

THE TRAFFIC AND ROAD SAFETY ACT (AMENDMENT)
BILL, 2021

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A Bill for an Act

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**THE TRAFFIC AND ROAD SAFETY (AMENDMENT)
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An Act to amend the Traffic and Road Safety Act 1998, Cap. 361 to provide for a licence payable for possession of a motor vehicle; to introduce an annual licence fee for all motor vehicles; to repeal the Third Schedule of the Act and to repeal section 1 and the First Schedule to the Finance Act, 2006.

BE IT ENACTED by Parliament as follows:

1. Commencement

This Act shall be deemed to have come into force on 1st July, 2021.

2. Amendment of Cap. 361

The Traffic and Road Safety Act, 1998, Cap. 361 in this Act referred to as the principal Act is amended by inserting immediately after section 14 the following—

“14A. Licence for possession of motor vehicle

(1) A person shall not own or possess a motor vehicle, trailer or engineering plant or use it on a road, unless the motor vehicle, trailer or engineering plant is licensed under this Act.

(2) An application for a licence for a motor vehicle, trailer or engineering plant shall be made to the chief licensing officer in the manner prescribed by regulations.

(3) A licence granted under subsection (1), shall be valid until revoked.

(4) A person who contravenes subsection (1) commits an offence and is liable, on conviction, to a fine not exceeding one hundred currency points or imprisonment for a term not exceeding one year or both.

14B. Annual fees

(1) A person who owns or possess a motor vehicle, trailer or engineering plant or uses it on a road, shall pay an annual on or before the 31st day of January of every year, as may be prescribed by the Minister by regulations.

(2) Where a person fails to pay a prescribed annual fee before or on the date specified in subsection (1) shall pay a penalty of ten currency points for each day on which the contravention continues; and

(3) The unpaid annual fee and any penalty payable under this section, shall be a debt due to the Government by the defaulter.”

3. Repeal of Third Schedule to the principal Act

The principal Act is amended by repealing the Third Schedule.

4. Amendment of Finance Act, 2006

The Finance Act, 2006, Act 32 of 2006 is amended —

- (a) by repealing section 1; and
- (b) by repealing First Schedule.