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Bill No. 9 Traffic and Road Safety (Amendment) Bill

2023

THE TRAFFIC AND ROAD SAFETY (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2023

MEMORANDUM

The object of this Bill is to amend the Traffic and Road Safety Act, Cap. 361 to replace reference to "badge" in the Act with "professional driving permit"; to provide for a speed limit in the Act to ease the control of speed limit through the express penalty scheme as opposed to court prosecution as provided for under the Roads Act, 2019; and to repeal section 52 of the Roads Act, 2019.

GEN. EDWARD KATUMBA WAMALA, Minister of Works and Transport.

A Bill for an Act

ENTITLED

THE TRAFFIC AND ROAD SAFETY (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2023

An Act to amend the Traffic and Road Safety Act, Cap. 361 to amend the Traffic and Road Safety Act, Cap. 361 to replace reference to "badge" in the Act with "professional driving permit"; to provide for a speed limit in the Act to ease the control of the speed limit through the express penalty scheme as opposed to court prosecution as provided for under the Roads Act, 2019; and to repeal section 52 of the Roads Act, 2019.

BE IT ENACTED by Parliament as follows:

1. Commencement

This Act shall come into force on 1st July, 2023.

2. Amendment of Cap. 361

The Traffic and Road Safety Act, in this Act referred to as the principal Act is amended in section 70A (2) (ii) by substituting for the word "badge" the words "professional driving permit".

3. Insertion of section 119A in principal Act

The principal Act is amended by inserting immediately after section 119 the following—

"119A. Speed limit

- (1) The Minister may, by regulations, prescribe speed limits in respect of all public roads or sections of public roads.
- (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, the Minister may, by statutory order, prescribe temporary maximum speed limits for motor vehicles, trailers or engineering plant of different classes or descriptions on any part of any road for such period as may be specified in the order.
- (3) A person who fails to comply with a speed limit set under subsection (1) commits an offence and is liable, on conviction, to a fine not exceeding one hundred currency points or imprisonment not exceeding three years, or both."

4. Amendment of the Roads Act, 2019

The Roads Act, 2019 is amended by repealing section 52.