



THE INTERPRETATION AND GENERAL PROVISIONS (AMENDMENT) ACT 1987

(NO. 15 OF 1987)

Passed by the National Parliament this sixth day of August 1987.

This printed impression has been carefully compared by me with the Bill passed by Parliament and found by me to be a true and correct copy of the said Bill.

*J M Tuhaika
Clerk to the National Parliament*

Assented to in Her Majesty's name and on Her Majesty's behalf this twenty-sixth day of August 1987.

*B Devesi
Governor-General*

Date of commencement: date of publication in the Gazette.

AN ACT to amend the Interpretation and General Provisions Act 1978.

ENACTED by the National Parliament of Solomon Islands.

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the Interpretation and General Provisions (Amendment) Act 1987.

Insertion of new section 16A in Act No. 20 of 1978.

2. The Interpretation and General Provisions Act (hereinafter referred to as the "principal Act") is hereby amended by inserting therein immediately after section 16 the following new section -

"Meaning of 16A.(1) In every Act, except where it is otherwise expressly provided or by necessary implication otherwise required, "Islander" means -

- (a) any person both of whose parents are or were members of a group, tribe or line indigenous to Solomon Islands; or
- (b) any other person at least one of whose parents or ancestors was a member of a race, group, tribe or line indigenous to any island in Melanesia, Micronesia or Polynesia and who is living in Solomon Islands in the customary mode of life of any such race, group, tribe or line.

(2) In every Act, except where it is otherwise expressly provided or by necessary implication otherwise required, "non Islander" shall be construed to mean a person other than an islander."

Insertion of new section 24B.

3. The principal Act is hereby amended by inserting therein immediately after section 24A the following new section -

"Power to 24B. The Attorney-General may by order published make in the Gazette -

- corrections in Acts.
- (a) rectify any printing errors;
 - (b) correct any cross references;
 - (c) correct any punctuations; or
 - (d) correct grammatical, typographical or similar errors,

which appear to him necessary or expedient for the perfecting of any Act."

Amendment of section 61.

4. Section 61 of the principal Act is hereby amended by inserting therein immediately after subsection (2) the following as subsection 3 -

"(3) Where any fees or charges referred to in subsection (1), is in respect of any services provided by any public body, such fees or charges shall as far as practicable be within a range properly chargeable in respect of the services provided, and shall not be excessive or unreasonable."