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THE SMALL CLAIMS COURT (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2020

A Bill for

AN ACT of Parliament to amend the Small Claims Court Act

ENACTED by the Parliament of Kenya, as follows—

1. This Act may be cited as the Small Claims Court (Amendment) Act, 2020.

Short title

2. Section 12 of the Small Claims Court Act, 2016, hereinafter referred to as the "principal Act", is amended in sub-section (3) by deleting the words "two hundred thousand shillings" and substituting therefor the words "one million shillings".

Amendment of section 12 of No.2 of 2016.

3. Section 20 of the principal Act is amended—

Amendment of section 20 of No.2 of 2016.

- (a) by deleting sub-section (2); and
- (b) in sub-section (3), by inserting the words "where the representative is not a legal practitioner" immediately after the words "under sub-section (1)".
- **4.** Section 34 of the principal Act is amended by deleting sub-section (3) and substituting therefor the following new sub-section—

Amendment of section 34 of No.2 of 2016.

"(3) The Court may allow up to three adjournments of the hearing of any matter on reasonable grounds which shall be recorded and may, in exceptional circumstances, allow other adjournments."