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OBJECTS AND REASONS

This Bill would amend the *Caribbean Community (Movement of Skilled Nationals) Act*, Cap. 186A to make better provision for agricultural workers, domestic workers and private security officers.

Arrangement of Sections

1. Short title
2. Amendment of section 2 of Cap. 186A
3. Amendment of the First Schedule of Cap. 186A
4. Amendment of Cap. 186A

BARBADOS

A Bill entitled

An Act to amend the *Caribbean Community (Movement of Skilled Nationals) Act*, Cap. 186A.

ENACTED by the Parliament of Barbados as follows:

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the *Caribbean Community (Movement of Skilled Nationals) (Amendment) Act, 2024*.

Amendment of section 2 of Cap. 186A

2. *Section 2(1) of the Caribbean Community (Movement of Skilled Nationals) Act, Cap. 186A, in this Act referred to as the principal Act, is amended by*

- (a) deleting the definitions of “agricultural worker”, household domestic” and “security guard”; and*
- (b) inserting in the appropriate alphabetical order the following definitions:*

“agricultural worker” means a person who engages in

- (a) crop farm production; or*
- (b) livestock farm production;*

“crop farm production” includes growing trees or crops, harvesting fields or trees and gathering fruits or plants;

“domestic work” includes

- (a) sweeping, vacuuming, cleaning, washing, polishing items, taking care of linen, purchasing supplies, preparing food and serving meals for a household within a private residential home;*
- (b) the provision of personal care and assistance to a person in a private residential household with his daily living activities where that person is in need of such care due to ageing, illness, injury or any other physical condition; and*

- (c) the provision of care and supervision of a child in a private residential home;

“domestic worker” means a person who is employed to engage to in domestic work;

“livestock farm production” includes

- (a) the breeding and tending of animals; and
- (b) aquaculture;

“private security officer” means a person who provides services

- (a) for the protection of persons or property;
- (b) to prevent the destruction of property; or
- (c) to prevent the theft or unlawful taking of property.”.

Amendment of the First Schedule of Cap. 186A

3. *Paragraph 2 of Part B of the First Schedule is amended by deleting the words “household domestics and security guards” and substituting the words “domestic workers and private security officers”.*

Amendment of Cap. 186A

- 4.** *The principal Act is amended by deleting the words*
- (a) *“household domestic” wherever they appear and substituting the words “domestic worker”; and*
 - (b) *“security guard” wherever they appear and substituting the words “private security officer”.*

Read three times and passed the House of Assembly this
day of _____, 2024.

Speaker

Read three times and passed the Senate this _____ day of
_____, 2024.

President