

LAWS OF DOMINICA

BILLS OF LADING ACT

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**Note
on
Subsidiary Legislation**

This Chapter contains no Subsidiary Legislation.

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AN ACT relating to bills of lading.

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Commencement.

1. This Act may be cited as the –

Short title.

BILLS OF LADING ACT.

2. Every consignee of goods named in a bill of lading, and every endorsee of a bill of lading, to whom the property in the goods therein mentioned passes upon or by reason of the consignment or endorsement, shall have transferred to and vested in him all rights of suit, and be subject to the same liabilities, in respect of the goods as if the contract contained in the bill of lading had been made with himself.

Rights under bill of lading to vest in consignee or endorsee.

3. Nothing herein contained shall prejudice or affect any rights of stoppage *in transitu*, or any right to claim freight against the original shipper or owner, or any liability of the consignee or endorsee by reason or in consequence of his being the consignee or endorsee, or of his receipt of the goods by reason or in consequence of the consignment or endorsement.

Not to affect right of stoppage or claims for freight.

4. Every bill of lading in the hands of a consignee or endorsee for valuable consideration, representing goods to have been shipped on board a vessel, shall be conclusive evidence of the shipment as against the master or other person signing the same, notwithstanding that the goods or some part thereof may not have been so shipped, unless the holder of the bill of lading has had actual notice, at the time of receiving the same, that the goods had not been in fact laden on board; but the master or other person so signing may exonerate himself in respect of the misrepresentation by showing that it was caused without any default on his part and wholly by the fraud of the shipper, or of the holder, or some person under whom the holder claims.

Bill of lading in hands of consignee, etc., conclusive evidence of the shipment as against master, etc.

