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Article 302 of the Criminal Code,<sup>1</sup> on Homosexuality, reads as follows: A person that is of full age and who commits indecent acts with a minor of the same sex, from whom he knows or within reason should know that it is a minor, is liable to a term of imprisonment of maximum 4 years.

According to Article 382 of the Civil Code,<sup>2</sup> minors are those unmarried persons who have not reached the full age of 21 years.

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<sup>1</sup>Criminal Code of Suriname, Governmental Paper, 1915, 78, as amended.

<sup>2</sup> Civil Code of Suriname, Governmental Paper, 1868, 17, as amended.