

BILL NO. 26 OF 2019

A BILL

FOR AN ACT TO AMEND THE MARITIME TRANSPORT ACT 2013

ENACTED by the Parliament of the Republic of Fiji—

Short title and commencement

1.—(1) This Act may be cited as the Maritime Transport (Amendment) Act 2019.

(2) This Act comes into force on a date appointed by the Minister by notice in the Gazette.

Section 111 amended

2. Section 111 of the Maritime Transport Act 2013 is amended by deleting “one year” and substituting “20 years”.

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MARITIME TRANSPORT (AMENDMENT) BILL 2019

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Bill and is intended only to indicate its general effect)

1.0 BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The Maritime Transport (Amendment) Bill 2019 (**‘Bill’**) seeks to amend the Maritime Transport Act 2013 (**‘Act’**) to allow for the issuance of coasting-trade licences for a period of up to 20 years instead of one year.

2.0 CLAUSES

- 2.1 Clause 1 of the Bill provides for the short title and commencement. If passed by Parliament, the amending legislation will come into force on a date appointed by the Minister by notice in the Gazette.
- 2.2 Clause 2 of the Bill amends section 111 of the Act by deleting “one year” and substituting “20 years”.

3.0 MINISTERIAL RESPONSIBILITY

- 3.1 The Act comes under the responsibility of the Minister responsible for infrastructure and transport.

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