

OBJECTS AND REASONS

This Bill would amend the *Airports Act*, Cap. 285A to make provision for the seizure and killing of birds or animals to prevent the endangerment of aircraft operating at the airport and related matters.

Arrangement of Sections

Sections

1. Short title.
2. Amendment of section 2 of Cap. 285A.
3. Amendment of section 5 of Cap. 285A.
4. Amendment of section 5A of Cap. 285A.

BARBADOS

A Bill entitled

An Act to amend the *Airports Act*.

ENACTED by the Parliament of Barbados as follows:

1. This Act may be cited as the *Airports (Amendment) Act, 2007*. Short title

Amendment
of sections
2 of Cap.
285A.

2. Section 2 of the *Airports Act*, in this Act referred to as the principal Act, is amended by

- (a) deleting the words "Airport Manager";
- (b) inserting the following in its appropriate alphabetical order:
 - " "Chief Executive Officer" means the most senior managerial officer of the Grantley Adams International Airport Inc.;" and
- (c) deleting the definition of "authorised officer" and substituting the following:
 - " "authorised officer" means, except in section 5, in relation to any of the functions of authorised officer under this Act or any regulations, the Chief Executive Officer or any other person authorised in writing by the Minister."

Amendment
of sections
5 of Cap.
285A.

3. Section 5 of the principal Act is amended by deleting section 5 and substituting the following:

"Power to
kill birds
and
animals.
Cap. 398.

5. (1) An authorised officer may
- (a) notwithstanding the provisions of the *Wild Birds Protection Act*, kill or cause to be killed any bird that, in the opinion of the authorised officer, is considered to be a danger to aircraft operating at the airport; or
 - (b) cause to be killed or seized any animal considered to be a danger to aircraft operating at the airport.

(2) An authorised officer shall cause the carcass or remains of any bird, or animal killed in pursuance of this section, to be

(a) donated for scientific research; or

(b) disposed of in such a manner as he thinks fit.

(3) For the purposes of this section, "authorised officer" means an officer or any other person who is authorised in writing by the Chief Executive Officer to exercise the powers set out in this section."

4. Section 5A of the principal Act is amended by deleting the words "Airport Manager" wherever they appear and substituting the words "Chief Executive Officer".

Amend-
ment of
section 5A
of
Cap. 285A.