

I assent.

D. J. G. ROSE
Governor-General.

20th May 1968.

ACT NO. 9 OF 1968.

OLD AGE PENSIONS (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1968

Arrangement of Sections.

Section

1. Short title and commencement.
2. Amendment of section 2 of Chapter 63.
3. Amendment of section 8 of Chapter 63.
4. Amendment of section 10 of Chapter 63.
5. General amendment of Chapter 63.

AN ACT to amend the Old Age Pensions Ordinance.

[25th May, 1968]

A.D. 1968.

Enacted by the Parliament of Guyana:—

Short title and
commence-
ment.
Cap. 63.

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the Old Age Pensions (Amendment) Act, 1968, and shall be construed and read as one with the Old Age Pensions Ordinance, hereinafter referred to as the Principal Ordinance, and all amendments thereto.

(2) Subsection (1) of section 3 of this Act shall be deemed to have come into operation on 1st January, 1968.

Amendment
of section 2
of Chapter 63.

2. Section 2 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended by the insertion immediately after the definition of "district", of the following definition —

“Minister” means the Minister to whom responsibility for the Social Assistance Department has for the time being been assigned;.

Amendment
of section 8
of Chapter 63.

3. (1) Subsections (1) and (2) of section 8 of the Principal Ordinance are hereby repealed and the following subsections substituted therefor —

“(1) The amount of pension payable to any person under and in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance shall be —

- (a) in the case of a person ordinarily resident in the Georgetown area, twelve dollars per month;
- (b) in the case of a person ordinarily resident elsewhere in Guyana than in the Georgetown area, ten dollars per month.

(2) The National Assembly may, from time to time, by resolution (which shall be published in the Gazette), vary the amounts and any residential qualification prescribed by subsection (1) of this section with effect from the date of the resolution or such earlier or later date as is specified in that behalf in the resolution."

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (1) of section 10 of the Principal Ordinance, no payment of any sum on account of the increase in the amount of pension which became payable by virtue of this Act shall be made if such payment is not obtained within three months after the enactment of this Act.

4. The following subsection is hereby substituted for subsection (3) of section 10 of the Principal Ordinance —

Amendment
of section 10
of Chapter 63.

"(3) A direction may be given under subsection (2) of this section notwithstanding that the period of three months prescribed in subsection (1) of this section has expired before the direction is given."

5. (1) Wherever in the Principal Ordinance or in any law made thereunder the expression "Governor" or "Governor in Council" appears, there shall be substituted therefor the word "Minister".

General
amendment of
Chapter 63.

(2) Anything lawfully done under the Principal Ordinance prior to its amendment by subsection (1) of this section, and which would continue to have effect but for such amendment, shall continue to have effect as if so done in conformity with such amendment.

Passed by the National Assembly on the 14th of May, 1968.

F. A. NARAIN,
Clerk of the National Assembly.

(M.P. S.A. 2/1).

(Bill No. 8/1968).