

THE PROTECTION OF ELDERLY PERSONS (AMENDMENT) BILL
(No. XV of 2016)

Explanatory Memorandum

The object of this Bill is to amend the Protection of Elderly Persons Act to enhance the level of protection of, and security to, the elderly.

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ARRANGEMENT OF CLAUSES

Clause

1. Short title
2. Interpretation
3. Section 7 of principal Act amended
4. Section 8 of principal Act amended
5. Section 11 of principal Act amended
6. Schedule added to principal Act

SCHEDULE

A BILL

To amend the Protection of Elderly Persons Act

ENACTED by the Parliament of Mauritius, as follows –

1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the Protection of Elderly Persons (Amendment) Act 2016.

2. Interpretation

In this Act –

“principal Act” means the Protection of Elderly Persons Act.

3. Section 7 of principal Act amended

Section 7 of the principal Act is amended, in subsection (4), by deleting the word “require” and replacing them by the words “issue a summons, in the form set out in the Schedule, to”.

4. Section 8 of principal Act amended

Section 8 of the principal Act is amended, in subsection (4)(a), by deleting the words “7 persons” and replacing them by the words “10 persons”.

5. Section 11 of principal Act amended

Section 11 of the principal Act is amended by adding the following new subsection –

(3) Any person on whom a summons is served under section 7(4) and who fails, without reasonable excuse, to appear at the time and place specified in the summons shall commit an offence and shall, on conviction, be liable to a fine of not less than 5,000 rupees and not exceeding 10,000 rupees and to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months.

6. Schedule added to principal Act

The principal Act is amended by adding the Schedule set out in the Schedule to this Act.

SCHEDULE
[Section 6]

SCHEDULE
[Section 7(4)]

**THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL SECURITY, NATIONAL SOLIDARITY
AND REFORM INSTITUTIONS**

SUMMONS

To

Address

This summons is being issued pursuant to the powers vested in the officer-in-charge of the Elderly Persons' Protection Unit under section 7(4) of the Protection of Elderly Persons Act.

You are hereby summoned to appear in person before the Higher Social Security Officer of at on to provide such written or oral information as may be necessary in relation to a complaint made against you with respect to (elderly person).

TAKE NOTICE that if you fail to appear at the time and place specified in this summons, you shall, on conviction, be liable to a fine of not less than 5,000 rupees and not exceeding 10,000 rupees and to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months.

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Name of officer

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Rank of officer

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Date

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Signature
