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[Gazette Dated: , 2016] [Commencement: Assent under section 57 of the Constitution]

AN ACT to amend the Property Tax Act, No. 10/2015

## ENACTED by the Legislature of Anguilla

## Interpretation

1. In this Act the "Principal Act" means the Property Tax Act, No. 10/2015

#### Amendment of section 1

2. Section 1 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting the following definition in the appropriate alphabetical order—

""senior citizen" means any person who has attained the age of 65 years.".

## **Amendment of section 32**

- **3.** The Principal Act is amended in section 32 (1) by deleting paragraph (a) and substituting it with the following—
  - "(a) the valuation roll prepared for the relevant financial year has been certified by the Senior Valuation Officer;".

## **Insertion of 57A**

**4.** The Principal Act is amended by inserting the following new section directly after section 57.

## "Remission of tax for senior citizens and persons in undue hardship

**57A.** The Minister in Council may make regulations which provide for the remission of tax payable by a taxpayer under section 57, where he is satisfied that the taxpayer is a

senior citizen or where the imposition of the tax payable would cause undue hardship to the taxpayer.".

## Citation

**5.** This Act may be cited as the Property Tax (Amendment) Act, 2016.

Leroy C. Rogers Speaker

Passed by the House of Assembly this day of

, 2016

Lenox J. Proctor

Clerk of the House of Assembly

## **OBJECTS AND REASONS**

## [The Objects and Reasons do not form part of this Bill]

The Property Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2016 seeks to amend the Property Tax Act, 10/2015 to allow the Minister to make regulations providing for the remission of tax payable by pensioners and taxpayers experiencing financial hardship.

The Bill consists of 4 clauses.

Clause 1 is the Interpretation section of the Bill.

Clause 2 provides for the insertion of a new definition in the Principal Act.

Clause 3 corrects an oversight in the previous version of the Act.

**Clause 4** provides for the Minister to make regulations providing for the remission of tax payable by pensioners and taxpayers experiencing financial hardship.

**Clause 5** provides for the Citation.