AN ACT to amend the Social Security Act, Cap. 408.

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ENACTED by the Parliament of Antigua and Barbuda as follows —

1. This Act may be cited as the Social Security (Amendment) Act, 2005.  

2. The Social Security Act, Cap. 408 is amended in section 54 as follows —

(a) in section (1), by the deletion of the words: “equivalent to the minimum rate paid as age benefit under the Act” and the substitution of the words: “at a rate to be determined by the Minister by regulation published in the Gazette”.

(b) by the repeal of subsection (2) and the substitution of the following —

“(2) Notwithstanding subsection (1), any person who, on the coming into force of this Act is in receipt of old age assistance because he —

(a)  is sixty years old or more;

(b)  is blind or so disabled that he is unable to earn his livelihood; and

(c)  has a total income of less than five thousand dollars per annum,

shall continue to be paid old age assistance at a rate to be determined by the Minister by regulation published in the Gazette."

Passed by the House of Representatives this 5th day of May, 2005.

D. Giselle Isaac-Arindell,
Speaker.

Yvonne Henry,
Acting Clerk to the House of Representatives.

Passed by the Senate this 17th day of May, 2005.

MacKenie Frank,
Vice President.

Yvonne Henry,
Acting Clerk to the Senate.

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