



I assent.

John Coult

Officer Administering the
Government.

17th August, 1951.

BRITISH GUIANA.

ORDINANCE No. 35 of 1951.

AN ORDINANCE to amend the Music and Dancing Licences Ordinance with respect to the granting of licences.

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 Music and Dancing Licences (Amendment) Ordinance, 1951, and shall be construed and read as one with the Music and Dancing Licences Ordinance, hereinafter referred to as the Principal Ordinance.

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2. Section twelve of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended by the substitution for the words "for any purpose within the meaning of this section" of the words "for any of the purposes specified in section two of this Ordinance".

Amend-
ment of
section 12
of the
Principal
Ordinance.

Insertion
of new
sections
12A, 12B
and 12C
in the
Principal
Ordinance.

3. The Principal Ordinance is hereby amended by the insertion therein of the following new sections:—

“Licences
not to be
granted
unless
certificates
of safety
are pro-
duced.

12A. (1) No licence under this Ordinance shall be granted in respect of any place to which this section applies unless there is produced to the magistrate—

(a) a certificate from the Superintendent of the Georgetown Fire Brigade (hereinafter referred to as “the Superintendent”), that, in respect of such place, he is satisfied that there is adequate provision as to means of escape, in the event of fire, and to precautions against fire and in the interests of general safety; and

(b) a certificate from the Director of Public Works, or, where such place is situate within the city of Georgetown, a certificate from the City Engineer that such place is fit for use for any of the purposes specified in section two of this Ordinance.

(2) The provisions of this section shall apply to—

(a) the city of Georgetown;

(b) the town of New Amsterdam;

(c) the village of Bartica; and

(d) any place declared from time to time by the Governor in Council, by Order published in the *Gazette*, to be a place to which the provisions of this section shall apply.

(3) In this section—

“the City Engineer” includes the Assistant City Engineer;

“the Director of Public Works” includes any fit and proper person authorised in writing by the Director of Public Works to examine places and issue certificates for the purposes of this section; and

“the Superintendent of the Georgetown Fire Brigade” includes any fit and proper person authorised by the Superintendent to examine places and issue certificates for the purposes of this section.

Revocation
and sus-
pension of
licences.

12B. (1) The Superintendent, the City Engineer or the Director of Public Works may at any reasonable time enter and inspect any place licensed under the provisions of this Ordinance.

(2) Where upon any inspection as aforesaid, the Superintendent, the City Engineer or the Director of Public Works, as the case may be, is of the opinion that the place is unfit for use for any of the purposes specified in section two of this Ordinance, he shall forthwith report the matter to the magistrate who shall forthwith revoke or suspend the licence upon such terms as he may think fit.

Fees.

12C. The Governor in Council may prescribe fees to be paid in respect of any inspection made or certificate issued under the provisions of subsection (1) of section twelve A of this Ordinance”.

Passed by the Legislative Council this 12th day of July, 1951.

Clerk of the Legislative Council.