

BILL NO. 18 OF 1969.

WIDOWS AND ORPHANS PENSION (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1969.

Arrangement of Sections.

Section

1. Short title and commencement.
2. Amendment of section 6 of Chapter 75.
3. Amendment of section 13 of Chapter 75.

A BILL

Intituled

AN ACT to amend the Widows and Orphans Pension Ordinance.

A.D. 1969.

Enacted by the Parliament of Guyana:—

Short title
and com-
mencement.

Cap. 75.

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the Widows and Orphans Pension (Amendment) Act, 1969, and shall be construed and read as one with the Widows and Orphans Pension Ordinance, hereinafter referred to as the Principal Ordinance, and all amendments thereto.

(2) Section 3 of this Act shall be deemed to have come into operation on the 1st day of January, 1959.

Amendment of
section 6 of
Chapter 75.

2. Subsection (2) of section 6 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended by the substitution of a colon for the full stop appearing at the end thereof and the addition immediately thereafter of the following proviso —

“Provided that where the officer to be examined is for the time being in a place outside Guyana for the purpose of performing the functions of his office, the medical examination required by the foregoing provisions of this Ordinance may be made by two persons appointed for the purpose by the directors from among persons in that place who, if they had been required to perform the said examination in Guyana, would be duly qualified practitioners for that purpose and the succeeding provisions of this section shall apply for the purposes of that examination.”

Amendment of
section 13 of
Chapter 75.

3. Section 13 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended—
(a) by the re-numbering of that section as subsection (1); and
(b) by adding thereto the following subsection as subsection (2) —

“(2) The Directors may award and pay out of the fund pensions, gratuities or allowances to any of the persons appointed by them in pursuance of subsection (1) of this section at the rate prescribed by, and in accordance with, the provisions of the Pensions (Consolidation) Ordinance, 1957, or any law amending or replacing the same.”

Ordinance
No. 38
of 1957.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

The provisions of the Widows and Orphans Pension Ordinance require a prospective contributor to the fund to undergo a medical examination in Guyana. With the establishment of diplomatic missions abroad, it has become necessary for officers working in those missions to be examined in the places where they are stationed. Clause 2 of the Bill therefore seeks to enable such examinations to be made.

Clause 3 of the Bill seeks to provide for certain employees of the Widows and Orphans Fund to enjoy superannuation benefits analogous to those enjoyed by public officers.

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