Parliament of the Cayman Islands

PRIVATE MEMBER'S MOTION NO. 2 of 2024-2025

Motion to Expunge Criminal Records

WHEREAS the Parliament has the responsibility to make laws for good government;

AND WHEREAS factors of good government include adapting to shifts in societal attitudes, political consensus, as well as equity and fairness;

AND WHEREAS many countries around the world have decriminalized or intend to decriminalize the possession and use of cannabis subject to various criteria being met;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Government considers amending the Criminal Records (Spent Convictions) Act (2018 Revision) to make provision for the expungement of the criminal convictions of those convicted for offenses pursuant to the Misuse of Drugs Act (2017 Revision) specifically in relation to possession of cannabis for an amount equal to one ounce or less for personal use.

Moved By: Mr. Christopher Saunders, MP
Elected Member for Bodden Town West

Seconded By: Hon. Dr. W. McKeeva Bush, JP, (Hon) MSc, MP
Elected Member for West Bay West

Received in the Office of the Clerk this 30th day of September, 2024.

Passed/Rejected by the Parliament of the Cayman Islands this day of 2024.

Clerk of the Parliament