GOVERNMENT OF ZAMBIA

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An Act to amend the Customs and Excise Act.

[27th December, 2022

ENACTED by the Parliament of Zambia.

Enactment

- 1. (1) This Act may be cited as the Customs and Excise (Amendment) Act, 2022, and shall be read as one with the Customs and Excise Act, in this Act referred to as the principal Act.
- Short title and commencement Cap. 322
- This Act shall come into operation on 1st January, 2023.
- Despite subsection (2), section 188A shall come into operation on a date appointed by the Minister by statutory instrument.
 - Section 2 of the principal Act is amended—

Amendment of section 2

- by the deletion of the definitions of "manufacture" and "manufacturer" in relation to goods liable to excise duty or surtax other than imported goods and the substitution therefor of the following:
 - "manufacture" in relation to goods liable to excise duty or surtax, other than imported goods, includes the mixing, brewing, distilling, packaging, extraction, production or refining of goods liable to excise duty or surtax; and
 - "manufacturer in relation to goods liable to excise duty or surtax, other than imported goods" includes any person who is required to be licensed in terms of section 93 and any person who mixes, brews, distils, packages, extracts, produces or

refines goods liable to excise duty or surtax or who employs others to do so on account of such person and "licensed manufacturer" and cognate expressions shall be construed accordingly;; and

(b) by the insertion of the following new definitions in the appropriate places:

"competent authority" means a person, office or institution responsible for customs in another State;

"electronic fiscal device" has the meaning assigned to the words in the Value Added Tax Act; and

"Licensing Committee" means the Licensing Committee established under section 182B.

Amendment of section

32B

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3. Section 32B (2) of the principal Act is amended by the deletion of the word "five" and the substitution therefor of the word "three".

Amendment of section 84C **4.** Section 84C (2)(a) of the principal Act is amended by the insertion of the words "at least" immediately before the word "five".

Amendment of section 93

- 5. Section 93 of the principal Act is amended by the—
 - (a) insertion of the following new subsection immediately after subsection (1):
 - (2) Despite subsection (1), the Minister may, by statutory instrument, prescribe the goods that may be exempt from the requirement of obtaining a licence.; and
 - (b) renumbering of subsections (2) and (3) as subsections (3) and (4), respectively.

Amendment of section 151

- **6.** Section 151 of the principal Act is amended by the insertion of the following new paragraph immediately after paragraph (1):
 - (m) fraudulently charges excise duty or surtax on goods or services contrary to the provisions of this Act;.

7. The principal Act is amended by the insertion of the following new section immediately after section 182A:

Insertion of section 182B

182B. (1) There is established a Licensing Committee which shall review and approve an application for a licence to carry on the business of customs clearing and forwarding agent.

Establishment of Licensing Committee

- (2) The composition, tenure of office, proceedings, allowances and other matters connected with the Licensing Committee shall be prescribed.
- **8.** The principal Act is amended by the insertion of the following new section immediately after section 188:

Insertion of section 188A

- 188A. (1) A licensee and service provider shall use an electronic fiscal device to record each sale or transaction relating to goods and services liable to excise duty.
- Use of electronic fiscal device by licensee and service provider
- (2) Despite subsection (1), the Commissioner-General may approve the use of a document, device or equipment, other than an electronic fiscal device, for a certain category of licensees or service providers.
- (3) A licensee or service provider shall issue a tax invoice using an electronic fiscal device for the sale of goods or services rendered.
- (4) Despite subsection (3), the Commissioner- General may approve the issuance of a tax invoice using an approved computer application or preprinted tax invoice by a licensee or service provider.
- (5) A licensee or service provider that contravenes this section commits an offence and is liable, on conviction, in the case of a—
 - (a) first offence, to a penalty not exceeding one hundred thousand penalty units;
 - (b) second offence, to a penalty not exceeding two hundred thousand penalty units; and
 - (c) third or subsequent offence, to a penalty not exceeding three hundred thousand penalty units, or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three years, or to both.

Insertion of section 197A

9. The principal Act is amended by the insertion of the following new section immediately after section 197:

Reciprocity with competent authority

197A. The Authority may, for the purposes of exchanging information on customs matters or for mutual assistance in customs matters, enter into arrangements with a competent authority for sharing information on a reciprocal basis with that competent authority.

Amendment of section 198

- 10. Section 198(2) of the principal Act is amended by the insertion of the following paragraph immediately after paragraph (i):
 - (j) the supply and use of electronic fiscal device or other equipment in recording of sales and services.

