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AN ACT to provide for the equal status of children in Antigua and Barbuda.

ENACTED by the Parliament of Antigua and Barbuda as follows-

PART I

PRELIMINARY

1. Short title and commencement

This Act may be cited as the Status of Children Act 2015

(2) The Minister may by Notice published in the Gazette appoint a date on which this Act comes into force.

2. Interpretation

In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires-

"attorney-at-law" means a person whose name has been ordered on the role of Attorney-at-Law maintained by the Registrar of pursuant to section 13 of the Legal Profession Act, 2008;

"child" includes a person who has attained the age of eighteen;

"cohabitant" means a person who is living or has lived with a person of the opposite sex as a husband or wife although not legally married to each other;

"Court" means the High Court;

"marriage" includes-

- (a) a void marriage; and
- (b) a voidable marriage that has been annulled by a court;