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GUYANA

BILL No. 13 of 1997

IMMIGRATION (AMENDMENT) BILL 1997

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

SECTION

- 1. Short title
- 2. Amendment of section 6 of the Principal Act.
- 3. Amendment of section 10 of the Principal Act.
- 4. Amendment of section 34 of the Principal Act.

A BILL

Intituled

AN ACT to amend the Immigration Act.

A. D: 1997

Enacted by the Parliament of Guyana:-

Short title. Cap. 14:02 1. This Act, which amends the Immigration Act, may be cited as the Immigration (Amendment) Act 1997.

Amendment of section 6 of the Principal Act. 2. Section 6 of the Principal Act is hereby amended by the substitution in subsection (5) for the words "one thousand" of the words "twenty-five thousand".

Amendment of section 10 of the Principal Act. 3. Section 10 of the Principal Act is hereby amended by the substitution in subsection (6) for the words "two hundred and fifty" of the words "twenty thousand".

Amendment of section 34 of the Principal Act.

4. Section 34 of the Principal Act is hereby amended by the substitution in subsection (1) for the words "five hundred" of the words "thirty thousand".

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

The Bill seeks to amend the existing fines imposed on persons convicted under the Immigration Act, Cap. 14:02. The amendments have been necessitated by reason of hyperinflation and the falling value of the Guyanese currency and thereby making the fines inadequate. The Bill is, therefore, designed to effect increases in the fines for such fines to be commensurate with the economic realities of the country.

F. Mohamed, Minister of Home Affairs