Unofficial Translation\*

Royal Decree regulating the Maritime Port Business as Commercial Enterprise which is Public Utility affecting the Social Security or Welfare of the Citizen, B.E. 2522 (1979)

> BHUMIBOL ADULYADEJ, REX; Given on the 19<sup>th</sup> Day of March B.E. 2522; Being the 34<sup>th</sup> Year of the Present Reign.

His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej is graciously pleased to proclaim that:

Whereas it is expedient to specify the law on...;

Be it, therefore, enacted by the King by and with the advice and consent of the National Legislative Assembly, as follows:

**Section 1** This Royal Decree is called "The Royal Decree regulating the Maritime Port Business as Commercial Enterprise which is Public Utility affecting the Social Security or Welfare of the Citizen, B.E. 2522 (1979)".

**Section 2** This Royal Decree shall come into force as from the day following the date of its publication in the Government Gazette.

Section 3 Maritime port, comprises of service of berthing, loading, or transferring cargo to sea-going vessel sizing above 500 gross tonnage, whether any payment has been requested for the service, shall be regarded as commercial enterprise that is public utility affecting the social security or welfare of the citizen.

**Section 4** Ministry of Transport shall be the competent authorities regarding the provision of Section 3.

Section 5 Minister of Transport shall be in charge of execution of this Royal Decree.

Countersigned by Sor. Hotrakitya Deputy-Prime Minister

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