OBJECTS AND REASONS

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Arrangement of Sections

- **1.** Short title
- 2. Amendment of Section 31 of Cap. 87
- **3.** Amendment of Section 32 of Cap. 87

BARBADOS

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ENACTED by the Parliament of Barbados as follows:

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the Value Added Tax (Amendment) Act, 2015.

Amendment of Section 31 of Cap. 87

2. Section 31 of the Value Added Tax Act, Cap. 87, in this Act referred to as the principal Act, is amended by deleting subsection (2) and substituting the following:

- "(2) Where
 - (a) an amount of duty (other than tax imposed under this Act) that is payable upon the entry of goods into Barbados is remitted, refunded, drawn back or reduced under the *Customs Act*, Cap. 66 or any regulations or order made thereunder, and
 - (b) a remission, refund, drawback or reduction of the tax payable in respect of the importation is not otherwise provided for in this Act, the *Customs Act*, Cap. 66 or the regulations or order referred to in paragraph (a)

the provisions of the *Customs Act*, Cap. 66, regulations or order under which the remission, refund, drawback or reduction of the duty is granted shall not be deemed to provide for a remission, refund, drawback or reduction, as the case may be, of the amount of tax calculated on that duty. ".

Amendment of Section 32 of Cap. 87

3. Section 32 of the principal Act is amended in subsection (1) by deleting paragraph (b) and substituting the following:

"(*b*) the tax, if any, that was payable in respect of the goods at that previous time has not been remitted, refunded or reduced because of the exportation of the goods; and ".

Read three times and passed the House of Assembly this day of , 2015.

Speaker

Read three times and passed the Senate this	day of
, 2015.	

President