

# Bill No. 31 of 1960.

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EDUCATION (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1960.

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS.

Section

1. Short title.
2. Amendment of the Principal Ordinance, etc.
3. Insertion of sections 32A, 32B and 32C in Chapter 91.

A BILL

Intituled

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE EDUCATION ORDINANCE.

Enacted by the Legislature of British Guiana:—

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Education (Amendment) Ordinance, 1960, and shall be construed and read with the Education Ordinance, hereinafter referred to as the Principal Ordinance, and any Ordinance amending the same.

Cap. 91.  
Short title.

2. The Principal Ordinance and any regulations made thereunder are hereby amended —

Amendment  
of the  
Principal Or-  
dinance, etc.

(a) by the substitution for the expressions “colonial school” and “colonial schoolhouse” wherever they appear of the expression “government school”;

(b) by the substitution for the expression “colonial grant” wherever it appears of the expression “government grant”;

(c) by the substitution for the expression “colonial revenues” wherever it appears of the expression “the revenues of the Colony”.

3. The Principal Ordinance is hereby amended by the insertion immediately after section 32 of the following sections —

Insertion of  
sections 32A,  
32B and 32C  
in Chapter  
91.

“Certain aided schools to be deemed to be government schools. Schedule.

32A.(1) The Governor in Council may by order declare that on a date to be specified in the order, being not less than one month after the date of the order, (hereinafter referred to as the “appointed date”), any aided school listed in the schedule to this Ordinance, shall for the purposes of control and management cease to be an aided school, and shall thereafter for the said purposes, notwithstanding the provisions of this Ordinance or any regulations made thereunder, be deemed to be a government school under section 32 of this Ordinance.

(2) As soon as practicable after the making of the order under the preceding subsection a copy thereof shall be served on the governing body of the said aided school.

(3) Where an aided school is deemed to be a government school by virtue of the provisions of subsection (1) of this section, the governing body of such school and any manager appointed by them shall, notwithstanding the other provisions of this Ordinance or any regulations made thereunder, cease to be recognised for the purposes of regulation 5 of the Education Code, and the said governing body and any such manager shall not thereafter be entitled to exercise any powers and perform any duties in relation to the control and management of the said school; and the Director shall thereupon be responsible for the control and management of the said school.

Accountability  
for grants and  
handing over  
of records.

32B.(1) Every governing body or manager of an aided school that is deemed to be a government school in pursuance of subsection (1) of section 32A of this Ordinance shall, not later than one month after the appointed date or within such further period as the Director may allow, render to the Director an account for every grant made in connection with the control and management of the school since the last account was rendered.

(2) Every governing body or manager of an aided school that is deemed to be a government school as aforesaid, shall on the appointed date at the said school deliver or cause to be delivered to the Director or any person authorised by him to act on his behalf all records in their possession in connection with the management of the said school, and all furniture and other effects purchased out of funds made available by the Government.

Right of ac-  
cess to school.

32C. On and after the appointed date, any person shall have the right to enter into any aided school that is deemed to be a government school or upon any land on which it is situate, for any lawful purpose in connection with the activities of the school.

#### SCHEDULE

Sec. 32A.

##### Name of School

St. Matthews Anglican Providence  
Grove Anglican  
Supply Anglican  
St. Mary's Anglican Goed Fortuin  
St. Simon's Anglican  
La Bonne Intention Anglican  
Lusignan Anglican  
St. Augustine's Anglican  
Non Pariel Anglican  
St. Mark's Anglican Paradise  
St. Alban's Anglican  
St. Gabriel's Anglican  
Bath Settlement Anglican  
No. 59 Anglican  
Leeds Anglican  
Dartmouth Anglican (St. Barnabas)  
Jacklow Anglican  
Endeavour Anglican  
St. Mary's Anglican Hackney  
Kingston Methodist  
Plaisance Methodist  
Strath Campbell Methodist  
Liberty Methodist  
Christianburg Church of Scotland  
Cornelia Ida Church of Scotland  
Mahaica Church of Scotland  
Belmont Church of Scotland  
St. Columba's Church of Scotland  
Manchester Church of Scotland  
Good Hope Church of Scotland  
Huis t'Dieren Church of Scotland  
Malgretout Roman Catholic  
St. Francis Roman Catholic  
Santa Rosa Roman Catholic  
Ramjit Canadian Mission  
Hague Canadian Mission  
Mac Gillivray Canadian Mission  
John Gibson Canadian Mission  
De Hoop Canadian Mission  
Biaboo Canadian Mission  
Novar Canadian Mission  
Bohemia Canadian Mission  
No. 56 Canadian Mission  
Gibson Fisher Canadian Mission  
Ridge Canadian Mission  
Maryville Canadian Mission  
Bethel Congregational  
Ithaca Congregational  
No. 5 Congregational  
Arthurville School."

#### OBJECTS AND REASONS

The Government has decided that the responsibility for the control and management of the schools built entirely out of funds

made available by the Government and specified in the schedule to the Bill shall be placed in the Director of Education. To give effect to this clause 3 of the Bill seeks to provide for an order to be made by the Governor in Council giving not less than one month's notice to the governing body of an aided school of the Government's intention to assume responsibility for the control and management of the aided school.

2. When the Director of Education on behalf of the Government assumes responsibility for the control and management of any of the aided schools listed in the schedule to the Bill, recognition of the governing body and the manager of the particular denominational body will be withdrawn in respect of the exercise of powers of control and management of the school.

3. The Bill seeks to provide for the rendering of accounts for grants made to a governing body or manager of an aided school prior to the assumption of control and management by the Director of Education. All records, furniture and other effects purchased out of funds made available by the Government will be handed over to the Director of Education or any person authorised by him to act on his behalf.

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