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Fifth Session Eleventh Parliament Republic of  
Trinidad and Tobago

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REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

**Act No. 8 of 2020**

[L.S.]

AN ACT to amend the Constitution (Prescribed Matters)  
Act, Chap. 1:02, the Interpretation Act, Chap. 3:01  
and the Judicial and Legal Service Act, Chap. 6:01

*[Assented to 26th March, 2020]*

ENACTED by the Parliament of Trinidad and Tobago as Enactment  
follows:

1. This Act may be cited as the Short title Miscellaneous Provisions (Age of Retirement of Judges, Interpretation and Chief Judicial Officers) Act, 2020.

Chap. 1:02 amended **2.** The Constitution (Prescribed Matters) Act is amended by inserting after section 3, the following section:

“Retirement  
age of a  
Judge      3A. The age at which a Judge is required  
to vacate his office under section 136(1) of  
the Constitution is seventy years.”.

Chap. 3:01 amended **3.** Section 63 of the Interpretation Act is amended by deleting the words “five hundred dollars” and substituting the words “one hundred thousand dollars and a term of imprisonment not exceeding five years”.

Chap. 6:01 amended **4.** The Judicial and Legal Service Act is amended—  
(a) in section 2, by inserting after the definition of “Chief Legal Officer”, the following definition:

“ “Chief Judicial Officer” means a  
Master of the High Court, the  
Chief Magistrate, the Registrar  
and Marshal or the Court  
Executive Administrator;”;

(b) in section 15—

(i) in subsection (1)(a), by deleting the words “the Masters of the High Court, the Chief Magistrate and the Registrar and Marshal” and substituting the words “a Chief Judicial Officer”; and

(ii) by inserting after subsection (1A), the following subsection:

“ (1B) The terms and conditions of service of Chief Judicial Officers shall be equivalent to those of Chief Legal Officers.”.

Passed in the House of Representatives this 4th day  
of March, 2020.

**J. SAMPSON-MEIGUEL**

*Clerk of the House*

Passed in the Senate this 17th day of March, 2020.

**B. CAESAR**

*Clerk of the Senate*

Senate amendments were agreed to by the House of  
Representatives this 25th day of March, 2020.

**J. SAMPSON-MEIGUEL**

*Clerk of the House*