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## FISHERIES RESOURCES (JURISDICTION AND CONSERVATION)(AMENDMENT) ACT, 2020

### AN ACT TO AMEND THE FISHERIES RESOURCES (JURISDICTION AND CONSERVATION) ACT

[Date of Assent - 29<sup>th</sup> June, 2020]

#### Enacted by the Parliament of The Bahamas

**1. Short title and commencement.**

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Fisheries Resources (Jurisdiction and Conservation)(Amendment) Act, 2020.
- (2) This Act shall come into force on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2020.

**2. Insertion of new section 8A into *Ch. 244*.**

The Fisheries Resources (Jurisdiction and Conservation) Act is amended by the insertion immediately after section 8 of the following new section —

**“8A. Electronic submission of applications.**

- (1) The Minister may enter into an agreement with a vendor to administer the electronic —
  - (a) submission and processing of applications; and
  - (b) issuance of permits and licences, under Part XIII of the Fisheries Resources (Jurisdiction and Conservation) Regulations<sup>1</sup>.
- (2) An application submitted in accordance with subsection (1) shall be deemed to be an application made to the Minister.
- (3) A vendor authorized under subsection (1) shall —

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<sup>1</sup>Sub. Leg. Vol IV Ch. 244-5.

- (a) grant the Minister access to every application made in accordance with subsection (1) to facilitate the Minister's approval of the application;
- (b) only issue a permit or licence where the Minister has approved the application;
- (c) be entitled to charge, collect and retain a processing fee, as agreed in consultation with the Minister, in respect of every application made and permit or licence issued under the Fisheries Resources (Jurisdiction and Conservation) Regulations; and
- (d) charge, collect and transfer to the Minister, in respect of every application made and permit or licence issued under the Fisheries Resources (Jurisdiction and Conservation) Regulations, the fee payable in accordance with the *Third Schedule* of those Regulations.”.