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AN ACT to Amend the Road Traffic (Reprieve and  
Nullification of Prescribed Notices) Act.

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BE IT ENACTED by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Representatives of Jamaica, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

**1.** This Act may be cited as the Road Traffic (Reprieve and Nullification of Prescribed Notices) (Amendment) Act, 2024, and shall be read and construed as one with the Road Traffic (Reprieve and Nullification of Prescribed Notices) Act (hereinafter referred to as the “principal Act”) and all amendments thereto.

Short title  
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struction.

Amendment of section 2 of principal Act.

**2.** Section 2 of the principal Act is amended by deleting the definition of the term “outstanding traffic penalty” and substituting therefor the following—

““outstanding traffic penalty” means—

- (a) the fixed penalty in respect of an offence to which section 116 of the Road Traffic Act, 1938, relates that would have been payable, pursuant to a prescribed notice issued during the period commencing on February 1, 2018, and ending on January 31, 2023, before the end of twenty-one days following the date of the notice or such longer period (if any) as may be specified in the notice; or
- (b) any monetary penalty imposed by the Traffic Court or any Parish Court, that becomes due for payment in relation to the offence that led to the prescribed notice referred to in paragraph (a) being issued;”.

Amendment of section 4 of principal Act.

**3.** Section 4 of the principal Act is amended in subsection (1) by inserting immediately after the words “Traffic Court” the words “or any Parish Court”.

Repeal and replacement of section 6 of principal Act.

**4.** Section 6 of the principal Act is repealed and replaced by the following—

“Nullification of prescribed notice issued before February 1, 2018, and charge of offences from such prescribed notice.

**6.** The following are hereby rendered void and of no effect—

- (a) any prescribed notice issued before February 1, 2018, for which payment of an outstanding penalty has not been made; and
- (b) any charge for an offence that arose from failure to pay a prescribed notice issued before February 1, 2018, if the charge was not determined by a court on or before January 31, 2023.

MEMORANDUM OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

This Bill seeks to make minor amendments to the Road Traffic (Reprieve and Nullification of Prescribed Notices) Act, in order to ensure its accurate and efficient use.

DARYL VAZ  
Minister of Science, Energy,  
Telecommunications and Transport.

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