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ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA MERCHANT SHIPPING (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2017
No. 31 of 2017

AN ACT to amend the Antigua and Barbuda Merchant Shipping Act 2006, No. 1 of 2006 in order to provide for the provisional registration of ships and for connected and incidental purposes.

ENACTED by the Parliament of Antigua and Barbuda as follows:

1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the Antigua and Barbuda Merchant Shipping (Amendment) Act, 2017.

2. Interpretation

In this Act —

“principal Act” means the Antigua and Barbuda Merchant Shipping Act 2006.

3. Insertion of new section 24A

The principal Act is amended by inserting after section 24 the following new section as section 24A:

“24A Provisional registration
(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the Registrar may grant a provisional certificate of registry to a ship which is owned by a person not qualified to own a ship under section 11 if he is satisfied that —

(a) the ship is owned by the person applying to register the ship;

(b) the applicant is qualified or has commenced the process of becoming qualified to own an Antigua and Barbuda ship under section 11; and

(c) the administrative requirements preliminary to registration have commenced.

(2) Where an application is made by a person qualified to own an Antigua and Barbuda ship, the Registrar may, on receiving the application, grant a provisional certificate of registry.

(3) Where the circumstances outlined in subsections (1) and (2) arise —

(a) the provisional certificate of registry shall be valid for a period of six months from the date of issue, but may be extended for a further period of six months only;

(b) the issue of the provisional certificate of registry shall be subject to such further minimum requirements as may be specified in regulations made under this Act;

(c) the Registrar shall grant a certificate of registry under section 23 if the requirements of the Act preliminary to registration have been complied with within the period of six months from the date issue, or within the further extended period of six months."

Passed by the House of Representatives on the 10th day of October, 2017.

Passed by the Senate on the 30th day of October, 2017.

Gerald Watt Q.C., Speaker

Alincia Williams Grant, President

Ramona Small,
Clerk to the House of Representatives

Ramona Small,
Clerk to the Senate