Amendment of First Schedule 11. The First Schedule to the principal Act is amended as set out in Appendix I.

Amendment of Second Schedule **12.** The Second Schedule to the principal Act is amended as set out in Appendix II.

Amendment of Fourth Schedule **13.** The Fourth Schedule to the principal Act is amended as set out in Appendix III.

Amendment of Seventh Schedule

- **14.** The Seventh Schedule to the principal Act is amended by the deletion of paragraph 2 and the substitution therefor of the following:
 - 2. For the purposes of paragraph 1—
 - (a) the value of air time which is disposed of free of charge shall be deemed to be the value that would have been applicable if the air time had been sold to the final consumer in ordinary course of business; and
 - (b) "price" means the aggregate of all amounts paid or payable by the buyer to, or for, the benefit of the seller in respect of the services.

Amendment of ninth Schedule

15. The ninth Schedule to the principal Act is amend as set out in Appendix IV.

APPENDIX I (Section 11)

FIRST SCHEDULE (Section 72)

1. Chapter 1 is amended by the deletion of subheading 0106.49.00 and the substitution therefor of the following:

HS Code	Description of Goods	Statistical Unit of	Customs Duty
		Quantity	Rate
	—Other:		
0106.49.10	-Biological control		
	agents used in agriculture	No.	free
0106.49.90	—Other	No.	5%

2. Chapter 26 is amended by the deletion of subheading 2608.00.00 and the substitution therefor of the following

HS Code	Description of Goods	Statistical Unit of Quantity	Customs Duty Rate
26.08	Zinc ores and concentrates		
	Zinc Ores		
2608.00.11	Zincite,	tonne	5%
	zinc oxide		
2608.00.19	Other	tonne	5%
	Zinc ores		
	Zinc		
	Concentrates		
2608.00.21	Zincite	tonne	5%
	Zinc oxide		
2608.00.29	Other	tonne	
	Zinc		
	Concentrates		

- 3. Chapter 27 is amended in the customs duty rate column opposite—
 - (a) subheading 2703.00.00, by the deletion of the figure "15%" and the substitution therefor of the word "free"; and
 - (b) subheadings 2710.12.10 and 2710.19.10, by the deletion of the figure "25%" and the substitution therefor of the word "free".
- 4. Chapter 39 is amended by the insertion of the following new subheading immediately after subheading 3926.90.91:

HS Code	Description of Goods	Statistical Unit	Customs Duty	
		of Quantity	Rate	
3926.90.92	poultry drinkers	No.	free	
3926.90.93	poultry feeders	No.	free	

- 5. Chapter 73 is amended in the customs duty rate column opposite subheading 7311.00.00, by the deletion of the figure "15%" and the substitution therefor of the word "free".
- 6. Chapter 76 is amended in the customs duty rate column opposite subheading 7613.00.00, by the deletion of the figure "15%" and the substitution therefor of the word "free".
- 7. Chapter 87 is amended in the customs duty rate column opposite subheading—
 - (a) 8704.60.10, by the deletion of the figure "30%" and the substitution therefor of the figure "15%";
 - (b) 8711.60.00, by the deletion of the figure "25%" and the substitution therefor of the figure "15%"; and
 - (c) 8712.00.00, by the deletion of the figure "25%" and the substitution therefor of the figure "15%".

APPENDIX II (Section 12)

SECOND SCHEDULE

(Section 76)

- 1. The Second Schedule is amended—
 - (a) in heading 6(2), in the duty rate column opposite subheading 2207.20.10, by the deletion of the figure "125%" and the substitution therefor of the figure "60%";
 - (b) in heading 7, in the duty rate column opposite
 - heading 24.01, by the deletion of the figure "K355" and the substitution therefor of the figure "K361";
 - (ii) heading 24.02, by the deletion of the figure "K355" and the substitution therefor of the figure "K361"; and
 - subheadings 2403.11.00, 2403.19.10, 2403.19.90, 2403.91.00 and 2403.99.00, by the deletion of the figure "K355" and the substitution therefor of the figure "K361";
 - (c) by the deletion of heading 12 and the substition therefor of the following:

