

# Bill No. 2 of 1964 (L.A.)

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## DRAINAGE AND IRRIGATION (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1964.

### Arrangement of Sections.

#### Section

1. Short title and commencement.
2. Amendment of section 33 of Chapter 192.
3. Amendment of section 34A of Chapter 192.

#### A BILL

#### Intituled

AN ORDINANCE to amend the Drainage and Irrigation Ordinance.

Enacted by the Legislature of British Guiana:—

A.D. 1964.

1.(1) This Ordinance may be cited as the Drainage and Irrigation (Amendment) Ordinance, 1964, and shall be construed and read as one with the Drainage and Irrigation Ordinance, hereinafter referred to as the Principal Ordinance, and any Ordinance amending the same.

Short title and commencement. Cap. 192.

(2) This Ordinance shall be deemed to have come into operation on the 13th August, 1955.

2. Section 33 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended—
- (a) by the substitution of a semicolon for the full stop at the end of sub-paragraph (iii) and the insertion of the word “or” immediately thereafter; and
- (b) by the insertion of the following sub-paragraph after sub-paragraph (iii) —
- “(iv) which vest in the Board by virtue of the provisions of section 9 of the Drainage and Irrigation (Amendment) Ordinance, 1955.”

Amendment of section 33 of Chapter 192.

3. Section 34A of the Principal Ordinance (as inserted by section 7 of the Drainage and Irrigation (Amendment) Ordinance, 1955) is hereby amended by the insertion after the symbol “(iii)” in the seventh line thereof, of the word and symbol “and (iv)”.

Amendment of section 34A of Chapter 192.

### OBJECTS AND REASONS

Section 9 of the Drainage and Irrigation (Amendment) Ordinance, 1955, provides that any work not constructed and maintained by the Drainage and Irrigation Board and which is within a drainage and irrigation area may, by an order made by the Governor vest in and become the property of the Board. From time to time orders have been made under the said section 9 vesting works in declared drainage and irrigation areas in the Drainage and Irrigation Board and the Board has maintained the works so vested from rates levied on proprietors within the respective areas.

2. Section 33 of the Drainage and Irrigation Ordinance (Chapter 192) does not however authorise the levying of rates on the proprietors of estates in respect of the maintenance of works acquired under section 9 of the Drainage and Irrigation (Amendment) Ordinance, 1955. Clause 2 of the Bill seeks to amend section 33 of the Ordinance to provide authority for rates to be levied for the purpose of maintaining, repairing, or replacing any works which vest in the Board under section 9 of the Drainage and Irrigation (Amendment) Ordinance, 1955.

3. Clause 3 of the Bill seeks to amend section 34A of the Drainage and Irrigation Ordinance (Chapter 192) (as inserted by section 7 of the Drainage and Irrigation (Amendment) Ordinance, 1955)

to enable the Drainage and Irrigation Board to levy additional rates only on the proprietors of any particular section of any drainage and irrigation area in which works are vested in the Board under section 9 of the Drainage and Irrigation (Amendment) Ordinance, 1955, and which are maintained by the Board.

4. The Ordinance when enacted will have effect from the 13th August, 1955, the date on which the Ordinance of 1955 came into force.

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