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[L.S.]



I Assent,

Rodney Williams,
Governor-General.

11th August, 2017.

THE POLICE (AMENDMENT) ACT 2017

No. 22 of 2017

AN ACT to amend the Police Act, Cap. 330 and for incidental and connected purposes.

ENACTED by the Parliament of Antigua and Barbuda as follows—

1. Short title and commencement

This Act may be cited as the Police (Amendment) Act, 2017.

2. Interpretation

In this Act, the principal Act means the Police Act, CAP 330.

3. Amendment of section 2 of principal Act

Section 2 of the principal Act is amended by inserting in the correct alphabetical order the following definition—

“Commissioner” means the person appointed to the office of Commissioner of Police in accordance with section 105 of the Constitution.

4. Amendment of the principal Act—

The principal Act is amended by repealing the words “Governor General” wherever these words appear in the Act and substituting therefor the word “Minister.”

5. Amendment of section 5 of principal Act

Section 5 of the principal Act is amended by repealing section 5 and substituting therefor the following –

“5. Accoutrements and uniform of the Force

The members of the Force shall wear such uniform as the Minister may, after consultation with the Commissioner, direct and such uniform together with arms and accoutrements shall be supplied to each member of the Force at public expense.”

6. Repeal of sections 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 of principal Act

Sections 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 of the principal Act are repealed.

7. Insertion of new section 23A in principal Act

The principal Act is amended by inserting after section 23 the following new section —

“23A. Power to transfer Gazetted Officers

The Commission may, on the recommendation of the Commissioner after consultation with the Minister, approve the appointment, secondment, transfer or postings as the case may be, of a Gazetted Police Officer to a position in the Ministry under which the Police Department falls in the interest of national security and for the purpose of advising the Minister on security policing policies, guidelines, research, planning and other security related matters or for any matter for the advancement of the duties and responsibilities of the Force.”

8. Amendment of section 71-Power to Make Regulations

Section 71 of the principal Act is amended by deleting the introductory words in subsection (1) appearing before subparagraph (a) and substituting therefor the following —

“(1) The Minister may, after consultation with the Commissioner, make regulations relating to all or any of the following matters, that is to say —”

Passed the House of Representatives on
The 17th day of March, 2017.

Passed the Senate on the 19th day of
May, 2017.

Gerald Watt, Q.C.,
Speaker.

Alicia Williams-Grant,
President.

Ramona Small,
Clerk to the House of Representatives.

Ramona Small,
Clerk to the Senate.