

OBJECTS AND REASONS

This Bill would amend the *Barbados Water Authority Act*, Cap. 274A to make the power given to the Authority to determine rates and charges in respect of the supply of water and sewerage services subject to regulation by the Fair Trading Commission in accordance with the *Utilities Regulation Act* Cap. 282 and the *Fair Trading Commission Act* Cap. 326B.

Arrangement of Sections

Section

1. Short title.
2. Amendment of section 2 of Cap. 274A.
3. Insertion of new section 29A into Cap. 274A.
4. Savings.
5. Amendment of enactment in *Schedule*.

BARBADOS

A Bill entitled

An Act to amend the *Barbados Water Authority Act*.

ENACTED by the Parliament of Barbados as follows:

1. This Act may be cited as the *Barbados Water Authority* Short title.
(Amendment) Act, 2008.

Amendment of section 2 of Cap. 274A. **2.** Section 2 of the *Barbados Water Authority Act*, in this Act referred to as the principal Act, is amended by inserting in the appropriate alphabetical order the following new definition:

" "Commission" means the Fair Trading Commission established under section 3 of the *Fair Trading Commission Act*;"

Cap. 326B.

Insertion of new section 29A into Cap. 274A. **3.** The principal Act is amended by inserting the following new section immediately after section 29:

29A. The rates and charges to be levied under this Act are subject to regulation by the Commission under the *Utilities Regulation Act* and the *Fair Trading Commission Act*.

"Rates and charges to be regulated by the Commission.
Cap. 282.
Cap. 326B.

Savings. **4.** Nothing in this Act shall operate to affect any exemption granted by the Board under paragraph (k) of section 28(2) of the principal Act before the commencement of this Act.

Amendment of enactment in Schedule. **5.** The enactment set out in the *Schedule* is amended to the extent indicated in that Schedule.

SCHEDULE

(Section 5)

Enactment

*Fair Trading Commission
Act, Cap. 326B*

Amendment

Re-number section 2 as subsection (1) of that section and insert the following as subsection (2) of that section:

Cap. 282. "(2) Section 36 of the *Utilities Regulation Act* applies to the utility services specified in the Second Schedule."