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FRIENDLY SOCIETIES (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2013

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GOVERNOR

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A BILL FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACT (CAP 11.19).

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of Montserrat and by the Authority of the same as follows—

1 Short title

This Act may be cited as the Friendly Societies (Amendment) Act, 2013.

2 Interpretation

In this Act—

“**principal Act**” means the Friendly Societies Act (Cap. 11.19).

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3 Section 2 amended

Section 2 is amended by inserting the following definition in alphabetical order—

“**Registrar**” means the Registrar of Friendly Societies;”

4 Section 3 amended

Section 3 of the principal Act is deleted and the following substituted:

“3. Registrar of Friendly Societies

The Commissioner of Financial Services is the Registrar of Friendly Societies.”.

5 Section 78 and 79 amended

Sections 78 and 79 of the principal Act are amended by deleting “\$96” and substituting “\$500”.

6 Section 83 amended

Section 83 of the principal Act is amended by deleting “\$240” and substituting “\$1000”.

7 Section 84 amended

Section 84 of the principal Act is amended by deleting “\$96” and substituting “500”.

8 Section 89 amended

Section 89 is amended by deleting the words “, and all such fees shall be paid by means of stamps”.

9 Section 93 repealed

Section 93 of the Act is repealed.

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10 Friendly Societies Regulations amended

The amendments to the Friendly Societies Regulations are set out in the Schedule.

SCHEDULE

**AMENDMENTS TO THE FRIENDLY SOCIETIES
REGULATIONS**

1 Regulation 9 amended

Regulation 9 of the Friendly Societies Regulations (Cap. 11.19) is amended by deleting “\$96” and substituting “\$500”.

2 Schedule amended

The Schedule to the Friendly Societies Regulations (Cap. 11.19) is repealed and the following substituted—

“Scale of Fees

Service	Fees
1. Examining rules submitted with the object of registration under section 7	\$100
2. Registering rules of society under section 7	\$100
3. Granting a certificate of registry of rules of a society under section 7	\$100
4. Supplying bonds to officers under section 50	\$50
5. Issuing to a society an acknowledgment of registry under section 9	\$25

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6. Examining any proposed alteration or amendment of rules under section 11—	
(a) not exceeding five rules	\$50
(b) exceeding five rules	\$100
7. Registering amended rules under section 11	\$25
8. Issuing to society acknowledgment of registry of amended rules and that same are not contrary to section 11	\$25
9. Cancelling or suspension or registry under section 71	\$50
10. On hearing and determining of disputes under section 63	\$200
11. Registration of special resolution under section 69	\$25
12. Registration of copy of special resolution as memorandum of association under section 66	\$50
13. Cancelling of registry of society on conversion into a company under section 66	\$100
14. Hearing of application of trustees desiring amalgamation or transfer of engagements under section 65	\$100
15. Registration of dissolution of society and making award under sections 72 and 74	\$150
16. Registry of branch societies under section 14	\$100
17. Acknowledgment of registry of branch society and of amendment of branch rules	\$50

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18. Issuing certificate of change of name	\$50
19. Registration of each new trustee or new trustees registered together	\$25
20. For every document required to be authenticated by the Registrar not chargeable with any other fee	\$50
21. For every inspection of any documents relating to one and the same friendly society	\$25
22. On submission of an annual return under section 26 of the Act	\$100”.

SPEAKER

Passed the Legislative Assembly this day of ,
2013.

CLERK OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY