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**VIRGIN ISLANDS**  
**EXPLOSIVES (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2021**  
**ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS**

*Section*

1. Short title.
2. Section 2 amended.

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Explosives (Amendment) Act, 2021

Virgin  
Islands

I Assent

Governor.

, 2021

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**A Bill for**

An Act to amend the Explosives Act (Cap.124) and for connected matters.

[Gazetted , 2021]

ENACTED by the Legislature of the Virgin Islands as follows:

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the Explosives (Amendment) Act, 2021.

Section 2  
amended.  
Cap.124

2. Section 2 of the Explosives Act is amended by replacing the definition of “explosives” with the following:

“explosive” includes

- (a) nitro-glycerine, dynamite, gun-cotton, blasting powder, gunpowder, shot and any other substance, mixture or explosive material capable of being used for the purpose of producing an explosion or for use in a firearm;
- (b) any detonating fuse, igniter cord, safety fuse, fuse igniter, detonator or percussion cap and every adaptation or preparation of any explosive;
- (c) any article consisting of a cartridge case fitted with
  - (i) a primer and a projectile; or

- (ii) a primer and containing a propelling charge and a projectile;
- (d) blank cartridges, air gun pellets, training cartridges or gas cartridges;
- (e) any other substance or article which the Minister may from time to time, by Notice published in the *Gazette*, declare to be an explosive;

Passed by the House of Assembly this            day of            , 2021.

Speaker.

Clerk of the House of Assembly.

## **OBJECTS AND REASONS**

This Bill seeks to amend the Explosives Act (Cap 124) (referred to hereinafter as “the principal Act”).

Clause 1 would set out the short title.

Clause 2 would seek to amend section 2 of the principal Act by widening the definition of explosives so that it includes explosive materials which may be used in a firearm or as ammunition, including articles consisting of a cartridge case, blank cartridges or training cartridges.

Minister for Transportation, Works and Utilities.