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TORRES STRAIT FISHERIES ACT 1984

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REGULATIONS (AMENDMENT)

Section 19 of the Torres Strait Fisheries Act 1984 (the Act) provides that the Minister may, upon payment of the appropriate fee, grant to a person a licence in respect of a boat authorising the use of that boat for carrying, or for processing and carrying, fish that have been taken with the use of another boat. Section 24 of the Act provides that the Minister may, upon payment of the appropriate fee, renew such a licence.

The working party to the Torres Strait consultative committees, which comprises industry, islander and government representatives, recommended that the fee for the issue and

renewal of such a carrier/processor licence, when issued to a boat in respect of which a licence under subsection 19(2) of the Act is currently in force or is to be issued in conjunction with the carrier/processor licence, be reduced to \$20. This recommendation was approved by the Protected Zone Joint Authority which comprises the Commonwealth Minister for Primary Industries and Energy and the Queensland Minister for Primary Industries.

The regulation specifies the fee payable in respect of the grant or renewal of a carrier/processor licence when issued in either of these two circumstances.

The regulations will take effect on gazettal.

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