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AN ACT to amend the Airport Administration Charge Act 2012, No. 3 of 2012 and for other connected purposes.

ENACTED by the Parliament of Antigua and Barbuda as follows:

1. Short title and commencement

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Airport Administration Charge (Amendment) Act 2024.
- (2) This Act shall come into effect on the 1st day of October 2024.

2. Interpretation

In this Act –

“principal Act” means the Airport Administration Charge Act 2012, No. 3 of 2012

3. Amendment of section 10 – Environmental Charge

Section 10 of the principal Act is amended by repealing subsection (2) in its entirety and replacing it as follows –

“(2) The Authority shall pay to the Climate Resilience and Development Fund the amount of 6.25% of the revenue collected for the Airport Administration Charge under item (1) of the First Schedule.”

4. Amendment of the First Schedule

Item (1) of the First Schedule to the principal Act is amended by repealing paragraphs (d) and (e) thereof and replacing these as follows –

- “(d) in the case of each arriving domestic passenger: US\$4.00;
(e) in the case of each departing domestic passenger: US\$4.00”

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This is a Bill to amend the Airport Administration Charge Bill 2012, No. 3 of 2012.
The Bill contains four (4) clauses –

Clause 1 – Short title and Commencement; and Clause 2 - Interpretation

This Bill for an Act to be known as the Airport Administration Charge (Amendment) Act 2024;
All provisions of the Act will go into effect on the **1st day of October, 2024**

Clause 3 – Amendment of section 10: Environmental Charge

Clause 3 of this amendment increases the amount of the Airport Administration Charge (AAC) payable into the Climate Resilience and Development Fund from 1% to 6.25%; the amount is calculated in respect of all amounts collected for the AAC listed under item (1) paragraphs (a) to (i) of the First Schedule and not only on the items listed at paragraphs (a) and (b).

Clause 4 – Amendment of the First Schedule

This amendment is specifically to paragraphs (d) and (e) of item (1) of the First Schedule. The amendment reflects the amount to be collected as being US\$4.00 instead of EC\$10.00. This is to facilitate a more efficient collection of the tax by IATA which is responsible for collecting the AAC on behalf of the Airport Authority.

**Hon. Gaston Browne
Prime Minister**

Minister with responsibility for Finance