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Passed by the National Parliament this second day of December 1999.

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.

Elizabeth Andrews
Clerk to National Parliament

Assented to in Her Majesty's name and on Her Majesty's behalf this tenth day of December 1999.

Rev. John Ini Lapli
Governor-General

Date of commencement: see section 1.

AN ACT TO AMEND THE INCOME TAX ACT.

ENACTED by the National Parliament of Solomon Islands.
THE INCOME TAX (AMENDMENT) ACT 1999

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

SECTION:

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3. Amendment of section 19.
4. Amendment of section 28.
5. Amendment of section 29.
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7. Amendment of section 33.
8. Amendment of section 48.
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10. Amendment of section 84.
11. Amendment of Fifth Schedule.
1. This Act may be cited as the Income Tax (Amendment) Act, 1999, and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may appoint by Notice published in the Gazette.

2. Section 18 of the Income Tax Act (as amended by Acts Nos. 12 and 13 of 1996) (hereinafter referred to as the ‘principal Act’) is hereby further amended in the following respects -

(a) in subsection (2) by deleting paragraphs (j) and (l); and

(b) by deleting subsection (2A) and substituting therefor the following new subsection -

“(2A) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (1), the expenditure incurred in respect of interest, royalty and management fees shall only be deductible where -

(a) withholding tax has been deducted and paid in respect of such income;

(b) such income is exempted under the terms of a Double Taxation Treaty; or

(c) such income is otherwise exempted or withholding tax is not deductible therefrom.”

3. Section 19 of the principal Act (as amended by Act No. 2 of 1998) is hereby further amended in the following respects -

(a) in subsection (2) by inserting at the end of the proviso to that subsection the following words -

“except to the extent that such losses arise from expenditure to which section 18(6) applies”; and

(b) by inserting immediately after subsection (2) the following new subsection as subsection (2A) -

“(2A) Where any loss is incurred outside
4. Subsection (1) of section 28 of the principal Act is hereby amended by deleting the words “such personal exemptions and of such amounts as are specified in this Part” and substituting therefor the words “a personal exemption of seven thousand eight hundred dollars.”.

5. Section 29 of the principal Act is hereby amended by deleting the words “five thousand one hundred dollars” and substituting therefor the words “seven thousand eight hundred dollars”.

6. Sections 30 and 31 of the principal Act are hereby repealed.

7. Section 33 of the principal Act is hereby amended in the following respects -

   (a) in subsection (1) by deleting the words “thirty-five” and substituting therefor the word “thirty”; and

   (b) in subsection (2) by deleting the words “fifty cents” and substituting therefor the words “thirty-five cents”.

8. Section 48 of the principal Act is hereby amended in the following respects -

   (a) in subsection (1) by deleting the words “five thousand one hundred dollars,” and substituting therefor the words “seven thousand eight hundred dollars,” and

   (b) by inserting immediately after subsection (1) the following new subsection as subsection (1A) -

   “(1A) Where the income of a
9. The principal Act is hereby amended by inserting immediately after section 48 the following new section as section 48A -

“Dependent 48A. The income of a dependent child's child, from employment or services rendered to a parent or business or company owned, operated or controlled by the parent, shall be deemed to be income of the child's parent for the purpose of ascertaining the parent's income, and shall be assessed, and the tax thereon charged, on the parent.”.

10. Section 84 of the principal Act is hereby amended by inserting the following new subsection as subsection (1A) -

“(1A) To the extent that any tax and any penalty charged under subsection (1) remain outstanding six months after the due date, a further amount equivalent to ten per centum of the tax and of the penalty so outstanding shall become payable by way of an additional penalty, and to the extent that such amounts (including any penalty chargeable under this subsection) continue to remain outstanding at six months intervals from that date, further amounts as additional penalty, equivalent to ten per centum of those outstanding amounts shall be chargeable and payable:

Provided, however, that for the purposes of this subsection where an amount payable pursuant to subsection (1) remains outstanding on the date of commencement of this subsection, the due date shall be deemed to be the first day of April 2000.”

11. The Fifth Schedule to the principal Act is hereby amended by deleting the words “$0.47” and substituting therefor...