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WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Customs Department Act 1952:

Be it enacted by The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and the House of Assembly of Bermuda, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

Citation

1 This Act, which amends the Customs Department Act 1952, may be cited as the Customs Department Amendment Act 1999.

Interpretation

2 In this Act,

"Act" means the Customs Department Act 1952;

"Bermuda Airport" has the meaning assigned to it in section 1 of the Civil Airports Act 1949;

"prescribed" means prescribed by Regulations under the Government Fees Act 1965.

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Inserts new section in the Act

3 The Act is amended by inserting next after section 3 the following new section:

"Charge for clearance of private aircraft

3A (1) Subject to subsection (3), the owner of a private aircraft which arrives at the Bermuda Airport from any place outside Bermuda shall pay the prescribed fee in respect of clearance of that aircraft.

(2) Clearance shall not, unless the Collector of Customs otherwise directs, be granted in respect of any aircraft where any fee falling to be paid under subsection (1) in respect of that aircraft remains unpaid.

(3) The prescribed fee is not payable under subsection (1) where the aircraft

(a) is one of Her Majesty's aircraft or an aircraft owned and operated by the Government of any part of Her Majesty's dominions;

(b) is an aircraft owned and operated by the War, Navy or Air Force Department of the Government of any state;

(c) is an aircraft which arrives in Bermuda

(i) solely by reason of being in distress;

(ii) solely by reason of stress of weather; or

(iii) solely for the purpose of landing any person for medical reasons.

(4) In this section, "owner" includes the pilot, agent or such other person who is responsible for clearance of an aircraft."