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**INTERPRETATION AND GENERAL CLAUSES
(AMENDMENT) ACT, 2011**

**AN ACT TO AMEND THE INTERPRETATION AND GENERAL
CLAUSES ACT**

[Date of Assent – 2nd November, 2011]

Enacted by the Parliament of The Bahamas

1. Short title.

This Act may be cited as the Interpretation and General Clauses (Amendment) Act, 2011.

2. Amendment of section 3 of Ch. 2.

Section 3 of the Interpretation and General Clauses Act is amended by the insertion immediately after subsection (2) of the following new subsection –

“(3) In every written law, the word “**may**” is to be construed as being directory or empowering and the word “**shall**” or “**must**” is to be construed as being mandatory or imperative.”.