

A BILL

To

Amend the Organized and Serious Crimes Ordinance (*OSCO*) to add certain offences under the Protection of Endangered Species of Animals and Plants Ordinance to Schedule 1 to the OSCO.

Enacted by the Legislative Council.

1. Short title

This Ordinance may be cited as the Organized and Serious Crimes (Amendment) Ordinance 2021.

2. Organized and Serious Crimes Ordinance amended

The Organized and Serious Crimes Ordinance (Cap. 455) is amended as set out in section 3.

3. Schedule 1 amended (offences relevant to definitions of *organized crime and specified offence*)

Schedule 1, after paragraph 19—

Add

“20. Protection of
Endangered Species
of Animals and
Plants Ordinance
(Cap. 586)

section 5	illegal import of a specimen of an Appendix I species
section 6	illegal introduction from the sea of a specimen of an Appendix I species
section 7	illegal export of a specimen of an Appendix I species
section 8	illegal re-export of a specimen of an Appendix I species
section 9	illegal possession or control of a specimen of an Appendix I species
section 11	illegal import of a specimen of an Appendix II or III species
section 12	illegal introduction from the sea of a specimen of an Appendix II species
section 13	illegal export of a specimen of an Appendix II or III species
section 14	illegal re-export of a specimen of an Appendix II or III species

section 15

illegal possession or control
of a specimen of an
Appendix II species”.

Explanatory Memorandum

The purpose of this Bill is to amend Schedule 1 to the Organized and Serious Crimes Ordinance (Cap. 455) (*the Ordinance*) to add certain offences under the Protection of Endangered Species of Animals and Plants Ordinance (Cap. 586). Once added to the Ordinance, such offences will be subject to the provisions of the Ordinance which provide for additional powers of investigation into certain crimes and proceeds of crime, the confiscation of proceeds of crime and related matters.