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(Bill No. 14 of 2024)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT OF THE OBJECTS OF AND REASONS FOR THE BILL

The object of this Bill is to amend the Wild Animals and Birds Protection Act, Cap 247 to revise the penalties provided under the Act in order to increase the fines and term of imprisonment.

Dated this 15th day of July, 2024.

FLAVIEN JOUBERT
MINISTER FOR AGRICULTURE, CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENT
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A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE WILD ANIMALS AND BIRDS PROTECTION ACT, CAP 247.

ENACTED by the President and the National Assembly.

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the Wild Animals and Birds Protection (Amendment) Act, 2024.
Amendment of section 3

2. The Wild Animals and Birds Protection Act, Cap 247, is amended by repealing subsection (1) of section 3 and substituting it with the following —

“(1) Any person guilty of an offence against any regulation made under this Act shall, on conviction, be liable to a penalty prescribed by regulation or where no such penalty is so prescribed, to a fine not less than SCR25,000 and not exceeding SCR1,000,000 or to imprisonment not exceeding 7 years or to both such fine and imprisonment.”.