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#### No. 19 of 2020

### **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 1<sup>st</sup> 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.<sup>1</sup>

- (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;

<sup>1</sup>Sub. 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) Rules<sup>2</sup>; 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.".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Sub. Leg. Vol. IV Ch. 277-13.