

I assent.

C. C. WOOLLEY,

Governor.

23rd December, 1950.

ORDINANCE No. 39 of 1950.

AN ORDINANCE to amend the Cattle Stealing Prevention Ordinance, Chapter 94, with respect to the revision of the register of brands, the branding of cattle, and for purposes connected therewith.

[30th December, 1950.

BE IT ENACTED by the Governor of British Guiana, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof as follows:—

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Cattle Stealing Prevention (Amendment) Ordinance, 1950, and shall be construed with the Cattle Stealing Prevention Ordinance, hereinafter referred to as the Principal Ordinance.

A.D. 1950.

Short title.

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New section 3A inserted in the Principal Ordinance.

2. The Principal Ordinance is hereby amended by the insertion therein after section three of the following new section --

“Renewal of registration of brands.

3A. (1) The Commissioner of Police (hereinafter referred to as “the Commissioner”) shall, as soon as possible after the commencement of this section cause a notice to be published on three consecutive Saturdays in the *Gazette*, and on three consecutive Sundays in three daily newspapers circulating in the Colony, requiring all persons whose names appear on the register of brands to notify him in writing within three months of the date of the last publication of such notice whether they desire their names to remain on the register, or to be removed therefrom.

(2) Any person who fails to notify the Commissioner as required by subsection (1) of this section shall be deemed to have ceased to use a brand, and his name and brand shall be removed from the register of brands.

(3) Where any person notifies the Commissioner that he desires his brand to remain on the register of brands, the Commissioner may permit such brand to remain thereon, or may allot to such person such other brand or mark as he may think fit, and shall register such other brand or mark accordingly.

(4) The Commissioner may, in his discretion, refuse to register any brand or mark where he considers that the use of such brand or mark will be inconvenient or cruel, or likely to give rise to error or mistake, or likely to cause unnecessary damage to the hide of the animal.

(5) From and after the commencement of this subsection, any person who brands or marks with any mark likely to be permanent any cattle shall, unless such brand or mark has been registered with the Commissioner under the provisions of this Ordinance, be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty-five dollars.”

Offence.

3. Section seven of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended by the substitution for the words “within fourteen days” of the words “within twenty-eight days”.

Amendment of subsection 7 of the Principal Ordinance.

Substitution of new subsection for subsection (1) of section 8 of the Principal Ordinance.

4. Subsection (1) of section eight of the Principal Ordinance is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor —
 “Mode of branding.

8. (1) Subject to the provisions of this Ordinance —
 (a) bulls, cows, oxen, steers and heifers shall be branded on the neck, or shoulders or on the lower parts of the legs; and

(b) asses shall be branded on the body/.

~~Provided that in that part of the Colony known as the Rupunani District, any animal specified in paragraph (a) of this subsection may be branded on the hip.~~

5. Section nine of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended —

(a) by the substitution for the words “fourteen days” in subsection (1) of the words “twenty-eight days”; and

Amendment of section 9 of the Principal Ordinance.

(b) by the insertion in subsection (5) after the words “likely to give rise to error or mistake” of the words “or likely to cause unnecessary damage to the hide of such animal”.

6. Subsection (1) of section ten of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended by the substitution for the words “fourteen days” in paragraph (a) of the words “twenty-eight days”.

Amendment of subsection (1) of section 10 of the Principal Ordinance.

7. Subsection (5) of section three A of the Principal Ordinance as enacted by section two of this Ordinance shall come into force on the first day of March, nineteen hundred and fifty-one, but, subject as aforesaid, this Ordinance shall come into force on the first day of November, nineteen hundred and fifty.

Commencement.