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AN ACT to make provision for the transmission of advance passenger information respecting persons travelling to Trinidad and Tobago and for matters related thereto

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THE IMMIGRATION (ADVANCE PASSENGER INFORMATION) BILL, 2006

Explanatory Note

(These notes form no part of the Bill but are intended only to indicate its general purport)

The Bill seeks to place an obligation on the master of every ship, boat, aircraft or other air and sea carrier bringing passengers to Trinidad and Tobago, to provide to the Chief Immigration Officer the information contained in the travel documents of such passengers. The Bill would require this information to be provided prior to the departure of the vessel from its last port of call.

A penalty would be imposed for breach of the requirement of the Bill.

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Enactment

ENACTED by the Parliament of Trinidad and Tobago as follows:—

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the Immigration (Advance Passenger Information) Act, 2006.

Interpretation
Chap. 18:01

2. In this Act—

"advance passenger information" means the information in respect of a passenger, crew member or other occupant transported in the vessel;

"master" means a person having command or charge of any vessel;

"Minister" means the Minister to whom responsibilty for national security is assigned;

Duty to provide advance passenger information

"vessel" includes any ship, boat, aircraft or other floating or airborne contrivance.

3. (1) Subject to subsection 2, the master of every vessel destined for Trinidad and Tobago, prior to departure of the vessel from the last port of call before Trinidad and Tobago, shall provide to the Chief Immigration Officer **the advance passenger information data detailed in the Schedule**.

(2) Subsection (1) applies only to ships exceeding one hundred net tons.

(3) A master who intentionally or recklessly—

(a) fails to transmit the data required by subsection (1); or

(b) transmits incomplete or false data,

is deemed to have committed an offence in Trinidad and Tobago and is liable to a fine of six hundred thousand dollars.

(4) The Minister may by Order waive the **requirement for a master of a vessel to provide the advance passenger information data under** subsection (1).

4. This Act expires on 30th June, 2007. Expiry of Act

SCHEDULE

(Section 3)

ADVANCE PASSENGER INFORMATION DATA

PART I

VESSEL DATA

Traveller's Status
(Passenger, Crew, In-transit)

Flight Identification
(IATA Airline code and flight number)

Vessel Identification
(vessel name and voyage number)

Scheduled Departure Date
(Date of scheduled departure of vessel—based on local time of departure location)

Scheduled Departure Time
(Time of scheduled departure of vessel—based on local time of departure location)

Scheduled Arrival Date
(Date of scheduled arrival of vessel—based on local time of arrival location)

Scheduled Arrival Time
(Time of scheduled arrival of vessel—based on local time of arrival location)

Last Place/Port of Call of Vessel

(Vessel departed from this last foreign place/port of call to go to "place/port of vessel initial arrival")

Place/Port of Vessel Initial Arrival

(Place/port in the country of destination where the vessel arrives from the "last place/port of call of vessel")

Subsequent Place/Port of Call within the country

Number of Passengers

(Total number of passengers on board)

PART II

PASSENGER DATA

(a) Core Data Elements of the Official travel Document

Official Travel Document Number

(Passport or other official travel document number)

Issuing State or Organisation of the Official Travel Document

(Name of the State or Organisation responsible for the issuance of the official travel document)

Official Travel Document Type

(Indicator to identify type of official travel document)

Expiration Date of Official Travel document

(Expiration date of the official travel document)

Surname/Given Name(s)

(Family name and given name(s) of the holder as it appears on the official travel document)

Nationality

Date of Birth

Gender

(b) Additional data elements (if applicable)

Visa Number

Issue Date of the Visa

Place of Issuance of the Visa

Type of Other Document used for travel
(Indicator to identify type of document used for travel)

Other Document Number used for Travel
(The other document used for travel when the official travel document is not required)

Place of Birth
(Place of birth such as city and country)

Passed in the Senate this day of , 2006.

Clerk of the Senate

I confirm the above.

President of the Senate

Passed in the House of Representatives this day of , 2006.

Clerk of the House

I confirm the above.

Speaker

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