Act of 22 May 2017 No. 28 relating to grants for the employment of employees at sea

Section 1 Purpose

The purpose of the grant scheme for the employment of employees at sea is to encourage maritime activity. The scheme shall ensure Norwegian maritime competence, the recruitment of Norwegian employees at sea and contribute to competitive conditions for Norwegian companies compared to the conditions of other countries.

Section 2 Grant recipients

Grants may be awarded to any organisation operating ships registered in the Norwegian Ordinary Ship Register (NOR)¹ or the Norwegian International Ship Register (NIS)².

1 See Chapter 2 of the Norwegian Maritime Code.

2 See Act of 12 June 1987 No. 48.

Section 3 Calculation of grants

Grants are calculated based on tax deductions, social security contributions and Norwegian employer's contributions for employees entitled to grants under the scheme.

Section 4 Regulations

The Ministry may issue regulations containing further provisions relating to the organisation of the grant scheme, such as provisions on scope of application, calculation of grants and administration of the scheme, and on duties and sanctions for private individuals in connection with the public administration's supervision of the grant scheme.

Section 5 Entry into force

This Act enters into force from the date decided by the King.¹

The current Regulations on grants for the employment of employees at sea² are also applicable after the entry into force of the Act.

1 From 1 June 2017 acc. to Formal Delegation of 22 May 2017 No. 616.

2 Regulations of 26 February 2016 No. 2014.