

A BILL

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An Act to validate the collection of fees in respect of entrance to any museum administered or exhibition organized by the Department of Museums Malaysia during the period from 1 January 1991 to 11 June 2012.

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ENACTED by the Parliament of Malaysia as follows:

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the Fees (Department of Museums Malaysia) (Validation) Act 2013.

Validation and indemnity

2. (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of the Fees Act 1951 [Act 209], the fees which were charged and collected by the Department of Museums Malaysia in respect of entrance to any museum administered or exhibition organized by the Department of Museums Malaysia during the period from 1 January 1991 to 11 June 2012 shall be deemed to have been validly charged and collected.

(2) No action or legal proceeding shall be brought, instituted or maintained against the Government of Malaysia or any officer of the Government of Malaysia or any person acting under them in respect of any fees which were charged and collected during the period referred to in subsection (1), and if any such action or legal proceeding has been brought, instituted or maintained, it shall be discharged and made void and no refund in respect of the fees charged and collected as stated in this Act shall be made.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This Bill seeks to validate the collection of fees which were charged and collected in respect of entrance to any museum administered or exhibition organized by the Department of Museums Malaysia during the period from 1 January 1991, being the date on which the fees were first collected, to 11 June 2012, being the day before the date of coming into operation of the Fees (Museum and Exhibition) (Department of Museums Malaysia) Order 2012 [*P.U. (A) 173/2012*]. The fees were collected by the Department of Museums Malaysia and paid into the Trust Account of the Department of Museums Malaysia. However, the fees charged and collected were not gazetted under the Fees Act 1951 by way of a Fees Order which should have been enacted and made effective from 1 January 1991.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

This Bill will not involve the Government in any extra financial expenditure.

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