Immigration and Passport (Amendment) Act, 2015

ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA

IMMIGRATION AND PASSPORT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2015

No. 2 of 2015

AN ACT to amend the Immigration and Passport Act, 2014.

ENACTED by the Parliament of Antigua and Barbuda as follows—

1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the Immigration and Passport (Amendment) Act, 2015.

2. Insertion of section 24A- Grant of Amnesty.

The Immigration and Passport Act, 2014 No. 6 of 2014 is amended by the insertion of section 24A immediately after section 24(6) as follows—

“24A. (1) A person who, immediately before the coming into force of this Act is resident in Antigua and Barbuda as an illegal immigrant may, on application to the Minister, and on payment of any arrears owed to the Government and on payment of the prescribed fee for such application, be granted amnesty and an extension of time to remain in Antigua and Barbuda.

(2) Where an amnesty is granted to a person under this section, the period during which the person remained in Antigua and Barbuda as an illegal immigrant shall, for the purposes of—
ARRANGEMENT

Sections

1. Short title.

2. Insertion of section 24A- Grant of Amnesty
(a) section 40 of the Immigration and Passport Act 2014; and

(b) calculating lawful residency for the grant of Antigua and Barbuda citizenship, be treated as a lawful resident in Antigua and Barbuda.

(3) In considering the application for the grant of amnesty, the Cabinet shall take into consideration information that the applicant-

(a) has no criminal convictions;

(b) if applicable, has family ties in Antigua and Barbuda; and

(c) any other information deemed relevant to the application.”