

COPYRIGHTACT (NO.3),

B.E. 2558 (2015)<sup>1</sup>

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BHUMIBOL ADULYADEJ, REX.

Given on the 31<sup>st</sup> Day of January B.E. 2558;

Being the 70<sup>th</sup> Year of the Present Reign.

His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej is graciously pleased to proclaim that:

Whereas it is expedient to amend the law on copyright;

Be it, therefore, enacted by the King, by and with the advice and consent of the National Legislative Assembly, as follows:

**Section 1.** This Act is called the “Copyright Act (No.3), B.E. 2558 (2015)”.

**Section 2.** This Act shall come into force after the expiration of sixty days from the date of its publication in the Government Gazette.<sup>2</sup>

**Section 3.** The following provisions shall be added as section 28/1 of the Copyright Act, B.E. 2537:

“**Section 28/1.** Reproduction of the sounds, images or both sounds and images of a film copyrighted under this Act, whether wholly or partly, while the film is being shown in a cinema venue as defined in the law on Film and Video shall be deemed

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copyright infringement if such reproduction is done without permission pursuant to section 15 (5). Section 32 paragraph two (2) shall not be applicable to such reproduction.”

**Section 4.** The following provisions shall be added as (9) of paragraph two under section 32 of the Copyright Act, B.E. 2537:

“(9) reproduction or adaption of a copyrighted work for a non-profit purpose and for the benefit of a person with disabilities unable to access copyrighted works due to visual or hearing or intellectual or learning impairments or other disabilities as prescribed by Ministerial Regulation; provided that the reproduction or adaptation form, which is necessary for the person with disabilities, and the implementing organisation, as well as and rules and procedures for the reproduction or adaptation, shall comply with a Notification issued by the Minister and published in the Government Gazette.”

**Section 5.** The following provisions shall be added as section 69/1 of the Copyright Act, B.E. 2537:

“**Section 69/1.** Whoever commits copyright infringement under section 28/1 shall be liable to imprisonment for a term of six months to four years or to a fine of one hundred thousand to eight hundred thousand baht, or to both.”

Countersigned by

General Prayut Chan-o-cha

Prime Minister