

A BILL

entitled

GOVERNMENT LOANS AMENDMENT ACT 2011

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Government Loans Act 1978;

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 Government Loans Amendment Act 2011.

Amends section 2A

2 In section 2A(2) of the Government Loans Act 1978 (meaning of "public debt"), at the end of paragraph (b) insert ", but only if and when, and to the extent that, the guarantee obligation becomes due and payable by the Government".

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend the definition of “public debt” in the Government Loans Act 1978.

Clause 1 is self-explanatory.

Clause 2 amends the definition of “public debt” in section 2A of the Government Loans Act 1978 so as to exclude Government guarantees from the statutory limit of the public debt (currently \$1,250,000,000) unless and until, and to the extent that, a guarantee obligation becomes due and payable.