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Arrangement of Provisions

1. Short title and commencement
   (1) This Act may be cited as the Lands, Surveys and Environment Amendment Act 2016.
   (2) This Act commences on the date of assent.

2. Section 31 amended
   For section 31(1) of the principal Act, after paragraph (a), insert:

   “(aa) if the applicant:
       (i) is applying for a lease of government land which is 10 acres or less for the purpose of -"
(A) a hotel, resort or serviced apartment; or
(B) any other tourism related development approved by the Board; and
(ii) is making at least $10 million capital investment on the hotel, resort or serviced apartment or tourism related development; and”.

3. **Section 37 amended** - For section 37 of the principal Act, after subsection (2) insert:

“(2A) As an exception to the terms of lease in subsection (1), the Board may grant a lease of government land for a term not exceeding 99 years if the land has been alienated under sections 29 and 31(1)(aa).”.

4. **Section 54 amended** - In section 54(2) of the principal Act, for the proviso, after “production thereof” insert “or for the purchase of any unit estate under the Unit Titles Act 2009”.

5. **Consequential amendment** - Section 23 of the Survey Act 2010 is amended as follows:
   (a) at the end of subsection (1), add “, unless exempted under subsection (1A)”;
   (b) after subsection (1) insert:

   “(1A) The Chief Executive Officer may exempt any subdivision plan or definition plan for a tourism development approved by the Chief Executive Officer from the requirements of subsection (1) to set aside land as a public reserve.”.

The Lands, Surveys and Environment Amendment Act 2016 is administered by the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment.

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