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LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS ON TREATY
PRACTICE OF THE STATE OF
BRUNEI DARUSSALAM
(NATION OF BRUNEI, ABODE OF PEACE)**

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Constitution of Brunei Darussalam (Revised edition 2011)

[Extracts of relevant provisions]

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Executive authority and principal officers.

4 (1):

The supreme executive authority of Brunei Darussalam shall be vested in His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan

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Power to make laws.

39:

His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan shall have the power to make laws for the peace, order, security and good government of Brunei Darussalam.

Introduction of Bills

40 (1):

Subject to this Constitution and to the Standing Orders, any Member of the Legislative Council may introduce any Bill or propose any motion for debate in, or present any petition to the Legislative Council; and such Bill, motion or petition shall be debated and disposed of in accordance with the Standing Orders.

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Description of Bills, motions and petitions not to proceed without approval

42 (1):

Except with the prior approval of His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan, a Member of the Legislative Council shall not introduce or propose, and the Legislative Council shall not proceed upon, any Bill, any amendment to any Bill, or any motion, petition or business which, in the opinion of His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan, falls within any of the following classes —

...

(b) any Bill, motion, petition or business which shall appear inconsistent with obligations imposed upon His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan by Treaty or Agreement with another power or State;

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Note:

- There is no specific law or non-official document dealing with Treaty-making in Brunei Darussalam.
- The full text of the Revised Edition of Brunei's Constitution (2011) can be accessed on the website of the Attorney General's Chambers of Brunei Darussalam:
http://www.agc.gov.bn/agc1/images/LOB/cons_doc/constitution_i.pdf