

**No. 14 of 2005**

**VIRGIN ISLANDS**

**DRUGS (PREVENTION OF MISUSE) (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2005**

**ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS**

*Section*

1. . Short title and commencement.
2. . Section 28 amended.

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**I Assent**

**DANCIA PENN, OBE, QC  
Acting Governor**

**6<sup>th</sup> May, 2005**

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An Act to amend the Drugs (Prevention of Misuse) Act (Cap. 178).

[Gazetted 26<sup>th</sup> May, 2005]

ENACTED by the Legislature of the Virgin Islands as follows:

Short title and  
commencement.

**1.** This Act may be cited as the Drugs (Prevention of Misuse) (Amendment) Act, 2005 and shall come into operation on such date as the Governor may, by Proclamation published in the *Gazette*, appoint.

Section 28  
amended.  
Cap. 178

**2.** Section 28 of the Drugs (Prevention of Misuse) Act is amended by deleting subsection (6) and substituting the following subsection:

“(6) Notwithstanding the provisions of any law, where a person aged eighteen years or over is charged with an offence under this Act, such offence shall be tried summarily or on indictment, at the election of the prosecution; but where the person charged is a child or young person as defined in the Children and Young Persons Act, 2005, such offence shall be tried summarily in a youth court established under section 2 of the Youth Courts Act, 2005.”.

Passed by the Legislative Council this 7<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2005.

V. INEZ ARCHIBALD,  
Speaker.

ALVA MC CALL,  
Ag. Clerk of the Legislative Council.

