
P.L. 2009-33

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4 **to amend section 842 of the Merchants Seafarers Act 1990, in order to include all seafarers**
5 **in the working hours, rest hours and overtime provisions of section 842.**
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8 **ENACTED BY THE NITIJELA OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS:**
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10 Section 1. **Short Title.**

11 This Act may be cited as the Merchants Seafarers (Amendment) Act, 2009.

12 Section 2. **Amendments.**

13 Section 842 of the Merchants Seafarers Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

14 **§ 842. Working hours, rest hours and overtime.**

15 In relation to all seafarers on a vessel engaged in foreign trade:

16 (a) the normal hours of work in port and at sea shall be eight per day;

17 (b) work performed over and above the eight-hour period shall be considered as overtime
18 and shall be compensated for at overtime rates;

19 (c) a sufficient number of seafarers shall be employed to promote safety of life at sea and to
20 avoid excessive overtime; and

21 (d) whenever the Master of any vessel shall fail to comply with this Section, he shall be
22 liable to a penalty not exceeding one hundred dollars (US\$100).

Section 3. Effective Date.

This Act shall take effect in accordance with the Constitution and the Rules of Procedures of the Nitijela.

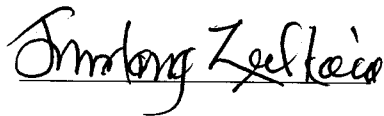
CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify:

1. That Nitijela Bill No: 61 was passed by the Nitijela of the Republic of the Marshall Islands on the 14th day of October, 2009; and
2. That I am satisfied that Nitijela Bill No: 61 was passed in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Constitution of the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the Rules of Procedures of the Nitijela.

I hereby place my signature before the Clerk this 9th day of November, 2009.

Attest:



Jurelang Zedkaia

Speaker

Nitijela of the Marshall Islands



Joe E. Riklon

Clerk

Nitijela of the Marshall Islands