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BOAT REGISTRATION (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2020

AN ACT TO AMEND THE BOAT REGISTRATION ACT

[Date of Assent - 29th June, 2020]

Enacted by the Parliament of The Bahamas

1. Short title and commencement.

- (1) This Act, which amends the Boat Registration Act (*Ch. 277*), may be cited as the Boat Registration (Amendment) Act, 2020.
- (2) This Act shall come into force on the 1st day of July, 2020.

2. Insertion of new section 3A into Ch. 277.

The Boat Registration Act is amended by the insertion immediately after section 3 of the following new section —

" "3A. Electronic submission of applications.

- (1) The Minister may enter into an agreement with a vendor to administer the electronic
 - (a) submission and processing of applications; and
 - (b) issuance of permits and licences,

under the Boat Registration (Yacht), Rules.¹

- (2) An application submitted in accordance with subsection (1) shall be deemed to be an application made to the Authority.
- (3) A vendor authorized under subsection (1) shall
 - (a) grant the Authority electronic access to every application made in accordance with subsection (1) to facilitate the Authority's approval of the application;
 - (b) only issue a permit or licence where the Authority has approved the application;

¹Sub. Leg. Vol. IV Ch. 277-13.

- (c) be entitled to charge, collect and retain a processing fee, as agreed in consultation with the Minister, in respect of every application made and permit or licence issued under the Boat Registration (Yacht) Rules²; and
- (d) charge, collect and transfer to the Authority, in respect of every application made and permit or licence issued under the Boat Registration (Yacht), Rules, the fee payable in accordance with the *Second Schedule* of those Rules.".

²Sub. Leg. Vol. IV Ch. 277-13.