No. 3 - 2012

I assent,

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(Sgd) P. L. allen Governor-General. 24th May, 2012

AN ACT to Amend the Standards Act.

[24th May, 2012.]
BE IT ENACTED by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and

with the advice and consent of the Senate and the House of Representatives of Jamaica, and by the authority of the same, as follows:-

1. This Act may be cited as the Standards (Amendment) Act, short title and 2012, and shall be read and construed as one with the Standards construction. Act (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act) and all amendments thereto.

Amendment of section 11 of principal Act.

- 2. Section 11 of the principal Act is amended—
 - (a) by renumbering the section as subsection (1) of the section;
 - (b) in subsection (1) as renumbered—
 - (i) by deleting the semicolon at the end of paragraph (j) and substituting therefor a full stop;
 - (ii) by deleting paragraph (k); and
 - (c) by inserting the following as subsection (2)—
 - " (2) Regulations made under this section may prescribe greater penalties than those specified in section 29 of the Interpretation Act, and the maximum penalty that may be so prescribed shall be a fine not exceeding three million dollars or imprisonment for a term not exceeding twelve months or both such fine and imprisonment."

Amendment of sections 12 and 13 of principal Act. 3. Sections 12 (1) and 13 (5) of the principal Act are respectively amended by deleting all the words appearing after the words "a fine", wherever they appear, and substituting therefor in each case the words "not exceeding three million dollars or a term not exceeding twelve months or both such fine and imprisonment".

Insertion of new section 17 in principal Act. 4. The principal Act is amended by inserting next after section 16 the following—

"Minister may by order amend monetary penalty.

17. The Minister may by order, subject to affirmative resolution, amend any monetary penalty specified in this Act.".

Passed in the House of Representatives this 1st day of May, 2012.

LLOYD B. SMITH Deputy Speaker.

Passed in the Senate this 4th day of May, 2012.

STANLEY ST. J. REDWOOD President.

This printed impression has been carefully compared by me with the authenticated impression of the foregoing Act, and has been found by me to be a true and correct printed copy of the said Act.

Clerk to the Houses of Parliament.