A Bill to amend the Tamil Nadu Fishermen and Labourers engaged in Fishing and other Allied Activities (Social Security and Welfare) Act, 2007.

BE it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Tamil Nadu in the Sixty-fifth Year of the Republic of India as follows:-

1. (1) This Act may be called the Tamil Nadu Fishermen and Labourers engaged in Fishing and other Allied Activities (Social Security and Welfare) Amendment Act, 2014.

(2) It shall come into force on such date as the State Government may, by notification, appoint.

2. In section 9 of the Tamil Nadu Fishermen and Labourers engaged in Fishing and other Allied Activities (Social Security and Welfare) Act, 2007, in sub-section (4), in clause (vi), for the expression “Public Works and Forest Departments”, the expression “Public Works, Fisheries and Forest Departments” shall be substituted.

Short title and commencement.

Amendment of section 9.
STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS.

As per clause (vi) of sub-section (4) of section 9 of the Tamil Nadu Fishermen and Labourers engaged in Fishing and other Allied Activities (Social Security and Welfare) Act, 2007, (Tamil Nadu Act 19 of 2007), a contribution at the rate of five per cent of the lease amount for fishing collected by the respective authorities in Revenue, Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments, Public Works and Forest Department and Local authorities is collected towards the Tamil Nadu Fishermen and Labourers engaged in Fishing and other Allied Activities (Social Security and Welfare) Fund established under the said Act. Fisheries Department is also leasing out the water bodies under its control in various districts for fishing. The Tamil Nadu Fishermen Welfare Board has by its resolution dated 17.02.2009 recommended to the Government to amend the said Tamil Nadu Act 19 of 2007 to include Fisheries Department in clause (vi) of sub-section (4) of section 9 of the said Act so as to collect contribution to the said fund, from the lease amount collected by authorities in Fisheries Department. Accordingly, the Government have decided to amend the said Tamil Nadu Act 19 of 2007, suitably for the purpose.

2. The Bill seeks to give effect to the above decision.

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