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ENACTED					
1.	1	MFP	Appropriations Act, 2003	Expenditure 2003/2004	1
2.	2	MFP	Betting, Gaming & Lotteries (Amendment) Act, 2003	(i) Authorise conduct of prize competition in print and electronic media. (ii) Charge fee for processing applications; (iii)Establishment of fund (CHASE) for beneficiaries–monetary contributions to be paid by lottery operators; composition of Board. (iv) Enable the Commission to ensure that the conduct of the race meets are fair and free from criminal influence and infiltration; give Commission the necessary authority to protect both licensee and consumer by strengthening the regulatory framework and the rules governing licensee operations and bolster the industry; enhance the contribution of gaming to the Jamaican economy.	1
3.	3	MFP	Moneylending (Amendment) Act, 2003	To exempt institutions licensed under the Securities Act and the Financial Institutions Act from the provisions of this Act.	1
4.	4	MFP	Pensions (Amendment) Act, 2003	To increase gratuity to dependents of public officers who die on duty — in line with pension benefits for security/police officers killed in line of duty	1
5.	5	MFP	Pensions (Parochial Officers) (Amendment) Act, 2003	To increase gratuity to dependents of parochial officers who die on duty - in line with pension benefits for security/police officers killed in line of duty	1
6.	6	MFP	Pensions (Teachers) (Amendment) Act, 2003	To increase minimum gratuity payable for officers killed on duty— in line with pension benefits for security/police officers killed in line of duty	1
7.	7	MFP	Public Enterprises (Removal of Tax Exemptions) Act, 2003	Cancellation of Tax concessions enjoyed by certain public enterprises	1
8.	8	MFP	The Customs (Amendment) Act, 2003	To strengthen evidence gathering powers & to increase fines and penalties under the Act	1
9.	9	MFP	The General Consumptions Tax (Amendment) Act, 2003	(i) ensuring that tax is collected when services are provided by suppliers who are non-resident in Jamaica and therefore not registered (ii) raising the threshold for registration (iii) imposing a penalty upon third parties who hold monies	1

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				on behalf of delinquent taxpayers and fail to respond to a request from the Commissioner to pay over these monies (iv) providing incentives for persons engaged in agricultural production for export and manufacturing (v) providing incentives for the acquisition of capital items by registered taxpayers (vi) accounting for tax on the payments basis by registered taxpayers whose taxable supply is the provision of commercial premises for rent	
10.	10	MH	The National Health Fund Act, 2003	To establish National Health Insurance Plan	1
11.	11	MLGCDS	The Municipalities Act, 2003	To provide for the establishment of municipalities and for connected matters	1
12.	12	MWH	The Irrigation (Amendment) Act, 2003	To give effect to certain decisions relating to the licensing of water users' associations to carry out irrigation functions.	1
13.	13	OPM	The Access to Information (Amendment) Act, 2003	To give effect to the decision to implement the Access to Information Act on a phased basis and such consequential changes as may be necessary	1
14.	1	MA	Agricultural Credit Board (Amendment) (No.1)	Removal of grant & loan making functions of Board	2
15.	2	MA	Agricultural Produce (Amendment) Bill	To curb praedial larceny—provision for receipt book system; To provide for increase in fines and penalties and to give minister power to amend the fines & penalties in the Act by order, subject to affirmative resolution	2
16.	3	MA	Jamaica Dairy Development Board	To establish Dairy Development Board	2
17.	4	MCST	CARICOM Regional Organisation for Standards and Quality Bill	To give effect to provisions of Agreement establishing CARICOM Regional Organisation for Standards & Quality which was signed by Jamaica Feb 4, 2002	2
18.	5	MCST	Companies Bill	To repeal and replace existing Act	2
19.	6	MCST	Protection of Geographical Indications Bill	For consistency with bilateral Intellectual Property Agreement with USA & WTO TRIPS	2
20.	7	MFP	Bank of Jamaica (Amendment) Bill	To make provision for the requirement for the authorisation	2

