



LAND (AMENDMENT) ACT 1997

No 3 of 1997

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAND ACT

I assent TAUFA'AHAU TUPOU IV, 25th June, 1997

[17th June, 1997]

BE 1T ENACTED by the King and the Legislative Assembly of Tonga in the Legislature of the Kingdom as follows:

- 1. This Act may be cited as the Land (Amendment) Act 1997.
- 2. The Land Act (Chapter 132) is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.
- 3. Section 149(1) of the Principal Act is amended by adding a new paragraph (e) thereto as follows:
 - "(e) To hear and determine any question or amount of damages, loss, compensation, mesne profit, rent or claim in respect of any allotment, lease, sub-lease. permit or interests of any kind in any land."
- 4. Section 152 of the Principal Act is amended by deleting therefrom all of the proviso hereto, namely the following words:

"Provided always that no costs shall be awarded to or against the Crown except in the case of an action brought under Division IV of Part IV of this Act, where the Court may award costs to the Crown not exceeding \$1."

Passed by the Legislative Assembly this 17th day of June, 1997.