

OBJECTS AND REASONS

This Bill would amend the *Copyright Act*, Cap. 300 to make provision for an increase in the membership of the Copyright Tribunal.

Arrangement of Sections

Section

1. Short title.
2. Amendment of section 101 of Cap. 300.
3. Amendment of section 102 of Cap. 300.

BARBADOS

A Bill entitled

An Act to amend the *Copyright Act*.

ENACTED by the Parliament of Barbados as follows:

1. This Act may be cited as the *Copyright (Amendment) Act, 2005*. Short title.

2. Section 101 of the *Copyright Act*, in this Act referred to as the principal Act, is amended by deleting subsections (2) and (3) and substituting the following: Amendment of section 101 of Cap. 300.

"(2) The Tribunal shall comprise

(a) three attorneys-at-law of at least 10 years standing; and

(b) four other members.

(3) The members of the Tribunal

(a) shall be appointed by the Minister for a period of 3 years; and

(b) shall be eligible for re-appointment."

Amend-
ment
of section
102 of
Cap. 300.

3. Section 102 of the principal Act is amended by adding the following new subsection after subsection (2):

"(3) Where the Tribunal is exercising its jurisdiction

(a) under subsection (1)(a), the matter shall be considered by three members of the Tribunal, at least one of whom must be an attorney-at-law who shall be the Chairman of that panel;

(b) under subsection (1)(b) or (c), the matter shall be considered by five members of the Tribunal, at least one of whom must be an attorney-at-law who shall be Chairman of that panel."