

BILL NO. 3 OF 2026

A BILL

FOR AN ACT TO AMEND THE FIJI NATIONAL UNIVERSITY ACT 2009

ENACTED by the Parliament of the Republic of Fiji—

Short title and commencement

1.—(1) This Act may be cited as the Fiji National University (Amendment) Act 2026.

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

Section 3 amended

2. Section 3 of the Fiji National University Act 2009 is amended in the definition of “Minister” by deleting “tertiary education in the Republic of Fiji” and substituting “the administration of this Act”.

March 2026

FIJI NATIONAL UNIVERSITY (AMENDMENT) BILL 2026

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Bill and is intended only to indicate its general effect)

1.0 BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The Fiji National University (Amendment) Bill 2026 (**‘Bill’**) seeks to introduce legislative amendments to the Fiji National University Act 2009 (**‘Act’**) to give effect to the reassignment of the Fiji National University from the Ministry of Education to the Ministry of Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics.

2.0 CLAUSES

- 2.1 Clause 1 of the Bill provides for the short title and commencement. If passed by Parliament, the amending legislation will come into force on a date appointed by the Minister by notice in the Gazette.
- 2.2 Clause 2 of the Bill amends section 3 of the Act to amend the definition of “Minister” to the Minister responsible for the administration of the Act. The amendment thus removes reference to the Minister responsible for tertiary education.

3.0 MINISTERIAL RESPONSIBILITY

- 3.1 The Act comes under the responsibility of the Minister responsible for the administration of the Act.

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