

ACT NO. 9 OF 2020

I assent.

J. K. KONROTE
President

[27 March 2020]

AN ACT**TO AMEND THE PUBLIC HEALTH ACT 1935**

ENACTED by the Parliament of the Republic of Fiji—

Short title and commencement

1.—(1) This Act may be cited as the Public Health (COVID-19 Response) (Amendment) Act 2020.

(2) This Act comes into force on a date or dates appointed by the Minister by notice in the Gazette.

(3) In this Act, the Public Health Act 1935 is referred to as the “Principal Act”.

Section 69 amended

2. Section 69(5)(b) of the Principal Act is amended by deleting “to a fine not exceeding \$40” and substituting “on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$10,000 or imprisonment for a term not exceeding 5 years or both”.

Section 70 amended

3. Section 70 of the Principal Act is amended by deleting “unless it is otherwise prescribed to a fine not exceeding \$40 and in the case of a continuing offence to a further fine not exceeding \$40 for every day on which the offence is continued after conviction under this section” and substituting “on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$10,000 or imprisonment for a term not exceeding 5 years or both”.

Section 71 amended

4. Section 71(2) of the Principal Act is amended by deleting “to a fine not exceeding \$40” and substituting “on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$10,000 or imprisonment for a term not exceeding 5 years or both”.

Section 74 amended

5. Section 74(1) of the Principal Act is amended by deleting “to a fine not exceeding \$20” and substituting “on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$10,000 or imprisonment for a term not exceeding 5 years or both”.

Section 75 amended

6. Section 75(1) of the Principal Act is amended by deleting “to a fine not exceeding \$20” and substituting “on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$10,000 or imprisonment for a term not exceeding 5 years or both”.

Section 76 amended

7. Section 76(2) of the Principal Act is amended by deleting “to a fine not exceeding \$20” and substituting “on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$10,000 or imprisonment for a term not exceeding 5 years or both”.

Section 77 amended

8. Section 77 of the Principal Act is amended by deleting “to a fine not exceeding \$40” and substituting “on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$10,000 or imprisonment for a term not exceeding 5 years or both”.

Section 83 amended

9. Section 83(2) of the Principal Act is amended by deleting “\$200 or a term of imprisonment for 6 months” and substituting “\$10,000 or imprisonment for a term of 5 years or both”.

Passed by the Parliament of the Republic of Fiji this 27th day of March 2020.