

THE LAND ACQUISITION (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2005

Explanatory Note

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

The main purpose of the Bill is to amend section 2 of the Land Acquisition Act, 1994 (Act No. 28 of 1994), to allow the State to compulsorily acquire private lands for the purpose of providing public sector housing.

Clause 1 seeks to provide the short title of this Act, for which this is the Bill.

Clause 2 seeks to amend section 2 of the Act to expand the use of the term “public purposes” to include the acquisition of private lands for the purpose of providing public sector housing.

A BILL

AN ACT to amend the Land Acquisition Act, 1994

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

Short title 1. This Act may be cited as the Land Acquisition (Amendment) Act, 2005.

Section 2 amended Act No. 28 of 1994 2. Section 2 of the Land Acquisition Act, 1994 is amended by deleting subsection (3) and substituting the following subsection:

“(3) For the purposes of this Act “public purposes” includes -

- (a) the purpose of fulfilling any obligation of the State under any treaty or agreement made by the Government with the Government of any other country, territory or place, and any purpose pertaining or ancillary thereto; or
- (b) the acquisition of land for the purpose of providing public sector housing.”.

Passed in the House of Representative this day of , 2005.

Clerk of the House

I confirm the above

Speaker

Passed in the Senate this day of , 2005.

Clerk of the Senate

I confirm the above.

President of the Senate.