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An Act to amend the Nauru Lands Committee Act 1956

Certified on 10 October 2012

Enacted by the Parliament of Nauru as follows:

#### 1 Short title

This Act may be cited as the Nauru Lands Committee (Amendment) Act 2012.

#### 2 Commencement

This Act commences on the day it receives the certificate of the Speaker under Article 47.

#### 3 Amendment of Nauru Lands Committee Act 1956

The Schedule amends the Nauru Lands Committee Act 1956.

## SCHEDULE – AMENDMENT OF NAURU LANDS COMMITTEE ACT 1956

section 3

#### [1] New part heading – PART 1

Before section 1

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#### **PART 1 – PRELIMINARY MATTERS**

#### [2] Amendment of section 2

Section 2

insert (in alphabetical order)

**'Curator'** means the Curator of Intestate Estates mentioned in section 6 of the Succession, Probate and Administration Act 1976;

'personal estate' means the personal property to which a deceased person was entitled at the time of the person's death, and any share or interest in such property, that is:

- (a) subject to the law of Nauru; and
- (b) not real estate;

#### [3] New part heading – PART 2

After section 2

insert

#### PART 2 - NAURU LANDS COMMITTEE

#### [4] Amendment of section 4

Section 4

omit

the last preceding section

substitute

section 3

#### [5] Amendment of section 6

**5.1** After section 6(1)

insert

- (1A) The Committee has power to determine the distribution of the personal estate of deceased Nauruans.
- **5.2** Section 6(2)

omit

the next succeeding section

substitute

section 7

#### [6] New section 6A

After section 6

insert

#### 6A Publication of decision

A decision of the Committee must be published in the Gazette within 21 days after the decision is made.

#### [7] Amendment of section 7

Section 7(1)

omit, substitute

- (1) A person who is dissatisfied with a decision of the Committee may appeal to the Supreme Court against the decision:
  - (a) within 21 days after the decision is published; or
  - (b) with leave of the Court.

#### [8] New part heading – PART 3

After section 7

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#### PART 3 – TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS

#### [9] New sections 9 and 10

After section 8

insert

#### 9 Validation of decisions of Curator

A decision of the Curator made before the commencement of the *Nauru Lands Committee (Amendment) Act 2012* that purports to determine the distribution of the personal estate of a deceased Nauruan is taken to have been made by the Committee.

#### 10 Application of section 7(1)(b)

Section 7(1)(b) applies to any decision made or taken to have been made by the Committee, whether before or after the commencement of the *Nauru Lands Committee (Amendment) Act 2012.*