

AS TABLED IN THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

A BILL

entitled

CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT AMENDMENT ACT 2014

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Customs Department Act 1952;

Be it enacted by The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and the House of Assembly of Bermuda, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Citation

1 This Act may be cited as the Customs Department Amendment Act 2014.

Amends section 2

2 (1) In section 2 of the Customs Department Act 1952, in subsection (3)—

(a) delete “Minister of Labour and Immigration” and substitute “Minister responsible for immigration”; and

(b) delete “Minister of Health and Social Services” and substitute “Minister responsible for health”.

(2) At the end of that section insert—

“(4) Notwithstanding the foregoing, where any member of the Department is acting in relation to any prohibition or restriction on the importation or exportation of goods, he shall, to the extent authorised by the Collector of Customs, comply with the directions and instructions of the Minister responsible for national security.”

Commencement

3 This Act comes into operation on 1 April 2014.

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend section 2 of the Customs Department Act 1952.

Clause 1 is self-explanatory.

Clause 2 subsection (1) corrects some outdated references to Ministers in section 2(3) of the Customs Department Act 1952. Subsection (2) inserts a new subsection (4) into that section as a result of the assignment of Ministerial responsibility for border control to the Minister of National Security.

Clause 3 provides for commencement on 1 April 2014.