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				and operation of remittance companies	
21.	8	MFP	Pensions (Superannuation Funds & Retirement Schemes) Licensing & Registration Bill	Registration of superannuation funds, retirement schemes & trustees, licensing of admin & investment managers	2
22.	9	MFP	Public Accountancy (Amendment) Bill	To update Act to current standards in the profession.	2
23.	10	MH	Child Care and Protection Bill	To enable Jamaica to fulfil its commitment to ensure that the Principles of the Convention on the Rights of the Child are fully incorporated in national legislation	2
24.	11	MH	Nursing Homes Registration (Amendment) Bill	To extend definition of nursing homes; provide for renewal of registration; provide for inspection of nursing homes.	2
25.	12	MNS	Finger Prints (Amendment) Bill	To introduce mandatory identification requirement for certain scheduled offences	2
26.	13	MOJ	Caribbean Court of Justice Bill	To implement Agreement establishing Caribbean Court of Justice consequent on ratification of Agreement	2
27.	14	MOJ	Caribbean Court of Justice (Constitutional Amendment) Bill	To amend the constitution of Jamaica to provide for abolition of appeals to Her Majesty in Council to make provisions for appeals to the Caribbean Court of Justice	2
28.	15	MOJ	Charter of Rights and Freedoms (Constitutional Amendment) Bill	To amend Chapter 3 of Constitution - Charter of Rights	2
29.	16	MOJ	Judicature (Appellate Jurisdiction) (Amendment) Bill	To facilitate the establishment of the Caribbean Court of Appeal as Jamaica's final court of appeal	2
30.	17	MOJ	Family Property (Right of Spouses) Bill	To provide for division of property on termination of cohabitation	2
31.	18	MOJ	Terrorism Prevention Bill	To implement Security Council Resolution 1373 on Terrorism and conventions relating to terrorism	2
32.	19	MWH	National Water Commission (Amendment) Bill (No.1)	To implement government water sector policy	2
33.	1	MFP	Constabulary Force (Amendment) Bill	To increase minimum gratuity payable for officers killed on duty	3

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NO	NO	MINISTRY	NAME OF LEGISLATION	PURPOSE	CATEGORY
34.	2	MFP	Cooperative Societies (Amendment) Bill (No. 1)	To place the activities of credit unions within the regulatory ambit of BOJ	3
35.	3	MFP	Income Tax (Amendment) Bill (No.2)	To increase fines and penalties payable under the Act	3
36.	4	MH	National Registration Bill	To provide for compulsory registration of all citizens ordinarily resident in Jamaica and to establish National Registration Commission	3
37.	5	MLE	Registration (Strata Titles) (Amendment) Bill	To improve management of strata properties	3
38.	6	MOJ	Defence (Amendment) Bill	To amend Section 9 of the Defence Act to provide JDF members with the same powers as the police	3
39.	7	MTW	Public Passenger Transport (KMTR) Bill	Legal framework for public transport in Corporate Area	3
40.	8	MTW	Public Passenger Transport (Rural Areas) Bill	To strengthen Transport Authority legal capacity in exercise of its function	3
41.	9	MTW	Road Traffic (Amendment) Bill (No.1)	i) Provision for weighing of vehicles ii) To rationalise provisions concerning Transport Authority	3
42.	10	MTW	Transport Authority (Amendment) Bill (No.2)	To rationalise provisions concerning Transport Authority	3
43.	1	MCST	Consumer Protection Bill	To establish Consumer Affairs Commission, enabling disclosure of consumer information and the promotion of product safety	4
44.	2	MFAFT	Caribbean Community (Amendment) Bill	To implement Revised Treaty of Chaguaramas including the CSME	4
45.	3	MFP	Constables Special (Amendment) Bill	To increase minimum gratuity payable for officers killed on duty	4
46.	4	MFP	Income Tax (Amendment) Bill (No.1)	To establish regime of tax incentives to encourage development of non-metal mining sector.	4
47.	5	MFP	Loan (Amendment) Bill	To increase the loan raising authority from $400,000m to $650,000m	4

