



## AMENDMENT TO DIVORCE BILL

## [BILL NO. 3 OF 2024]

## THAT:

1. In clause 1, substitute the definition of "child of the marriage" of the following definition:

"child of the marriage" means -

- (a) a child born to both parties to the marriage, irrespective of whether the child was born before or during marriage;
- (b) a child of both parties to the marriage where that child is conceived during marriage but not born during the time of divorce proceedings;
- (c) a child adopted in terms of the adoption laws by both parties to the marriage; or
- (d) a child of one party to the marriage who has been adopted in terms of the adoption laws by the other party to the marriage;



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2. In Clause 19, substitute the introductory words with the following introductory words –

"At the initiative of the court or on application made by either party to the marriage or by both parties to the marriage jointly, or by any person who can show legitimate interest, the court may make an order—".

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3. In Clause 24, substitute the phrase "Divorce Act, 2024" with the phrase "Dissolution of Marriages Act, 2024".

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4. In Schedule 2, substitute the phrase "Divorce Act" wherever it occurs in that Schedule for the phrase "Dissolution of Marriages Act".