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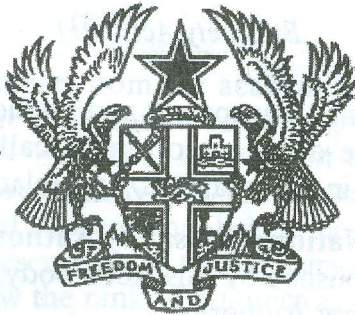
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THE EIGHT HUNDRED AND THIRTY-FIRST

ACT

OF THE PARLIAMENT OF THE REPUBLIC

OF GHANA

ENTITLED

BIOSAFETY ACT, 2011

AN ACT to regulate biotechnology and to provide for related matters.

DATE OF ASSENT: *31st December, 2011.*

PASSED by Parliament and assented to by the President:

Scope, objectives and establishment

Scope of the Act

1. (1) The requirements of this Act are in addition to, and not in derogation of, the requirements imposed by any other enactment.

(2) This Act does not apply to genetically modified organisms that are pharmaceuticals for human use, and which are the subject of any other enactment.

Objectives of the Act

2. The objectives of the Act are,

- (a) to ensure an adequate level of protection in the field of safe development transfer, handling and use of genetically modified organisms resulting from biotechnology that may have an adverse effect on health and the environment, and