Heading Description of Goods	Harminised Commodity description and Coding System Heading	Statistical Unit of Quantity	Duty Rate
12 (1) Floor covering of plastics, whether or not self-adhesive, in roll or in the form of tiles; wall or ceiling covering of plastics, as defined in Note 9 to this Chapter	3918	Kg	15%
(2) Carrier bags for shopping with or withou handles	3923.21.91 at	Kg	30%
(3) Carrier bags for shopping with or withou handles	3923.29.91 uty	Kg	30%
(4) Office or School supplies	3926.10.00	Kg	15%
(5) Articles and Clothing accessories, not elsewher specified, for use in the textile industrial.		Kg	15%
(6) Other	3926.20.90	Kg	15%
(7) Fittings for furniture, coachwork or the like	3926.30.00	Kg	15%
(8) Statuettes and other ornamental articles	3926.40.00	Kg	15%
(9) other	3926.90.99	Kg	15%; and

⁽d) by the insertion of the following new heading immediately after heading 12:

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Heading	Description	Harmonised Commodity Description and Coding System	Statistical Unit of Quantity	Duty Rate
13	Electronic cigarettes and similar personal electric vaporising devices	8543.40.00	Kg	145%; and

⁽e) by the renumbering of headings 13 and 14 as headings 14 and 15, respectively.

APPENDIX III

(Section 13)

FOURTH SCHEDULE (Section 77)

- 1. The Fourth Schedule is amended—
 - (a) in Part I—
 - (i) in the surtax rate column opposite subheadings 0201.30.00, 0202.30.00, 0204.23.00 and 0204.43.00 by the deletion of the figure "5%" and the substitution therefor of the figure "10%"; and
 - (ii) by the insertion of the following goods in the appropriate places:

PART I SURTAX TARIFF ON IMPORTED GOODS GENERALLY

HS Code	Description of Goods	Surtax Rate
2701.11.00	Anthracite	5%
2701.12.00	Bituminous coal	5%
2701.19.00	Other coal	5%
2701.20.00	Briquettes, ovoids and similar solid fuels manufactured from coal	5%
3917.21.10	Garden hose of an internal diameter not exceeding 30.00mm	5%
3917.22.10	Garden hose of an internal diameter not exceeding 30.00mm	5%
3917.23.10	Garden hose of an internal diameter not exceeding 30.00mm	5%
3917.23.20	Rigid, of an internal diameter not exceeding 30.00mm	5%
3917.29.10	Garden hose of an internal diameter not exceeding 30.00mm	5%
3917.31.10	Garden hose of an internal diameter not exceeding 30.00mm	5%
3917.32.10	Garden hose of an internal diameter not exceeding 30.00mm	5%
6907.21.00	Flags and paving, hearth or wall tiles, other than those of subheadings	20%
	6907.30 and 6907.40 of a water absorption coefficient by weight not	
	exceeding 0.5%	
6907.22.00	Flags and paving, hearth or wall tiles, other than those of subheadings	20%
	6907.30 and 6907.40 of a water absorption coefficient by weight	
	exceeding 0.5% but not exceeding 10%	
6907.23.00	Flags and paving, hearth or wall tiles, other than those of subheadings	20%
	6907.30 and 6907.40 of a water absorption coefficient by weight	
	exceeding 10%	
6907.30.00	Mosaic cubes and the like, other than those of subheading 6907.40	20%
6907.40.00	Finishing ceramics	20%
6907.90.00	Other	20%
8716.39.00	Other	10%; and

(b) by the deletion of Part II (A) and the substitution therefor of the following:

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{PART II} \\ \text{(A) Surtax Tariff on Motor Vehicle Emissions} \end{array}$

Description of Goods	HS Tariff item under which classified	Statistical unit of quantity	Surt Qua	ax Rate Per rter
Carbon emissions from vehicles of headings:			Engine Capacity	Unit Tax (Fee units)
(1) EX.87.01 Tractors (Mechanical horses & similar tractive units)	EX.87.01	No.	Motor Cycles 0 - 1500cc	616 616
,			1501- 2000cc	1232
(2) 8702, 8703 and 8704 excluding emissions				
from vehicles propelled by non-pollutant energy sources, ambulances and	702, 8703 and 8704	No	2001- 3000cc	1760
prison vans; and			3001cc and above	2420

APPENDIX IV (Section 15)

NINTH SCHEDULE

(Section 72A)

The Ninth Schedule is amended in Chapter 26 by deletion of subheading 2608.00.00 and the substitution therefor of the following:

HS Code	Description of Goods	Statistical Unit of Quantity	Export Duty Rate	
26.08	Zinc ores and concentrates			
	Zinc Ores			
2608.00.11	Zincite, zinc oxide	tonne	10%	
2608.00.19	Other Zinc ores	tonne	10%	
	Zinc Concetrates			
2608.00.21	Zincites, zinc oxide	tonne	free	
2608.00.29	Other Zinc concentrates	tonne	free	