



St Helena
Government

ST HELENA GOVERNMENT
PUBLIC HOLIDAYS (AMENDMENT) BILL 2023

L.A.B. ON THE TABLE 25th MARCH 2024



ST HELENA

A BILL

FOR

AN ORDINANCE

to amend the Public Holidays Ordinance, 1945, to provide for the official birthday of His Majesty; and for connected and incidental purposes.

Enacted by the Governor of St Helena with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council of St Helena.

Short title, commencement and interpretation

1. (1) This Ordinance may be cited as the Public Holidays (Amendment) Ordinance, 2023, and comes into force on a date or dates fixed by the Governor by Order.

(2) In this Ordinance “the principal Ordinance” means the Public Holidays Ordinance, 1945.

Substitution of the term “Governor in Council”

2. The principal Ordinance is amended by substituting the term “Governor in Council” wherever this term appears with the term “Governor on the advice of the Executive Council”.

Amendment of section 5 - Committee may vary days appointed for public holidays

3. The principal Ordinance is amended by repealing section 5 and substituting the following—

“Directions by Governor

5. The Governor may give directions that any day which is an occasion of national importance is to be observed as a public holiday.”.

Amendment of First Schedule - Public Holidays

4. The principal Ordinance is amended in the First Schedule by repealing the words “The official birthday of Her Majesty the Queen” and substituting the words “Friday following Remembrance Day to celebrate the birthday of His Majesty the King”.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Ordinance)

This Bill would make provision for a public holiday to celebrate the birthday of His Majesty the King and repeal and substitute section 5 of the Ordinance.