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LOCAL GOVERNMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2012

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT

[Date of Assent - 12th December, 2012]

Enacted by the Parliament of The Bahamas

1. Short title and commencement.

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Local Government (Amendment) Act, 2012.
- (2) This Act shall come into force on such date as the Minister may appoint by notice published in the *Gazette* and the Minister may appoint different dates for different Islands of The Bahamas.

2. Insertion of new section 38A into Ch. 37.

The Local Government Act¹ is amended by the insertion immediately after section 38 of the following new section —

“38A. Delegation of functions by the Registrar General.

- (1) The Registrar General may in writing delegate to an Administrator, Senior Deputy Administrator, Deputy Administrator or Assistant Administrator power —
 - (a) upon payment of the prescribed fee, to certify and issue true copies of documents recorded in the registry of records; and
 - (b) to exercise such other functions as the Registrar General may specify.
- (2) A certified copy of a document issued pursuant to a power delegated by the Registrar General under subsection (1) shall, without further proof of such entry, be admissible as *prima facie* evidence of the facts contained therein —
 - (a) in any court of justice; or

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(b) before any person authorised by law, or by consent of the parties, to hear, receive and examine evidence.”.