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### **OBJECTS AND REASONS**

This Bill would amend the *Road Traffic Act*, Cap. 295 to empower the Minister to prescribe the cases in which a person may discharge his liability for contravention of regulations made under the Act through the payment of a penalty administratively and the remediation of the contravention.

*Arrangement of Sections*

1. Short title
2. Insertion of new section 121A into Cap. 295

## **BARBADOS**

A Bill entitled

An Act to amend the *Road Traffic Act*.

ENACTED by the Parliament of Barbados as follows:

### **Short title**

- 1.** This Act may be cited as the *Road Traffic (Amendment) Act, 2024*.

**Insertion of new section 121A into Cap. 295**

**2.**        *The Road Traffic Act, Cap. 295 is amended by inserting after section 121, the following:*

**“Discharge of liability for contravention of regulations**

**121A.(1)** This section applies to such regulations as the Minister may prescribe.

(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the Minister may by regulations prescribe the circumstances in which a person who, through the contravention of any regulations to which this section applies, commits an offence, may be offered an opportunity to discharge any liability that would arise out of a conviction for the offence by

- (a) the payment of an initial penalty of \$500;
- (b) the payment of a further penalty of \$10 for every day or part of a day that the contravention continues; and
- (c) the remediation of the contravention.”.