OBJECTS AND REASONS

This Bill would make provision for the Agreement establishing the Free Trade Area between the Caribbean Community and the Dominican Republic to be given the force of law in Barbados.

Arrangement of Sections

Section

- 1. Short title.
- 2. Interpretation
- 3. Agreement to be given force of law in Barbados.
- 4. Amendment of Schedule.

SCHEDULE

BARBADOS

A Bill entitled

An Act to make provision for the Agreement establishing the Free Trade Area between the Caribbean Community and the Dominican Republic to be given the force of law in Barbados.

ENACTED by the Parliament of Barbados as follows:

1. This Act may be cited as the Free Trade Area (Agreement Short title establishing the Free Trade Area between the Caribbean Community and the Dominican Republic) Act, 2005.

Interpretation 2. In this Act,

"Agreement" means

(a) the Agreement establishing the Free Trade Area between the Caribbean Community and the Dominican Republic signed on the 22nd day of August, 1998 at Santo Domingo in the Dominican Republic, the text of which is set out in Part 1 of the Schedule; and

Schedule.

(b) the Protocol that amends the Agreement and which was signed on the 23rd day of April, 2000 at Trinidad and Tobago, the text of which is set out in Part II of the Schedule.

Schedule.

Agreement to be given the Force of law in Barbados. Schedule. 3. The Agreement set out in the *Schedule* to this Act shall have the force of law in Barbados.

Amendment of Schedule.

4. The Minister may by Order amend the Schedule.