The Colonial Light Dues (Bahamas) Order, 1948

1948 No. 109

Made - - - - 26th January, 1948
Laid before Parliament 27th January, 1948
Coming into Operation 16th February, 1948

At the Court at Buckingham Palace the 26th day of January, 1948

Present,

The King's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Whereas by section 670 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, it is provided that where any lighthouse, buoy or beacon has, either before or after the passing of that Act, been erected or placed on or near the coasts of any British possession by or with the consent of the legislature of that possession, His Majesty may by Order in Council fix such dues (in that Act referred to as colonial light dues) to be paid in respect of that lighthouse, buoy or beacon by the owner or master of every ship which passes the same and derives benefit therefrom, as His Majesty may deem reasonable, and may by like Order increase, diminish or repeal such dues, and those dues shall from the time mentioned in the Order be leviable throughout His Majesty's dominions, and further that colonial light dues shall not be levied in any British possession unless the legislature of that possession has by address to the Crown, or by Act or Ordinance duly passed, signified its opinion that the dues ought to be levied: 57 & 58 Vict. c. 60.

And Whereas by an Order in Council (hereinafter referred to as "the Principal Order") made on the 17th day of December, 1931(a), in pursuance of the said powers His Majesty was pleased to fix the dues to be paid in respect of the lighthouses and buoy erected or placed on or near the coasts of the Bahamas which are specified in Part I of the Schedule thereto by the owner or master of every ship at one penny per ton of her register tonnage for every occasion after the first day of April, 1932, on which such ship passes and derives benefit from any of the said lighthouses or the said buoy:

And Whereas it has been made to appear to His Majesty that it is reasonable that the dues fixed as aforesaid to be paid in respect of certain of the said lighthouses and the said buoy should be increased in the manner hereinafter appearing and that the dues fixed to be paid in respect of two of the said lighthouses should be repealed:

Now, therefore, His Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred upon Him by the said section 670 and of all other powers enabling Him in

(a) S.R. & O. 1931 (No. 1101) p. 803.

that behalf, is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered as follows:—

1. Subject to the provisions of article 2 of this Order the dues fixed by the Principal Order to be paid in respect of the lighthouses and buoy specified in Part I of the Schedule thereto shall be increased to threepence per ton and such increased dues shall be levied as from the 16th day of February, 1948, or from the time of the receipt of this Order, if that be later, by the officers authorised to collect light dues.

2. The dues fixed as aforesaid to be paid in respect of the lighthouses known as Gun Cay and Cay Sal are hereby repealed.

52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

3. The Interpretation Act, 1889, shall apply to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

4. This Order shall come into operation on the 16th day of February, 1948, and may be cited as the Colonial Light Dues (Bahamas) Order, 1948.

E. C. E. Leadbitter.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

This Order repeals the light dues in respect of two lighthouses in the Bahamas which have ceased to be a charge on the General Lighthouse Fund, and increases the light dues on the remaining lighthouses and a buoy in the Bahamas from 1d. to 3d. per register ton of every ship passing and deriving benefit from the lights.

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3. PORTS OF REGISTRY OVERSEAS

The British Solomon Islands Maritime Order in Council, 1948

1948 No. 2063

Made - - - -	*13th September,* 1948
Laid before Parliament	*14th September,* 1948
Coming into Operation	*On a date to be fixed by Order of the Resident Commissioner.*

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 13th day of September, 1948

Present,

The King's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Whereas it is desirable to amend the British Solomon Islands Maritime Order in Council, 1912(a) (hereinafter called the principal Order), by

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(a) S.R. & O. 1912 (No. 1862) p. 440.