

REPUBLIC OF KIRIBATI  
(No. 8 of 1983)

I assent,

*U. Tabai*  
Beretitenti.  
11th May, 1983.

AN ACT TO AMEND THE FISHERIES ORDINANCE  
(Chapter 33).

Commencement:  
11th May, 1983.

MADE by the Maneaba ni Maungatabu and assented to by the Beretitenti.

- Short title. 1. This Act may be cited as the Fisheries (Amendment) Act 1983.
- Commencement. 2. This Act shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may by notice in the Gazette appoint.
- Amends S.2 of Cap. 33 3. Section 2 of the Principal Ordinance is amended deleting the definition of 'fishery limits' and substituting therefor:
- "fishery limits' means the exclusive economic zone of Kiribati or such part of that zone as is defined by the Minister, for the purpose by Notice published in the Gazette".
- Further amends S.2 of Cap. 33. 4. Section 2 of the Principal Ordinance is further amended by, in the definition of 'territorial sea' deleting '3 geographical miles' and substituting therefor '12 geographical miles'.

This printed impression has been carefully examined by me with the Bill which passed the Maneaba ni Maungatabu on 2nd May 1983 and is found by me to be a true and correctly printed copy of the said Bill.

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Clerk to the Maneaba  
ni Maungatabu.

I certify that the above Act was on the 2nd day of May 1983 passed by the Maneaba ni Maungatabu on a certificate of urgency under Section 68(3)(a) of the Constitution.

*Speaker*  
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Speaker.

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Clerk to the Maneaba ni  
Maungatabu.

FISHERIES (AMENDMENT) ACT 1983

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

The brief amendments to the Fisheries Ordinance (Cap. 33) are required to achieve conformity with the Marine Zones (Declaration) Act 1983. That Act has yet to be passed and assented to, and the Fisheries (Amendment) Act is for practical purposes conditional on the Marine Zones (Declaration) Act becoming law. It is for that reason that the Fisheries (Amendment) Act will take effect only on an appointed date.

This Act provides that fishery limits shall be the same as the exclusive economic zone, or part of such zone as may be decided by the Minister. It also increases the limit of the territorial seas to 12 from 3 miles. Although the Marine Zones (Declaration) Act so provides, it has been felt advisable for purposes of clarity and reference to specifically amend the Fisheries Ordinance in this regard.

R.L. Davey  
Attorney General

LEGAL REPORT

I hereby certify my opinion that none of the provisions of this Act conflict with the provisions of the Constitution and that the Beretitenti may properly assent to the Act.

R.L. Davey  
Attorney General  
8 March 1983