CONSTITUTION (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2009 - 11

Arrangement of Sections

Section

- 1. Short title.
- 2. Amendment of section 79G of the *Constitution*.
- 3. Commencement.

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I assent C. STRAUGHN HUSBANDS Governor-General 19th May, 2009.

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An Act to alter the Constitution.

(8th June, 2007.) Commence-

ENACTED by the Parliament of Barbados in accordance with the provisions of section 49 of the *Constitution* as follows:

1. This Act may be cited as the *Constitution (Amendment)* Short title. *Act*, 2009.

Amendment of section 79G of the *Constitution*.

- **2.** Section 79G of the *Constitution* is amended by adding the following subsections:
 - "(4) Notwithstanding subsections (1) and (2), the Commission may, if it appears to the Commission at any time on or after 8th June, 2007 and during the evolutionary phase of the Court that special circumstances so require, extend the tenure in office of a Judge of the Court by a period,
 - (a) in the case of the President, that does not extend beyond the date on which he attains the age of 75 years or the date on which he completes 7 years in office, whichever of those events first occurs;
 - (b) in the case of any other Judge of the Court, that does not extend beyond the date on which he attains the age of 75 years.
 - (5) For the purposes of subsection (4),
 - (a) "the evolutionary phase of the Court" means the period
 - (i) ending with the appointment of the maximum number of Judges as specified in paragraph 1 of Article IV of the Agreement; and
 - (ii) defined in paragraph 4 of Article II of the Protocol to the Agreement that was signed on behalf of Barbados at Barbados on 3rd June, 2007; and
 - (b) the other provisions of Article II of the Protocol shall have effect.".
- **3.** This Act shall be deemed to have come into operation on 8th June, 2007.

Commencement.