

REPUBLIC OF KIRIBATI



(No. 25 of 2022)



I assent,

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Beretitenti

3/2/2023

AN ACT

entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE KIRIBATI TOURISM ACT 2018

Commencement: .....

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

**1. Short title and commencement**

This Act may be cited as the *Kiribati Tourism (Amendment) Act 2022*.

**2. Meaning of ‘principal Act’**

In this Act principal Act means the *Kiribati Tourism Act 2018*.

### **3. Amendment of section 6**

Section 6(1) of the principal Act is amended by deleting the whole subsection and substituting the following:

“The TAK shall be governed by a Board of Directors to be appointed by the Minister. The Board shall consist of EIGHT (8) members as follows:

- (a) A Chairperson;
- (b) A Deputy Chairperson;
- (c) 2 representatives from the private sector from the Tourism industry;
- (d) 1 representative from the grassroots or local community;
- (e) 1 member with a legal background (lawyer);
- (f) 1 member with a Financial Management background; and
- (g) 1 member from the Line and Phoenix Islands.”

### **4. Amendment of section 7**

Section 7(2) of the principal Act is amended by replacing the figure ‘6’ with “12” and it shall read as follows:

“The Board will be required to meet no more than 12 times during a financial year”.

## **EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM**

The Kiribati Tourism (Amendment) Act 2022 amends sections 6 and 7 of the Kiribati Tourism Act 2018.

The amendment to section 6 aims to increase the Board of TAK's capacity and capability by increasing the number of members of the Board from 5 to 8 members. The change also widened the profession of the Board members to be comprehensive by prescribing the qualifications to include a lawyer, a financial management expert, a member from the Line & Phoenix Islands and one from the grassroots or local community. All members are appointed by the Minister.

The second amendment is to section 7 of the Act, where the number of times for the Board to convene a meeting is increased from 6 to 12 times during its financial year. Again, the aim is to resolve a problem of limited time for the Board to meet to perform its duties under the Act.

The Kiribati Tourism (Amendment) Act 2022 aims to provide the Board of TAK with the required knowledge and sufficient time, to perform its responsibilities and achieve its objectives under the principal Act.

**Honourable Bootii Nauan**  
**Minister for Tourism, Commerce, Industry and Cooperatives**

### **LEGAL REPORT**

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

**Ms. Pauline Beiatau**  
**Officer in Charge**  
**Office of Attorney General**

**CERTIFICATE OF THE CLERK OF THE MANEABA NI  
MAUNGATABU**

This printed impression of the Kiribati Tourism (Amendment) Act 2022 has been carefully examined by me with the Bill which passed by the Maneaba ni Maungatabu on the 6 December 2022 and is found by me to be a true and correctly printed copy of the said Bill.

  
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**Eni Tekanene**  
**Clerk of the Maneaba ni Maungatabu**

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