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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

BILL

**AN ACT to amend the Freedom of Information Act,
No. 26 of 1999**

THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2001

Explanatory Note

(These notes form no part of the Bill but are intended only to indicate its general purport)

The purpose of this Bill is to amend the definition of Minister to provide that the Minister with general responsibility for giving effect to the Act for which this is the Bill is the Minister with responsibility for information.

The Bill also seeks to remove any doubt that the Minister who is authorised to certify documents relating to national security is the Minister to whom responsibility for national security is assigned.

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ENACTED by the Parliament of Trinidad and Tobago as Enactment
follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the Freedom of Short title
Information (Amendment) Act, 2001.

Act No. 26 of 1999
amended

2. The Freedom of Information Act is amended—

(a) in section 3 by deleting the definition of “Minister” and substituting the following new definition:

“Minister” means the Minister of Government to whom responsibility for information is assigned;”;

(b) in section 25 by inserting after the word “Minister”, occurring in subsection (3), the words “responsible for national security”.

Passed in the House of Representatives this day
of , 2001.

Clerk of the House

I confirm the above.

Speaker

Passed in the Senate this day of , 2001.

Clerk of the Senate

I confirm the above.

President of the Senate

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