THE DRUG OFFENCES (FORFEITURE OF PROCEEDS) ACT

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Acts 16 of 1994, 29 of 1996, 18 of 2005 2nd Sch.

[15th August, 1994.]

PART I. Preliminary

1. This Act may be cited as the Drug Offences (Forfeiture of Short title. Proceeds) Act.

2.—(1) In this Act—

Interpretation.

- "benefit" includes any property, service or advantage whether direct or indirect;
- "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Police;
- "constable" means a member of the Jamaica Constabulary Force;
- "forfeiture order" means an order made under section 7;
- "interest" in relation to property, means-
 - (a) a legal or equitable interest in the property; or
 - (b) a right, power or privilege in connection with property;
- "pecuniary penalty order" means an order made under section 14;
- "prescribed offence" means an offence specified in the Schedule;

Schedule.

- "property" includes money and all other property, real or personal, including things in action and other intangible or incorporeal property;
- "realizable property" means, subject to subsection (2) (b)—
 - (a) any property held by a person who has been convicted of or charged with, a prescribed offence; and

- (b) any property held by a person to whom a person so convicted or charged has directly or indirectly made a gift caught by this Act;
- "relevant application period" in relation to a person's conviction of a prescribed offence, means the period of six months after the day on which the person was convicted of the offence:
- "restraint order" means an order made pursuant to section 28:
- "tainted property" in relation to a prescribed offence,
 - (a) property used in, or in connection with, the commission of the offence; or
 - (b) property derived, obtained or realized directly or indirectly by the person convicted from the commission of the offence.
 - (2) For the purposes of this Act—
- (a) a reference to a benefit derived or obtained by, or otherwise accruing to, a person ("A") includes a reference to a benefit derived or obtained by, or otherwise accruing to, another person at A's request or direction:
- (b) property is not realizable property if—
 - (i) there is in force in respect of that property a forfeiture order under this Act or under any other enactment;
 - (ii) a forfeiture order is proposed to be made against that property under this Act or any other enactment;
- (c) property is held by a person if he has any interest in it.

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