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STAMP (SURCHARGE AMNESTY) BILL, 2016

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR AN AMNESTY PERIOD FOR THE PAYMENT OF SURCHARGE

Enacted by the Parliament of The Bahamas

1. Short title and duration.

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Stamp (Surcharge Amnesty) Act, 2016.
- (2) This Act shall come into force on the 25th day of May, 2016 and shall expire on the 1st day of September, 2016

2. Amnesty on surcharge.

- (1) On the date of the coming into force of this Act, a person liable to pay stamp duty in respect of any unstamped or insufficiently stamped instrument, may upon presenting the instrument to the Treasurer to be duly stamped six months or more after its execution be entitled to a waiver of the surcharge during the period 25th day of May, 2016 to 1st day of September, 2016.
- (2) Upon the expiration of the period referred to in subsection (1), section 17(1) of the Stamp Act shall apply.

OBJECTS AND REASONS

This Bill seeks to waive the payment of surcharge during the period 25th day of May, 2016 to 1st day of September, 2016, for persons liable to pay stamp duty in respect of unstamped or insufficiently stamped instruments and upon the expiration of section 2(1), section 17(1) of the Stamp Act shall apply.