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High Court (Admiralty Jurisdiction) (Amendment) Bill

Bill No. 23/2020.

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A BILL

i n t i t u l e d

An Act to amend the High Court (Admiralty Jurisdiction) Act (Chapter 123 of the 2001 Revised Edition) and to make a related amendment to the Merchant Shipping Act (Chapter 179 of the 1996 Revised Edition).

Be it enacted by the President with the advice and consent of the Parliament of Singapore, as follows:

Short title and commencement

1. This Act is the High Court (Admiralty Jurisdiction) (Amendment) Act 2020 and comes into operation on a date that the Minister appoints by notification in the *Gazette*.

Amendment of section 3

2. Section 3 of the High Court (Admiralty Jurisdiction) Act is amended —

(a) by deleting paragraph (i) of subsection (1) and substituting the following paragraph:

“(i) subject to section 168 of the Merchant Shipping Act (Cap. 179) (which requires salvage disputes to be determined summarily by a District Court in certain cases), any claim —

(i) under the Salvage Convention;

(ii) under any contract for or in relation to salvage services; or

(iii) in the nature of salvage other than a claim mentioned in sub-paragraph (i) or (ii),

or any corresponding claim in connection with an aircraft mentioned in subsection (3A);”;

(b) by deleting subsection (3) and substituting the following subsections:

“(3) For the purposes of subsection (1)(i)(ii) —

(a) a claim for or in relation to salvage services includes a claim for services rendered in saving life from a ship or in saving cargo, apparel or wreck, that is authorised to be made in connection with a ship under paragraph 2 of Article 16 of the Salvage