

Bill No. 21 of 1959

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1959.
ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

Section

1. Short title.
2. Repeal and re-enactment of section 92 of Chapter 150.

A BILL

Intituled

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT
ORDINANCE.

Enacted by the Legislature of British Guiana:—

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Local Government (Amendment) Ordinance, 1959, and shall be construed and read with the Local Government Ordinance, hereinafter referred to as the Principal Ordinance, and any Ordinance amending the same.

Short title.

Cap. 150.

2. Section 92 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor—

Repeal and re-enactment of section 92 of Chapter 150.

- “92. (1) The local authority of any village or country district may, with the approval of the Board, fix fees to be paid by the owners of any animals grazing or kept on the common lands of any village or country district or on Crown or Colony lands held by such local authority.
- (2) Where such lands are held jointly by two or more local authorities, such local authorities may, in like manner, fix fees to be paid by the owners of any animals grazing or kept on such lands.
- (3) Such local authorities may, with the approval of the Board, make by-laws providing for the appointment of a committee or joint committees of management and for any matters necessary for the management and supervision of such lands.
- (4) Any fees fixed by this subsection shall be paid to the overseer or, if there is no overseer, to the Chairman of the local authority, for and on account of the general revenue of the village or country district.
- (5) Any animals in respect whereof any such fees are due and payable may, in default of payment thereof, be sold by order of the local authority on the expiration of seven days after notice of the intended sale has been posted up on the office of the local authority; and any surplus shall be paid over to the owner of the animal.
- (6) In this section the expression “animal” means any horse, mare, gelding, colt, filly, mule, ass, bull, cow, ox, steer, heifer, calf, sheep, goat or swine.”

OBJECTS AND REASONS

It is considered desirable to give local authorities specific power to manage and control Crown and Colony lands used for the grazing of animals where such lands are held jointly by more than one local authority. Accordingly, this Bill re-enacts the provisions of section 92 of the Local Government Ordinance which deal with the management of grazing lands held solely by local authorities but extends its scope to include the abovementioned proposal with respect to lands held jointly.

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