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NO	NO	MINISTRY	NAME OF LEGISLATION	PURPOSE	CATEGORY
48.	6	MH	Health Facilities (Medical Laboratories) Bill	Establishment of Medical Laboratories Council to define, regulate and control activities of all medical laboratories	4
49.	7	MNS	Constable (District) (Amendment) Bill	To modernise Act	4
50.	8	MNS	Port Security Bill	To grant jurisdiction to MNS for port security standards and regulations and to set up Security Agency	4
51.	9	OPM	National Housing Trust (Amendment) Bill	To replace the word " cash grant" with "contribution refund"; to authorise Trust to disburse to beneficiaries of deceased contributions; to discontinue use of home bonds etc; To amend for penalty for non-payment; To allow for fines for employees for non-compliance etc.	4
52.	1	MA	Aquaculture Inland & Marine products & By-products (Inspection, Licensing & Export) (Amendment) Act	To plug loopholes discovered in Act since opening of Conch season in 2001 and make provisions for import	5
53.	2	MA	Banana Industry (Amendment) Bill	Restructuring of the administrative framework	5
54.	3	MA	Fishing Industry Bill	Repeal & replace existing Act	5
55.	4	MCST	Customs Duties (Dumping & Subsidies) (Amendment) Bill	To bring Act in close harmony with WTO anti-dumping agreement	5
56.	5	MCST	Electronic Commerce Bill	To provide environment for e-commerce in Jamaica.	5
57.	6	MCST	Patents & Industrial Designs Bill	To replace and repeal Patents Act	5
58.	7	MCST	Petroleum (Marketing Franchise) Bill	To provide for regulation of marketing companies	5
59.	8	MCST	Petroleum and Oil (Conveyance) Bill	To provide for safety measures for conveyance of petroleum	5
60.	9	MCST	Petroleum and Oil Fuel (Landing and Storage) (Amendment) Bill	To provide for the regulation of the Petroleum Sector as it pertains to the storage of petroleum. Bureau of Standards to be responsible for testing imported petroleum.	5
61.	10	MCST	Processed Foods (Amendment) Bill	To provide for use of internationally recognised systems	5
62.	11	MCST	Trade Bill	To reflect change in policy	5
63.	12	MEYC	Early Childhood Bill	To provide framework for all aspects for early childhood education, care and development	5
64.	13	MEYC	National Library of Jamaica Bill Institute of Jamaica (Amendment) Bill	To give full autonomy to National Library of Jamaica	5

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65.	14	MEYC	Overseas Examinations Commission Bill	Establishment of Statutory Board	5
66.	15	MFAFT	Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty Bill	To enable legislation for Convention	5
67.	16	MFAFT	Convention on Prohibition of Stockpiling & Use of Chemical Weapons Bill	To provide for implementing the obligations of the Convention	5
68.	17	MFAFT	Convention on Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production & Transfer of Anti-personnel Mines & on their Destruction Bill	Enabling legislation for Convention	5
69.	18	MFAFT	Convention on the Safety of UN Personnel Bill	Enabling legislation for Convention	5
70.	19	MFAFT	Inter-American Agreement against Illicit Manufacturing & Trafficking of Arms, Ammunition, Explosives and other Related Materials Bill	Implementing the Convention	5
71.	20	MFAFT	International Centre for Environmental & Nuclear Science Bill	Establishment of Centre as Statutory Board	5
72.	21	MFP	Bank of Jamaica (Validation) Bill	Validating the actions of the Bank of Jamaica taken in enforcing the provisions of the Banking (Licences) (Forms of Application and Fees) Regulations, 1973 for the period December 1992 to the present; and indemnifying officials of the BOJ in respect of actions taken pursuant to these Regulations over the abovementioned period.	5
73.	22	MFP	Banking (Amendment) Financial Institutions (Amendment) Building Societies (Amendment)	To amend definition of "regulated or supervised financial institution" and provide for penalties for offences	5
74.	23	MFP	Banking (Amendment) Bill Financial Institutions (Amendment) Bill Building Societies (Amendment) Bill	To correct various errors and omissions in the Amendments to these Acts which were enacted as part of the conditionalities for the Financial Sector Restructuring programme supported by loans from IDB, CDB and IBRD	5
75.	24	MFP	Betting, Gaming & Lotteries (Amendment) Bill (No.2)	To allow for the grant of licences to operators of commercial bingo and to levy a tax on the gross proceeds of each event as	5

