

BELIZE:

PUBLIC HEALTH (AMENDMENT) (NO. 3) ACT, 2021

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

1. Short title.
2. Amendment of long title, etc.
3. Substitution of term.
4. Repeal and replacement of section 3.



No. 31 of 2021

I assent,

(H.E. MS. FROYLA TZALAM)

Governor-General

11th November 2021

AN ACT to amend the Public Health Act Chapter 40 of the Substantive Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2011; to provide for the change of name of the Public Health Act to the Public Health (Reform) Act; and to provide for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

(Gazetted 11th November, 2021)

BE IT ENACTED, by and with the advice and consent of the House of Representatives and Senate of Belize and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. This Act may be cited as the

Short title.

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ACT, 2021,**

CAP. 40.
2 of 2021.
11 of 2021.

and shall be read and construed as one with the Public Health Act, which, as amended, is hereinafter referred to as the principal Act.

Amendment of
long title, etc.

2. The principal Act is amended as follows—

- (a) in its long title, by deleting the words “Public Health Act” and substituting the words “Public Health (Reform) Act”;
- (b) in Schedule II, by deleting the words “Public Health Act” and substituting the words “Public Health (Reform) Act”;
- (c) in Schedule VIII, by deleting the words “Public Health Act” and substituting the words “Public Health (Reform) Act”;
- (d) in Schedule IX, by deleting the words “Public Health Act” and substituting the words “Public Health (Reform) Act”.

Substitution
of term.

3. The principal Act is amended by deleting the term “Director of Health Services” wherever it appears and substituting the term “Director of Public Health and Wellness”.

Repeal and
replacement
of section 3.

4. The principal Act is amended by repealing section 3 and replacing it with the following—

“Appointment
of Director of
Public Health
and Wellness,
medical
officers and
public health
inspectors.
CAP. 4.

3.—(1) The Public Services Commission may, pursuant to section 106 of the Belize Constitution, appoint—

- (a) a Director of Public Health and Wellness;
- (b) medical officers of health;

- (c) a Principal Health Inspector and such other public health inspectors as may be necessary; and
- (d) such other officers as may be necessary to discharge the functions and duties prescribed by this Act or the regulations.

CAP. 39.

(2) A Medical Officer appointed under the Medical Service and Institutions Act shall be a health officer for Belize, unless provided otherwise under any law.”.