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OBJECTS AND REASONS

This Bill would amend the *Interpretation Act*, Cap. 1 and the *Evidence Act*, Cap. 121 in order to increase the categories of persons before whom an affidavit may be sworn or affirmed, in each case.

Arrangement of Sections

1. Short title
2. Amendment of enactments set out in Schedule

SCHEDULE

BARBADOS

A Bill entitled

An Act to amend certain enactments.

ENACTED by the Parliament of Barbados as follows:

Short title

- 1.** This Act may be cited as the *Evidence (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 2019*.

Amendment of enactments set out in Schedule

2. *The enactments set out in the first column of the Schedule are amended in the respect set out opposite thereto in the second column.*

SCHEDULE

(Section 2)

CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<i>Enactments</i>	<i>Amendments</i>
1. <i>Interpretation Act, Cap. 1</i>	In section 27, (a) insert immediately after the words "any court" appearing in subsection (1) the words "any attorney-at-law,"; and (b) insert immediately after the words "exercised by" appearing in subsection (4) the words "an attorney-at-law, or".
2. <i>Evidence Act, Cap. 121</i>	1. Renumber section 167 as section 167(1). 2. Insert after section 167(1) as renumbered, the following: "(2) Without affecting subsection (1), an affidavit may be sworn or affirmed before an attorney-at-law."

Read three times and passed the House of Assembly this
day of _____, 2019.

Speaker

Read three times and passed the Senate this _____ day of
, 2019.

President