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				well as the winnings.	
76.	25	MFP	Cooperative Societies (Amendment) Bill (No.2)	To restrict the deposit taking activities of the Co-operative Societies.	5
77.	26	MFP	Credit Reporting Bill	To facilitate operation of Credit Bureau	5
78.	27	MFP	Customs (Amendment) Bill (No.3)	Reduction of period re sale of motor vehicles by U-drive operator.	5
79.	28	MFP	Financial Administration & Audit (Amendment) Bill	To provide for establishment of Audit Committees in all ministries and departments; to expand the definition of "department"; and to enforce the establishment of audit committees in public bodies.	5
80.	29	MFP	Income Tax (Amendment) Bill (No.3)	To make Act conform with National Pensions Act	5
81.	30	MFP	Jamaica Development Bank (Repeal) Bill	Repeal of the Jamaica Development Bank Act	5
82.	31	MFP	Money Laundering (Amendment) Bill Bank of Jamaica (Amendment) Bill Banking (Amendment) Act Financial Institutions (Amendment) Bill Financial Services Commission (Amendment) Bill	To enact legislative changes to fight money laundering: (i) Amendments to the Money Laundering Act & regulations (ii) Amendments to the Drug Offences (Forfeiture of Proceeds) Act (iii) Amendments to the regulatory statutes of Banking Act, Financial Institutions Act, Building Societies Act, Financial Services Commission Act (iv) Putting in place a statute under which the Financial Investigation Division (FID) would be formerly established	5
83.	32	MFP	National Pensions Bill	Regulation of National Pension Scheme	5
84.	33	MFP	Pensions (Prime Minister) (Amendment) Bill	To provide for increased pension	5
85.	34	MFP	Property Tax (Amendment) Bill	To allow for introduction of new valuation roll effective April 1, 2002; new Property Taxes; additional methods of serving valuation & assessment notices; taxpayers to use TRN to pay property taxes and that TCC include property taxes; to give effect to Provisional Liability System (CAP)	5

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86.	35	MFP	Retiring Allowance (Legislative Service) (Amendment) Bill	Validation of Acts of Parliamentarians	5
87.	36	MFP	Retiring Allowances (Councillors) Bill	To provide retirement benefits for councillors similar to that offered Legislative Service	5
88.	37	MFP	Revenue Administration (Special Provision) Bill	Linking Tax Compliance with The Granting of Licences and Certification. To make it a prerequisite for the acquisition of a Tax Compliance Certificate in order to obtain licences and professional certification	5
89.	38	MFP	Road Traffic (Amendment) Bill	To eliminate payment of retroactive motor vehicle licence duty on existing motor vehicle licence where there was an increase or variation of rates	5
90.	39	MFP	Securities (Amendment) Bill	Amendment to section 26 to strengthen the FSC's regulatory authority in respect of Public Offerings.	5
91.	40	MFP	Tax Collection (Amendment) Bill	Taxpayers to use TRN to pay property taxes and TCC to include property tax.	5
92.	41	MFP	Tourist (Duty Free) Shopping System (Change of Name) (Amendment) Bill	To provide for establishment of duty free shopping system for arriving passengers	5
93.	42	MH	Children (Adoption of) (Amendment) Bill	To revise & improve adoption process	5
94.	43	MH	Food & Drug (Amendment) Bill	(i)To include and define over-the-counter products and (ii) five new categories of substances for human consumption	5
95.	44	MH	Medical (Amendment) Bill	To provide for increase in number of non-medical persons on the Medical Council; to increase the number of elected Registered Medical Practitioners from 6 to 8; to update the payable fees under the Act; to require every applicant for a Practising Certificate to fulfil requirements for Continuing Medical Education	5
96.	45	MH	Mental Health (Amendment) Bill	To bring Act in line with National Health Services Act. To provide for the treatment of patients by Mental Health Officers without their consent	5
97.	46	MH	Nurses & Midwives (Amendment) Bill (No.1)	To establish Nurse Practitioners Council to regulate, control & monitor all categories of Nurse Practitioners	5

