i) under a contract express or implied for use of the vehicle as a whole; or
 - (ii) at separate fares stage by stage or stopping to pickup or set down passengers along the line of route."

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend the Summary Jurisdiction (Offences) Act, Cap. 8:02, by inserting a new section as section 174B, which prohibits a driver of a motorbus or hire car to play or allow to play any music in the motorbus or hire car whilst the motorbus or hire car is plying its route or parked in a public place. Failure to comply with the provision is an offence punishable by a fine of not less than seven thousand five hundred dollars nor more than fifteen thousand dollars and imprisonment for six months. A second or subsequent conviction is punishable by a fine of not less than ten thousand dollars nor more than twenty thousand dollars and imprisonment for twelve months.



Minister of Home Affairs.