

A BILL

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An Act to amend the Armed Forces Act 1972.

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ENACTED by the Parliament of Malaysia as follows:

Short title and commencement

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the Armed Forces Act (Amendment) Act 2024.

(2) This Act comes into operation on a date to be appointed by the Minister by notification in the *Gazette*.

Amendment of section 109

2. The Armed Forces Act 1972 [*Act 77*] is amended in subsection 109(2)—

(a) by substituting for the colon at the end of the subsection a full stop; and

(b) by deleting the proviso.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This Bill seeks to amend the Armed Forces Act 1972 (“Act 77”).

2. *Clause 1* contains the short title and the provision on the commencement of the proposed Act.

3. *Clause 2* seeks to delete the proviso to subsection 109(2) of Act 77 consequential to the amendment made to the Evidence of Child Witness Act 2007 [*Act 676*] to insert into the Act the provisions relating to the admissibility of evidence of a child witness given upon oath or otherwise and to allow the Court to convict an accused on the basis of the uncorroborated evidence of a child witness given upon oath or otherwise.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

This Bill will not involve the Government in any extra financial expenditure.

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