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98.	47	MH	Nurses & Midwives (Amendment) Bill (No.2)	Biennial renewal of registration	5
99.	48	MH	Pharmacy (Amendment) Bill	To give Nurse Practitioners prescription rights for limited list of pharmaceutical products	5
100.	49	MH	Public Health (Amendment) Bill (No.1)	Introduction of legislation under the Public Health Act. To make it conform with the National Solid Waste Management Authority Act	5
101.	50	MH	Radiation Safety & Control Bill	To regulate safety of radiation to users & unsuspecting public	5
102.	51	MIT	International Finance Companies (Income Tax Relief) (Change of Name & Amendment) Bill	Widen scope of legislation to include professional services and other business services in addition to financial services	5
103.	52	MIT	Motion Picture Industry (Encouragement) (Amendment) Bill	To provide incentives to approved entertainment operators similar to those proposed for motion picture producers	5
104.	53	MIT	Tourism Enhancement Fee Bill	To allow for the charging of a fee on departing passengers whose tickets did not originate in Jamaica and set up mechanism similar to CHASE Fund to manage the proceeds.	5
105.	54	MLE	Beach Control (Amendment) Bill	To increase penalties & update Act	5
106.	55	MLE	Cadastral Mapping, Tenure Clarification/ Registration of Titles Bill	Improving administrative framework re ministerial responsibilities re land tenure & to facilitate activates of LAMP	5
107.	56	MLE	Land Surveyors Bill	To facilitate cadastral work required for implementation of LAMP	5
108.	57	MLE	Natural Resources and Conservation Authority (Amendment) Bill	To accommodate new categories of protected areas etc	5
109.	58	MLE	Real Estates (Dealers & Developers) (Amendment) Bill	To develop Code of Ethics	5
110.	59	MLE	Town & Country Planning Bill	Repeal & replacement of Act	5
111.	60	MLGCDS	Parochial Rates & Finance (Amendment)	To make both conform to Solid Waste Management Authority Act	5
112.	61	MLSS	National Assistance Bill	To provide for the new Unified Benefits Programme	5

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113.	62	MLSS	National Insurance Bill (No.1)	To empower Minister to increase benefits by Order	5
114.	63	MLSS	National Insurance Bill (No.2)	To give legal effect to benefits paid w.e.f. 1998/09/07 To give legal effect to benefits paid w.e.f. 2001/04/01 To pay orphan's benefit to all minors/children where at least one parent was insured under NIS Act; To increase sum recoverable in a civil claim where employer's failure to pay contribution results in loss of NIS benefit To give legal effect to increases in benefits w.e.f. 2003/07/01 To increase the insurable Wage Ceiling under the National Insurance Act w.e.f. 2003/10/01 To give legal effect to a change in contribution rate for employer and employee To provide for the payment of 20% of NIS Contributions into the National Health Fund To provide for additional Benefit that is a Health Benefit to NIS Pensioners.	5
115.	64	MLSS	Occupational Health & Safety Bill	To provide for safety standards at workplace	5
116.	65	MNS	Aliens (Amendment) Bill	To allow citizens to perform as registration officers for the purpose of registering aliens.	5
117.	66	MNS	Constable (Special) (Amendment) Bill	To implement rationalisation of ISCF	5
118.	67	MNS	Forfeiture of Assets Bill	To provide for mandatory search & confiscation of proceeds from illegal activities	5
119.	68	MNS	Passport (Amendment) Bill	To increase penalties	5
120.	69	MOJ	Constitution (Amendment) Bill	To set out additional procedures in application for pardoning in capital cases; To amend section 91 (prisons conditions) and section 17 (mandatory death sentence) of the Constitution	5
121.	70	MOJ	Contempt Bill	To provide for increased fines and to establish clear procedures to prevent persons from languishing indefinitely in prison	5
122.	71	MOJ	Coroner's (Amendment) Bill (No.1)	Introduction of Court Reporters.	5
123.	72	MOJ	Coroner's (Amendment) Bill (No.2)	To expedite the disposition of cases involving Coroner's cases	5

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				and give Coroner's greater control over the system, formalise attendance existing procedure re observers at post-mortem examinations	
124.	73	MOJ	Criminal Justice (Administration) (Amendment) Bill (No.1)	To allow for plea bargaining	5
125.	74	MOJ	Criminal Justice (Administration) (Amendment) Bill (No.2)	To provide for the change in the name of "Criminal Lunatics " to "Forensic Psychiatric Inmate"	5
126.	75	MOJ	Domestic Violence (Amendment) Bill	To make legislation more effective	5
127.	76	MOJ	Incest (Punishment) (Amendment) Bill	To increase penalty for incest and to widen the categories of prohibited relationships	5
128.	77	MOJ	Judicature (Resident Magistrates) (Amendment) Bill	To facilitate the recording of proceedings in the Resident Magistrates Court by Official Court Stenographers	5
129.	78	MOJ	Judicature (Supreme Court) (Admiralty Jurisdiction) Bill	To repeal and replace the Colonial Courts of Admiralty Act of 1890 (UK) and the Admiralty Jurisdiction (Jamaica) Order in Council, 1962 which govern the admiralty jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of Jamaica. Empowers Rules Committee to make rules to regulate procedures	5
130.	79	MOJ	Judicature (Supreme Court) (Amendment) Bill	To facilitate the recording of proceedings by Official Court Stenographers	5
131.	80	MOJ	Jury (Amendment) Bill	To give effect to recommendations concerning majority verdicts for non-capital murder in trials for capital murder; provide for majority of nine jurors in a trial of issue etc.	5
132.	81	MOJ	Justice of Peace (Jurisdiction) (Amendment) Bill	To allow for proceedings in Court of Petty Sessions to be recorded by the Official Court Stenographers	5
133.	82	MOJ	Obscene Publications (Amendment) Bill	To increase fines & custodial sentences	5
134.	83	MOJ	Offences Against the Persons (Amendment) Bill	To provide for more severe sanctions for the offence of incest.	5
135.	84	MOJ	Police Public Complaints (Amendment) Bill (No. 1)	To facilitate referrals of matters concerning corruption of members of Force directly to Police Services Commission	5

