



No 1 ]            *Income Tax (Amendment) (No. 2) Act*            [ 2010.

**Short title**

1. This Act may be cited as the Income Tax (Amendment) (No. 2) Act 2010.

**Interpretation**

2. In this Act, “principal Act” means the Income Tax Act, Cap.15.02.

**Amendment of section 54**

3. Section 54 of the principal Act is amended –

(a) by deleting subsection (1) and substituting the following:

“(1) A resident individual is entitled to a deduction in respect of any amount paid during the year of income with respect to the following –

- (a) subject to subsections (2) and (3), interest upon money borrowed by him or her and applied for the acquisition or construction of, or improvements to an owner occupied dwelling house; however, the deduction allowable for any year of income in respect of such expenditure must not exceed \$18 000.00;
- (b) taxes incurred in respect of an owner occupied dwelling house;
- (c) insurance premiums on an owner occupied dwelling house;
- (d) expenses reasonably incurred in the upkeep and maintenance of an owner occupied dwelling house; however the deduction allowable for any year of income in respect of such expenditure must not exceed \$10 000.00.”; and

(b) by inserting the following after subsection (1):

“(1A) Notwithstanding subsection (1)(a), the deduction allowable for first time homeowners with respect

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to interest upon money borrowed and applied for the acquisition or construction of an owner occupied dwelling house during the period January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2010 must not exceed \$20,000.00.

(1B) The maximum deduction allowable on mortgage interest under subsection (1)(a) applies to all eligible homeowners after the period ending December 31, 2010.”.

**Amendment of section 136**

4. Section 136 of the principal Act is amended in subsection (2) by inserting the words “or part thereof” between the words “month” and “that”.

**Amendment of Schedule 6**

5. Schedule 6 of the principal Act is amended by adding the following after 2003 and 16, 000 respectively –

“2009                    17,000 effective 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2009.”.

Passed in the House of Assembly this 8th day of December, 2009.

ROSEMARIE HUSBANDS-MATHURIN,  
*Speaker of the House.*

Passed in the Senate this 15th day of December, 2009.

GAIL V. PHILIP,  
*President of the Senate.*