

First Session Fifth Parliament Republic of Trinidad  
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REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

**Act No. 6 of 1996**

[L.S.]

AN ACT to amend the Indictable Offences (Preliminary  
Enquiry) Act, Chap. 12:01

*[Assented to 29th March, 1996]*

ENACTED by the Parliament of Trinidad and Tobago as Enactment  
follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the Indictable Offences Short title  
(Preliminary Enquiry) (Amendment) Act, 1996.

Interpretation  
Chap. 12:01

2. In this Act “the Act” means the Indictable Offences (Preliminary Enquiry) Act.

Section 26A  
inserted

3. The Act is amended by inserting after section 26 the following new section—

“Use of certified copy of depositions 26A. Notwithstanding section 26 (1) and (2) but subject to section 26 (3), where the original deposition or part thereof, or any document mentioned in that section is lost or destroyed, a copy of the deposition or part thereof, or of the document, duly certified by the Clerk of the Peace of the magisterial district in which the preliminary enquiry was held, or by the examining Magistrate shall be regarded as the original deposition or document as the case may be and dealt with as such for purposes of this Act.”

Section 27 amended

4. Section 27 (1) and (2) of the Act is amended by inserting after the words “section 25” in both places where they occur, the words “or section 26A.”

Passed in the House of Representatives this 18th day of March, 1996.

J. SAMPSON  
*Clerk of the House*

Passed in the Senate this 26th day of March, 1996.

N. COX  
*Clerk of the Senate*