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136.	85	MTW	Civil Aviation (Amendment) Bill	To increase powers of the Authority	5
137.	86	MTW	Jamaica Railway Corporation (Amendment) Bill	To harmonise Act with provisions of OUR Act; to make provisions for privatization of railway operations	5
138.	87	MTW	Main Roads (Amendment) Bill	To allow for: (i) collection for damage to road furniture from offenders (ii) increased fines and removal of fines to schedule	5
139.	88	MTW	Motor Vehicles Insurance (Third Party Risks) (Amendment) Bill	To allow for collection for damage to road furniture from offenders	5
140.	89	MTW	New Montreal Convention on Airline Liability Bill	Unification of certain rules for international Carriage by air	5
141.	90	MTW	Port Authority of Jamaica Bill	Repeal & replace existing Act	5
142.	91	MTW	Port Authority of Superannuation Regulations Bill	To set up a new pension scheme for the Port Authority Staff	5
143.	92	MTW	Road Traffic (Amendment) Bill (No.2)	To establish Island Traffic Authority as a statutory body	5
144.	93	MTW	Road Traffic (Amendment) Bill (No.3)	To allow for the privatisation of Motor Vehicle Inspection Services	5
145.	94	MTW	Shipping (Pollution and Control) Bill Marine Pollution Bill	To implement for several international conventions (including International Convention on Civil Liability for Bunker Oil Damage; International Convention on Oil Pollution Preparedness & Response Cooperation; Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS) to protect shipping & preserve the marine environment from pollution by ships.	5
146.	95	MTW	Transport Authority (Amendment) Bill (No.1)	Validation of collection of fees	5
147.	96	MWH	Flood Control Water (Amendment) Bill	To rationalise responsibility for Flood Water Control between WRA and NWA	5
148.	97	MWH	Jamaica Mortgage Bank (Amendment) Bill	To ensure financial accountability to management of Govt. funds	5
149.	98	MWH	National Water Commission (Amendment) Bill (No.2)	To bring Act in line with OUR and update penalties	5
150.	99	MWH	Water Resources (Amendment) Bill	To rationalise responsibility for Flood Water Control between WRA and NWA	5

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151.	100	OPM	Archives (Amendment) Bill	To legislate access to information generated by Government and reconcile provisions with Access to Information Bill	5
152.	1	MA	Banana Insurance (Amendment) Bill	To allow for delegation of the duties of the Banana Board to any body corporate or company having the requisite expertise in banana sales and marketing insurance and the effecting of contractual insurance on existing banana cultivations over and above the statutory limit	6
153.	2	MFP	Caribbean Community and Common Market (Amendment) Bill Customs (Amendment) Bill (No.2) Customs (Amendment) Bill (No.3)	To provide for the CARICOM/Cuba Trade and Economic Agreement To give effect to duty free access of goods from Cuba To give effect to duty free access of goods from Dominican Republic	6
154.	3	MFP	GCT (Amendment) Bill (No.2)	Collection of tax on imported motor vehicles	6
155.	4	MFP	Income Tax (Amendment) Bill (No.4)	Bonus share issue	6
156.	5	MFP	Income Tax (Amendment) Bill (No.5)	To allow for more effective regulation of long term savings instruments	6
157.	6	MH	Pesticide Control (Amendment) Bill [Food Storage and Prevention of Infestation Amendment]	(i) To repeal Section 8 subsection (p) of the Food Storage and Prevention of Infestation Act to provide the Pesticide Control Authority with sole authority to license Pest Control Operators. (ii) Amendment of categories & licences issued & fees paid by pest control operators; fees as penalties for breaching regulations.	6
158.	7	MWH	Water Supply and Sewerage Service Bill	To provide the framework for multiple service providers in the water sector through a licensing regime, and to establish the appropriate institutional framework, responsibilities and roles of the various players in the water sector consistent with the Policy.	6

