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An Act to amend the Magistrates Protection Act, Chap. 6:03

THE MAGISTRATES PROTECTION (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2018

Explanatory Notes

(These notes form no part of the Bill but are intended only to indicate its general purport)

This Bill seeks to amend the Magistrates Protection Act, Chap. 6:03.

Clause 1 would provide for the short title of the Act.

Clause 2 of the Bill would provide for the interpretation of the word "Act".

Clause 3 owould amend section 4 to provide that no action shall be brought against a Magistrate for any act done by him in the execution of his office in relation to a matter within his jurisdiction.

Clause 4 would amend section 5(1) to provide that an action against a Magistrate for any act done in a matter not within his jurisdiction, or in excess of his jurisdiction can only be maintained where it is alleged and proved that the act was done maliciously and without reasonable and probable cause.

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Arrangement of Clauses

Clause

- 1. Short title
- 2. Interpretation
- 3. Section 4 amended
- 4. Section 5 amended

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 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{ENACTED}}$ by the Parliament of Trinidad and Tobago as $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Enactment}}$ follows:

1. This Act may be cited as the Magistrates short title Protection (Amendment) Act, 2018.

Interpretation Chap. 6:03

2. In this Act, "the Act" means the Magistrates Protection Act.

Section 4 amended

3. Section 4 of the Act is repealed and the following section is substituted:

"Immunity for acts within jurisdiction 4. No action shall be brought against a Magistrate for any act done by him in the execution of his office in relation to a matter within his jurisdiction."

Section 5 amended

- 4. Section 5 of the Act is amended—
 - (a) in the marginal note, by deleting the words ", malice need not be alleged" and substituting the words "and malice is alleged and proved"; and
 - (b) repealing subsection (1) and substituting the following subsection:
 - " (5)(1) A person may maintain an action against a Magistrate for any act done in a matter not within his jurisdiction or in excess of his jurisdiction, where it is alleged and proved that the act was done maliciously and without reasonable and probable cause."

Passed in the Senate this day of 2018.

Clerk of the Senate

I confirm the above.

Passed in the House of Representatives this $$\operatorname{day}$$ of $$\operatorname{,}\;2018.$

Clerk of the House

I confirm the above.

Speaker

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