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I Assent,

James B. Carlisle, Governor-General.

15th September, 2000.

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No. 14 of 2000

AN ACT to amend the Vehicles and Road Traffic Act, Cap. 460

[21st September, 2000]

ENACTED by the Parliament of Antigua and Barbuda as follows:

- 1. This Act may be cited as the Vehicles and Road Traffic Short title. (Amendment) Act, 2000.
- 2. Section **2** of the Vehicles and Road Traffic Act, in this Amendment of Act referred to as the "principal Act", is amended by section **2**.
 - (a) repealing the full stop at the end of the section and substituting a semi colon; and
 - (h) inserting after the last definition the following:
 - "'Vehicle Examiner' means a person appointed under the Transport Board Regulations as Vehicle Examiner.".
- 3. After section **2** of the principal Act the following section is inserted:

 Inserted:

Insertion of section 2A of Cap. 460.

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"2A. For the proper administration of this Act and its Regulations and the Transport Board Act and its Regulations reference to a police officer in the enforcement of the Act and its Regulations shall include a reference to a traffic warden.

Amendment of section 3.

- **4.** Section 3 of the principal Act is repealed and the following substituted:
 - "3. The Antigua and Barbuda Transport Board as established under the Transport Board Act, 1995 (in this Act referred to as the Board) shall be responsible for regulating proper management of ground transportation and to advise Government on matters relating to ground transportation."

Amendment of section **4**.

- 5. Section 4 of the principal Act is amended as follows:
 - (a) in subsection (1)
 - (i) by repealing "(I)"; and
 - (ii) by repealing paragraph (e) and substituting the following;
 - "(e) to enforce the provisions of this Act and its Regulations and the Transport Board Act and its Regulations."; and
 - (b) by repealing subsections (2) and (3).

Amendment of section 5.

- 6. Section 5 of the principal Act is repealed and the following substituted:
 - "5. It shall be the duty of **the** Commissioner of Inland Revenue in accordance with the provisions of this Act
 - (a) to issue licences in respect of vehicles;
 - (b) to keep a register of licensed motor vehicles;
 - (c) to keep a register of animal drawn vehicles **and** pedal bicycles; and

- to perform all other duties that may be conferred or (d) imposed on him by this Act or any other Act and the regulations made under the Acts.".
- 7. Section 9 of the principal Act is amended as follows:

Amendment of section 9.

- by repealing the colon at the end of subsection (2) and substituting **a** full stop;
- by renumbering the proviso as subsection (3); and (b)
- in the renumbered subsection (3) inserting after "87" (c) the following:

"or the Transport Board Regulations".

8. Section 18 of the principal Act is amended by repealing Amendment of "Commissioner of Inland Revenue" in the last place it occurs section 18. and substituting the following:

"Board".

9. Section 19 of the principal Act is amended by inserting Amendment of after "Register of' the following:

section 19.

"licensed".

10. Section 20 of the principal Act is amended in subsection Amendment of (1) (b) by repealing "an Examining Officer" and substituting section 20. the following:

"a Vehicle Examiner".

11. Section 23 of the principal Act is amended as follows:

Amendment of section 23.

in paragraph (a) by inserting after "Register of the (a) following:

"licensed"; and

in paragraph (b) by repealing "the Examining Officer" and substituting the following:

"a Vehicle Examiner'.

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Amendment of section 26.

12. Section 26 of the principal Act is amended in subsection (1) by inserting after "Act" the following:

", the Transport Board Act".

Amendment of section 27.

- 13. Section 27 of the principal Act is amended as follows:
 - (a) by inserting after "on" in the second place it occurs, the following:

"proof of"; and

(b) by inserting after "Register of the following:

"licensed".

Amendment of section 28.

14. Section 28 of the principal Act is amended in subsection (2) by repealing "section 13" and substituting the following:

"the Schedule to the Transport Board Regulations".

Amendment of section 29.

15. Section 29 of the principal Act is amended in subsection (2) by repealing "identificationmarks" and substituting **the** following:

"registration number plates".

Amendment of section 36.

- 16. Section 36 of the principal Act is amended in subsection (1) as follows:
 - (a) in paragraph (a) by inserting after "Act" 'the following:
 - ", the Transport Board Act and its Regulations"; and
 - (b) in paragraph (e) by repealing "Commissioner of Inland Revenue" and substituting the following:

"Board".

