



REPUBLIC OF NAURU

OATHS, AFFIRMATIONS AND STATUTORY DECLARATIONS (AMENDMENT) BILL 2020

No. of 2020

A Bill for an Act to amend the *Oaths, Affirmations and Statutory Declarations Act 1976*.

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Enacted by the Parliament of Nauru as follows:

1 Short title

This Act may be cited as the *Oaths, Affirmations and Statutory Declarations (Amendment) Act 2020*.

2 Commencement

This Act commences on certification of the Speaker.

3 Amendment of the Oaths, Affirmations and Statutory Declarations Act 1976

The *Oaths, Affirmations and Statutory Declarations Act 1976* is amended by the provisions of this Act.

4 Amendment of Section 4

Section 4 is deleted and substituted as follows:

‘4 Oath of witness in judicial proceeding

(1) The oath to be taken by a witness in any judicial proceeding may be taken:

- (a) in open court;
- (b) as the court may direct; or
- (c) as prescribed by rules, to be made by the Chief Justice.

(2) For the purposes of subsection (1), the form of the oath is in Schedule 2.

(3) Where a witness is required to testify through audio visual link, the witness shall take the form of the oath in Schedule 2.’

5 Amendment of Section 5

Subsection (1) is deleted and substituted as follows:

‘(1) Subject to subsection (2), an interpreter in any judicial proceeding shall take oath:

- (a) in open court;
- (b) as the court may direct; or
- (c) as prescribed by rules, to be made by the Chief Justice.’