

## ACT NO. 6 OF 2020



I assent.

J. K. KONROTE  
President

[27 March 2020]

## AN ACT

### TO AMEND THE CUSTOMS ACT 1986

ENACTED by the Parliament of the Republic of Fiji—

*Short title and commencement*

**1.**—(1) This Act may be cited as the Customs (COVID-19 Response) (Amendment) Act 2020.

(2) This Act comes into force on 1 April 2020.

*Section 52 amended*

**2.** The Customs Act 1986 is amended by deleting section 52 and substituting the following—

*“Period of warehousing*

52.—(1) If the owner does not lawfully remove any goods which have been deposited in a bonded warehouse within 12 months from the date the goods were deposited, the Comptroller may, after giving one month’s notice of his or her intention to do so to the owner, proceed to sell the goods in the prescribed manner or otherwise dispose of the goods, and the proceeds of any sale of the goods shall be dealt with in accordance with section 63.

(2) For the purposes of subsection (1), the Comptroller may allow any goods deposited in a bonded warehouse to be re-warehoused by the owner for a further period determined by the Comptroller.

(3) If the owner does not lawfully remove the goods deposited in a bonded warehouse within the extended period approved by the Comptroller in accordance with subsection (2), the Comptroller may, after giving one month's notice of his or her intention to do so to the owner, proceed to sell or dispose of the goods in accordance with subsection (1).”.

Passed by the Parliament of the Republic of Fiji this 27th day of March 2020.