Amendment of section 48.

17. Section 48 of the principal Act is amended in paragraph (a) by inserting after "Act" the following:

[&]quot;, the Transport Board Act".

18. Section 65 of the principal Act is amended in subsection (1) (a) by repealing "identification marks" and substituting the following:

Amendment of section 65.

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"registration number plates".

19. Section 66 of the principal Act is amended as follows:

Amendment of section 66.

- (a) in subsection (1)(a) by
 - (i) repealing "identification marks" and substituting the following:

"registration number plate"; and

- (ii) inserting after "Act" the following:
 - "or the Transport Board Regulations"; and
- (b) in subsection (1)(1) by inserting after "Act" the following:

", the Transport Board Act and its Regulations".

20. Section 71 of the principal Act is amended by inserting after "Act" the following:

Amendment of section 71.

"or the Transport Board Act and its Regulations"

21. Section 72 of the principal Act is amended in **subsec**tions **(6)**, **(7)** and **(8)** by repealing "Commissioner of Inland Revenue" wherever it occurs and substituting the following:

Amendment of section 72.

"Board"

22. Section 76 of the principal Act is amended as follows:

Amendment of section 76.

(a) by inserting after "of" in the first place it occurs the following:

"licensed"; and

(b) by repealing the following:

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"the Register of Licensed Motor Drivers, the Register of Licensed Conductors,".

Amendment of section 77.

23. Section 77 of the principal Act is amended by inserting after "Act" the following:

"or the Transport Board Act and its Regulations".

Amendment of section 79.

- **24.** Section 79 of the principal Act is amended as follows:
 - (a) in subsection (1) by inserting after "Act" the following:
 - ", the Transport Board Act"; and
 - (c) in subsection (2) by repealing "Commissioner of Iniand Revenue" and substituting the following:

"Board".

Amendment of section 83.

- 25. Section 83 of the principal Act is amended as follows:
 - (a) by inserting after "Act" the following:
 - ", the Transport Board Act"; and
 - (b) by repealing "made thereunder" and substituting the following:

"made under the Acts"

Amendment of section 87.

- **26.** Section 87 of the principal Act is repealed and the following is substituted:
- "87. (1) The Cabinet may make regulations in respect of all or any of the following matters:
 - (a) anything which by this Act may or is to be prescribed;
 - (b) the forms to be used under this Act;
 - (c) the character and nature of horns or other instruments capable of giving audible and sufficient warn-

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ing of motor and other vehicles and regulating and controlling their use;

- (d) the classification of roads and the prohibition or restriction of the use of any classified roads by vehicles of any specified class or description;
- (e) the driving of any vehicle on any specified road otherwise than in a specified direction;
- (f) the number, nature and use of brakes and other equipment to be carried in the case of vehicles not propelled by mechanical power;
- the prohibition of excessive noise owing to the design or condition of the vehicle or the loading of the vehicle:
- (h the removal from roads of vehicles which have broken down and of the ioads carried on them or of vehicles which have been left in a dangerous position on a road:
- (i) the establishment of silence zones;
- (j) generally, for the better carrying out of the provisions of this Act and in particular for the safety, control and regulation of traffic and the use of vehicles or class of vehicles on a road and the conditions under which they may be used.
- (2) Regulations made under subsection (1) may prescribe penalties of a fine not exceeding five thousand dollars or of imprisonment for a term not exceeding twelve months.".
- 27. Section 88 of the principal Act is amended in subsection (3) by inserting after "Act" the following:

Amendment of section 88.

"or the Transport Board Act and its regulations".

28. Section 91 of the principal Act is amended by repealing "of any Examining Officer" and substituting the following:

Amendment of section 91.

"a Vehicle Examiner".

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Repeal of sections 10 to 14, 21, 30 to 35, 37 to 40, 42, 44 to 47 and 93.

29. Sections 10 to 14, 21, 30 to 35, 37 to 40, 42, 44 to 47 and 93 of the principal Act are repealed.

Passed the House of Representatives this 27th day of June, 2000.

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Passed the Senate **this** 13th day of July, 2000.

B. Harris, *Speaker*.

M. Percival, President.

S. Walker, Clerk to the House of Representatives. S. Walker, *Clerk to the Senate.*