



## **Country Report Jamaica**

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### **Copyright**

#### ***Revision/changes in existing law or regulations***

The National Library of Jamaica has led the campaign for amendments to the Copyright Act (1993) and has achieved the following concessions.

Cabinet has instructed the Chief Parliamentary Council to make the following amendments which are to be brought to Parliament.

1. Exemptions for access to copyright works by the print and hearing disabled.
2. Provision for access to 'orphan works'.
3. Clarification of rights in adapted works.
4. Extension of the rights of Librarians and Archivists to archive material that is in digital format.

We expect the debate and approval of these amendments within the new parliamentary year.

#### ***New legislation***

N/A

### **Legal matters**

#### ***Revision/changes in existing law or regulations***

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N/A

### **Law cases**

N/A

### **Lobby activities**

The Jamaica Intellectual Property Office (JIPO) is now represented on the Board of the National Library of Jamaica

### **Educational activities**

The Library and Information Association of Jamaica (LIAJA) revised its Copyright statement. Revision followed sensitization discussions with members.

### **Strategic plans for future**

N/A

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