STAMP DUTY (AMENDMENT) BILL 2002

COMMITTEE STAGE

Amendments to be moved by the Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury

<u>Clause</u>

Amendment Proposed

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- (a) In the proposed section 18I -
 - (i) by adding -
 - "(1A) The power of the
 Collector under subsection (1)
 shall not, in the case where a
 stamp certificate has been issued,
 be exercised more than 6 years
 from the expiration of the time
 for stamping the instrument.";
 - (ii) in subsection (2)(b), by deleting
 everything after "issued," and
 substituting -
 - "the person who fails to comply with subsection (1) shall incur a penalty at level 2 which shall be recoverable by the Collector as a civil debt due to the Government.".
- (b) In the proposed section 18J -
 - (i) in subsection (1) -
 - (A) in paragraph (b), by adding
 "or" at the end;

- (B) by deleting paragraph (c) and
 substituting -
 - "(c) requested by any
 person who has shown
 to the satisfaction
 of the Collector
 that the stamp
 certificate contains
 any error.";
- (C) by deleting paragraph (d);
- (ii) by adding -
 - "(1A) For the purposes of subsection (1)(c), an error contained in a stamp certificate does not include a case where upon the assessment of the stamp duty of an instrument by the Collector under section 13, the instrument is found to be insufficiently stamped.";
- (iii) in subsection (2)(a) -
 - (A) in subparagraph (i), by
 adding "or" at the end;
 - (B) by deleting subparagraph (ii)
 and substituting -
 - "(ii) the person who has
 made the request
 for cancellation of
 the stamp
 certificate; and";
 - (C) by deleting subparagraph
 (iii);

- (iv) in subsection (4), by deleting ",
 upon request or on his own
 initiative,";
 - (v) in subsection (5), by deleting
 "concerning" and substituting
 "which results in";
- (vi) by deleting subsection (6).

new By adding -

"24A. Representations may be made to Collector before certain penalties are imposed

Section 58A(1) is amended by adding "18I(2)(b)," after "15(2),".".