

BILL No. 19 of 1998

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F. A. Narain,
Clerk of the National Assembly.



GUYANA

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MOTOR VEHICLES AND ROAD TRAFFIC (AMENDMENT) BILL 1998

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

SECTION

1. Short title.
2. Amendment of the Principal Act.

A BILL
Intituled

AN ACT to amend the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Act.

A.D. 1998. Enacted by the Parliament of Guyana:-

Short title. 1. This Act, which amends the Motor
Cap 51:02 Vehicles and Road Traffic Act, may be cited as the
Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic (Amendment) Act
1998.

Amendment of the Principal Act. 2. The sections of the Principal Act mentioned in the first column of the Schedule are hereby amended in the manner specified in the corresponding entry in the second column of the Schedule.

SCHEDULE S.2

FIRST COLUMN SECTIONS	SECOND COLUMN AMENDMENTS
Section 16	In subsection (4), for "five thousand dollars" substitute "not less than five thousand dollars nor more than ten thousand dollars".
Section 22	In subsection (1), for "ten thousand dollars" substitute "not less than ten thousand dollars nor more than twenty thousand dollars" and for "twenty thousand dollars" substitute "not less than twenty thousand dollars nor more than forty thousand dollars".
Section 31	In subsection (5), for "six months" substitute "twelve months" and for "twenty-five thousand dollars" substitute "not less than twenty-five thousand dollars nor more than fifty thousand dollars".

FIRST COLUMN SECTIONS	SECOND COLUMN AMENDMENTS
Section 32	In subsection (4), for "twenty thousand dollars" substitute "not less than twenty thousand dollars nor more than forty thousand dollars" and for "three months" substitute "six months".
Section 34	In subsection (5), for "seven thousand five hundred dollars" substitute "not less than seven thousand five hundred dollars nor more than fifteen thousand dollars", for "fifteen thousand dollars" substitute "not less than fifteen thousand dollars nor more than thirty thousand dollars" and for "three months" substitute "six months".
Section 35	In subsection (1), for "five years" substitute "ten years".
Section 36	<p>(a) In subsection (1)(a), for "twenty-five thousand dollars" substitute "not less than twenty-five thousand dollars nor more than fifty thousand dollars", for "six months" substitute "twelve months", for "thirty-five thousand dollars" substitute "not less than thirty-five thousand dollars nor more than seventy thousand dollars" and for "six months" substitute "twelve months".</p> <p>(b) In subsection (1)(b), for "fifty thousand dollars" substitute "not less than fifty thousand dollars nor more than one hundred thousand dollars" and for "two years" substitute "four years".</p>
Section 38	In subsection (1), for "twenty thousand dollars" substitute "not less than twenty thousand dollars nor more than forty thousand dollars" and for "three months" substitute "six months".

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Section 32	In subsection (4), for "twenty thousand dollars" substitute "not less than twenty thousand dollars nor more than forty thousand dollars" and for "three months" substitute "six months".
Section 34	In subsection (5), for "seven thousand five hundred dollars" substitute "not less than seven thousand five hundred dollars nor more than fifteen thousand dollars", for "fifteen thousand dollars" substitute "not less than fifteen thousand dollars nor more than thirty thousand dollars" and for "three months" substitute "six months".
Section 35	In subsection (1), for "five years" substitute "ten years".
Section 36	<p>(a) In subsection (1)(a), for "twenty-five thousand dollars" substitute "not less than twenty-five thousand dollars nor more than fifty thousand dollars", for "six months" substitute "twelve months", for "thirty-five thousand dollars" substitute "not less than thirty-five thousand dollars nor more than seventy thousand dollars" and for "six months" substitute "twelve months".</p> <p>(b) In subsection (1)(b), for "fifty thousand dollars" substitute "not less than fifty thousand dollars nor more than one hundred thousand dollars" and for "two years" substitute "four years".</p>
Section 38	In subsection (1), for "twenty thousand dollars" substitute "not less than twenty thousand dollars nor more than forty thousand dollars" and for "three months" substitute "six months".

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Section 58	For "ten thousand dollars" substitute "not less than ten thousand dollars nor more than twenty thousand dollars" and for "fifteen thousand dollars" substitute "not less than fifteen thousand dollars nor more than thirty thousand dollars".
Section 61	For "seven thousand five hundred dollars" substitute "not less than seven thousand five hundred dollars nor more than fifteen thousand dollars".
Section 77	In subsection (3), for "five hundred dollars" substitute "not less than twenty thousand dollars nor more than forty thousand dollars".
Section 81	In subsection (4), for "fifteen thousand dollars" substitute "not less than fifteen thousand dollars nor more than thirty thousand dollars".
Section 103	In subsection (3), for "not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars" substitute "not exceeding thirty thousand dollars".
Section 107	For "fifteen thousand dollars" substitute "not less than fifteen thousand dollars nor more than thirty thousand dollars" and for "three months" substitute "six months".
Section 108	<p data-bbox="471 1343 957 1499">(a) In subsection (1)(a), for "twenty thousand dollars" substitute "not less than twenty thousand dollars nor more than forty thousand dollars" and for "six months" substitute "twelve months".</p> <p data-bbox="471 1524 957 1682">(b) In subsection (1)(b), for "thirty thousand dollars" substitute "not less than thirty thousand dollars nor more than sixty thousand dollars" and for "twelve months" substitute "two years".</p>

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	(c) In the proviso to subsection (4) for "ten thousand dollars" substitute "not less than ten thousand dollars" nor more than twenty thousand dollars" and for "six months" substitute "twelve months".
Section 110	For "twelve months" substitute "two years".
Section 113	(a) In subsection (2), for "five thousand dollars" substitute "not less than five thousand dollars nor more than ten thousand dollars" and for "ten thousand dollars" substitute "not less than ten thousand dollars nor more than twenty thousand dollars". (b) In subsection (3), for "twenty thousand dollars" substitute "not less than twenty thousand dollars nor more than forty thousand dollars".

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

The Act which this Bill amends was amended in 1997 to increase penalties. It is now being further amended to provide for a minimum benchmark for each offence and to increase custodial sentences.

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Minister of Legal Affairs