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## **VIRGIN ISLANDS**

# **ARBITRATION (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2015**

# ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

#### Section

- 1. Short title and commencement.
- 2. Section 1 amended.
- 3. Section 2 amended.
- 4. Section 87 amended.
- 5. Section 95 amended.
- 6. Section 99 amended.
- 7. Section 107 amended.
- 8. Schedule 4 amended.

I Assent

(Sgd.) John S. Duncan, OBE, Governor. 23<sup>rd</sup> April, 2015

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An Act to amend the Arbitration Act (Act No. 13 of 2013).

[Gazetted 11<sup>th</sup> May, 2015]

ENACTED by the House of Assembly of the Virgin Islands as follows:

# Short title and commencement.

- 1. (1) This Act may be cited as the Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 2015.
- (2) The provisions of this Act shall come into force on such date as the Governor may, by proclamation published in the *Gazette*, appoint.
- Section 1 amended. No. 13 of 2013
- **2.** Section 1 (2) of the Arbitration Act (hereinafter referred to as "the principal Act") is amended by inserting after the words "published in the", the word "Gazette".
- Section 2
- **3.** Section 2 (5) of the principal Act is amended by adding the word "*Gazette*," at the end of the opening paragraph.
- Section 87 amended.

amended.

**4.** Section 87 (2) of the principal Act is amended by inserting in the closing paragraph after the words "published in the", the word "*Gazette*".

Section 95 **5.** Section 95 (2) of the principal Act is amended by inserting after the words "published in the", the word "*Gazette*".

Section 99 **6.** Section 99 (1) of the principal Act is amended by inserting after the words "published in the", the word "*Gazette*".

- Section 107 **7.** Section 107 of the principal Act is amended amended.
  - (a) by repealing subsection (1) and substituting the following subsection:
    - "(1) Subject to subsection (3), the Board may make rules for the purposes of giving effect to the provisions of this Act.";
    - (b) in subsection (2)
      - (i) by deleting the word "and" at the end of paragraph (g);
      - (ii) by inserting after paragraph (g), the following new paragraph:
        - "(h) define what parameters constitute a fit and proper criteria with respect to appointments under the Act; and"; and
      - (iii) by renumbering the current paragraph (h) as paragraph (i); and
  - (c) by repealing subsection (3) and substituting the following subsection:
    - "(3) If at the time that rules are to be made under this Act, the Board has not been appointed, the BVI IAC may make rules under this section.".
- Schedule 4 **8.** Paragraph 8 of Schedule 4 of the principal Act is amended by inserting after the words "published in the", the word "*Gazette*".

Passed by the House of Assembly this 17<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2015.

(Sgd.) Ingrid Moses-Scatliffe, Speaker.

(Sgd.) Phyllis Evans, Clerk of the House of Assembly.