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NO	NO	MINISTRY	NAME OF LEGISLATION	PURPOSE	CATEGORY
159.	1	CO	Executive Agencies (Amendment) Bill	To re-introduce the original section 19 and the inclusion of a provision which would validate all acts performed by the 8 bodies during the period in which they carried out duties in the capacity of Executive Agencies	7
160.	2	MA	Agricultural Credit Board (Amendment) (No.2)	Write off bad and doubtful debts	7
161.	3	MA	Public Gardens Regulation Bill	To regulate the proper administration of public gardens, including charging user fees	7
162.	4	MCST	Copyright (Amendment) Bill	Jamaica's accession to the WIPO Copyright Treaty	7
163.	5	MCST	Postal Services Bill [and Post Office (Repeal) Bill]	To repeal Post Office Act; Facilitate modernisation & commercialisation of post offices by transferring the Postal Corporation into a statutory body Jamaica Post.	7
164.	6	MCST	Registration of Business Names (Amendment) Bill [Companion Bill to Companies Act]	To give recognition to developments in e-commerce (relating to registration), provide for increase in penalties, provide for registration of business name by Company, provision for disposal of records, disclosure of information	7
165.	7	MFAFT	Diplomatic Immunities & Privileges Bill	To amend the Diplomatic Immunities and Privileges Act to implement various Agreements	7
166.	8	MFP	Constables District (Amendment) Bill	To increase minimum gratuity payable for officers killed on duty	7
167.	9	MFP	GCT (Amendment) Bill (No.3)	To amend Section 3 of GCT Act along lines of Section 3(1) of the Value Added Tax Act of England to ensure that persons who are supplying goods and services in furtherance of taxable activity as defined in the GCT Act cannot escape liability to pay GCT on the grounds that they are not registered taxpayers	7
168.	10	MFP	Industrial & Provident Societies (Amendment) Bill	To strengthen the regulatory framework governing financial institutions by restricting these orgs. from engaging in baking business without authority of Minister	7
169.	11	MH	Rotterdam Convention on the Informed Consent Bill	Prior informed consent for hazardous chemicals etc.	7
170.	12	MLE	Biosafety Bill	To enable accession to and implementation of provisions of the Biosafety Protocol to the Convention on Biological Diversity	7

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				regarding genetically modified organisms.	
171.	13	MLE	Ozone Layer Protection	To provide for phase-out of importation of Ozone Depleting Substances (ODS) and to bring together existing orders & regulations concerning controls of ODS	7
172.	14	MNS	International Convention Against Transnational Organised Crime and Protocols	Ratification of the Convention and its three protocols; incorporation of the provisions of the Convention into domestic law	7
173.	15	MOJ	Commissions of Enquiry (Amendment) Bill	Recommendations from Enquiry into Forced Removal of Montego Bay Street People Recommendations of the West Kingston Commission of Enquiry	7
174.	16	MOJ	Parliament (Integrity of Members) (Amendment) Bill (No.2)	To include recommendations made in the Matalon Report on the integrity of public officials	7
175.	17	MTW	Justices of the Peace (Jurisdiction) (Amendment) Bill	To include Transport Authority tickets in the definition of summonses in the Act.	7
176.	18	MTW	Professional Engineer's Registration (Amendment) Bill	To permit the registration of CARICOM Nationals; to enact Code of Conduct under the PERB etc.	7
177.	19	MWH	National Water Commission (Amendment) Bill (No.3)	Enhancement of benefits under new pension scheme	7
178.	20	MWH	Rent Restriction (Amendment) Bill	To facilitate the provision of adequate legislation governing the rental of properties in Jamaica and to bring about greater efficiency in the processing of applications & complaints	7
179.	21	OPM	Broadcasting and Radio Rediffusion (Amendment) Bill	To reflect changes in the regulatory responsibilities of the structure of the Broadcasting Commission.	7
180.	22	OPM	Cinematograph (Amendment) Bill	To provide necessary statutory guidelines	7

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