

**REPUBLIC OF NAURU**  
**BUSINESS TAX (AMENDMENT) BILL 2016**  
**SECOND READING SPEECH**  
**Honorable David Adeang MP**  
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Mr. Speaker Sir,

I have the pleasure of introducing to the House today a Bill for the *Business Tax (Amendment) Act 2016*.

The Business Tax Act imposed a range of taxes including a business profits tax, small business tax, non-resident tax and international transportation tax. These taxes provide much needed government revenue and assists in the building of Nauru's economy.

The amendment proposes to limit the transitional provisions to exempt only those agreements made between the government and other entities within a period of two years of the commencement date of the Principal Act. This is generally accepted as being the normal maximum duration of any investment incentive period.

Mr. Speaker, the explanatory memorandum explains this Bill in more detail.

Mr. Speaker, I commend the Bill to the House.