

# **An Act to Preserve and Maintain the Integrity and Force of the International Border of Lorem**

His Majesty the King of Lorem, on the advice and consent of the House of Commons in Parliament assembled, enacts as follows.

## **Short title**

1. This Act may be cited as the Customs Act.

## **Binding on the Crown**

2. This Act is binding on His Majesty the King in right of Lorem.

## **Interpretation**

3. In this Act,

**customs officer** means the minister, the King-in-Council, or any person designated under section 6 of this Act;

**regulations** means any regulation created by the minister or the King-in-Council under this Act

**port of entry** means any location designated under this Act as a place where persons may enter the country;

**minister** means the Minister of Public Safety;

prohibited item means any item designated as prohibited under this Act or any unlawful item per any other Act of Parliament;

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## **Power to regulate**

4. The King-in-Council may create regulations under this Act with respect to
  - a. ports of entry and exit to Lorem;
  - b. eligibility to enter and remain in Lorem;
  - c. travel documents;
  - d. prohibited items at ports of entry;
  - e. seized items;
  - f. declaration of items;

## **PART I**

### *General Provisions*

## **Designation of customs officer**

5. The minister may designate persons as customs officers by issuing a certificate of designation to those persons.

## **Powers of designated officer**

6. (1) A customs officer designated under this Act is designated as a special constable under the *Police Act* and may exercise that authority within the physical jurisdiction outlined in this Act.

(1.1) A customs officer is a special constable for the purpose of

- (a) maintaining the operations and civility of ports of entry;
- (b) maintaining the integrity and force of the border of Lorem and this Act; and
- (c) preventing unauthorised persons and items from entering Lorem.

(2) The physical jurisdiction of a customs officer is that area within Lorem including any port of entry, the area within 50 blocks of a port of entry, and any area within 25 blocks of the border of Lorem.

(2.1) When actively in pursuit of a person who a customs officer reasonably believes committed an offence under this Act within the jurisdiction set out in subsection (2), the jurisdiction of the customs officer who is in pursuit of that person is not limited to that area set out in subsection (2) until the pursuit has concluded.

(2.11) A pursuit under subsection (2.1) is deemed concluded when

- (a) the person being pursued has been apprehended;
- (b) the customs officer in pursuit loses contact with the individual for at least 10 seconds; or
- (c) the customs officer in pursuit declares the pursuit concluded.

(2.12) When a pursuit under subsection (2.1) has concluded, the customs officer shall return to their jurisdiction without unreasonable delay, and if the person being pursued was apprehended, the customs officer shall surrender that person to a peace officer without unreasonable delay before returning to their jurisdiction.

(3) A customs officer may search any person and the belongings of that person at a port of entry.

(4) A customs officer may seize any item found on a person if the customs officer reasonably believes that the item is prohibited under this Act or any Act of Parliament which a customs officer enforces.

(4.1) Any item seized under subsection (4) must be catalogued, then stored in a secure location for a period of time set out under this Act, and, once that time has expired, securely destroyed except as required for any reason under any other Act of Parliament.

(4.2) When an item is seized under subsection (4), a form must be given to the person with care and control of the item at the time of the seizure containing the name and badge number of the seizing officer, a description and quantity of the seized items, the date and time of seizure, and instructions outlining how the owner of the item can get the item returned to them.

(5) A customs officer may remove a person from Lorem for any reason under this Act.

(6) Where a person is deemed ineligible to enter Lorem, a customs officer must refuse to grant that person authorisation for entry to Lorem.

#### **Eligible unless deemed otherwise**

7. All persons are eligible to enter Lorem unless deemed ineligible under this Act.

#### **Offenders**

7.1. Except as authorised by the minister, a person who has committed a criminal offence is ineligible to enter Lorem for 1 year after the date of their conviction or 1 year after the completion of their term of imprisonment, whichever is later.

#### **Citizens' rights**

8. (1) Citizens of Lorem are always eligible to remain in the country.

(2) Citizens of Lorem are only required to present proof of citizenship to enter Lorem.

(3) There shall be no regulation or Act abridging subsection (1).

## **PART II**

### *Offences under this Act*

#### **Disrupt port of entry**

9. No person shall disrupt the normal operation of any port of entry by creating a scene, refusing to follow reasonable and lawful instructions made by a customs officer, or by blocking access to the entrance or exit of the port of entry.

#### **Requirement to surrender**

10. No person shall enter or attempt to enter Lorem without receiving authorisation from a customs officer at a port of entry.

#### **Requirement to leave**

11. (1) Except under exigent circumstances, when a person becomes ineligible to remain in Lorem, that person must take every reasonable step to leave Lorem within 24 hours of becoming ineligible.

#### **Returning after conviction**

(2) Any person convicted of an offence and removed from Lorem under subsection (1) may not return to Lorem for a period of 30 days beginning on and excluding the day they are removed from Lorem.

#### **Making false statements**

12. No person shall make a false statement in any manner to a customs officer for the purpose of receiving authorization for any person or item to enter Lorem.

**Declaration of items**

**13.** (1) All persons at a port of entry must declare to a customs officer possession of any item identified under this Act.

(2) Where a person does not declare an item identified under this Act in their possession, that item is considered a prohibited item.

**Smuggling**

**14.** No person shall move or attempt to move a prohibited item across the border of Lorem or through a port of entry.

**Offences and punishment**

. (1) Every person who contravenes any section of Part II of this Act is guilty of a Title I indictable offence punishable by a term of imprisonment not exceeding 1 year, or a fine not exceeding 128 diamonds, or removal from Lorem and future ineligibility to enter Lorem for a term not exceeding 2 years, or any combination of the aforementioned punishments.

(2) Except as otherwise specified, where a person is both imprisoned and removed from Lorem under subsection (1), that person shall be ineligible to return to Lorem for a term equaling the length of their term of imprisonment plus 365 days.