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## GUYANA

BILL NO. 4 OF 1972  
LAW REVISION BILL, 1972

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A BILL

Intituled

An Act to provide for the Revision of the Laws of Guyana, and for matters connected therewith, including Miscellaneous Amendments, Repeals and Validations.

Enacted by the Parliament of Guyana:—

1. This Act may be cited as the Law Revision Act, 1972.

Short title.

2. In this Act —

Interpretation.

“Act” includes part of an Act but does not include subsidiary legislation made under the Act;

“Commission” means the Law Revision Commission established under section 3;

“in force” in relation to any written law means made and brought into operation;

“Law Revision Order” means an order made by the Commission under section 5;

“revision date” means the 1st January in each year unless with respect to any year the Commission, by order, directs that there shall be no revision date in that year or appoints either in addition to or in substitution for the 1st January some other date or dates to be the revision date or the revision dates for that year; and the “relevant revision date” means the revision date in relation to which the Laws of Guyana were last revised under section 6.

3. (1) There shall be a Law Revision Commission consisting of a chairman and not more than four other members whose functions shall be to prepare, publish and maintain in accordance with the provisions of this Act an edition of the laws of Guyana to be known as the “Laws of Guyana”.

(2) The first members of the Commission shall include the Honourable Shridath Surendranath Ramphal, Senior Counsel, Attorney General, who shall be the chairman, Mr. Brynmor Thornton Inniss Pollard, Senior Counsel, Chief Parliamentary Counsel, and Mr. Francis Otho Coleridge Harris, Senior Counsel, United Nations Legal Adviser (Law Revision) to the Government of Guyana.

(3) (a) The Attorney General, the Chief Parliamentary Counsel, and their successors in office, shall be members of the Com-

mission, and the Attorney General and his successors in office shall be the Chairman of the Commission.

(b) The membership of Mr. Francis Otho Coleridge Harris on the Commission shall expire on a date to be appointed by the President by notice in the Gazette.

(4) All other appointments to the Commission shall be made by the President.

(5) The Commission may delegate all or any of its functions under this Act to any one or more of its members.

Form of publication.

4. The Laws of Guyana shall be published in loose-leaf form or in such other form as the Commission may determine and shall comprise such pages as may be authorised to be included therein under section 5.

Inclusion or removal of pages to be authorised by order.

5. (1) The Commission with the approval of the President shall, by order, authorise the inclusion in the Laws of Guyana of every page to be comprised therein, and every page so authorised, and no other, shall form part of the Laws of Guyana.

(2) The Commission with the approval of the President may, by order, direct the removal of pages from the Laws of Guyana and any page so directed to be removed shall cease to form part of the Laws of Guyana.

(3) Every page comprised in the Laws of Guyana shall bear a reference to the Law Revision Order by which its inclusion therein was authorised.

Periodical revision of Laws of Guyana.

6. (1) The Laws of Guyana shall be revised as soon as practicable after each revision date, that is to say, the Commission shall prepare the necessary pages and make the necessary orders for the inclusion of these pages in the Laws of Guyana and (with respect to the second or any subsequent revision) for the removal of pages no longer required, to the intent that the Laws of Guyana shall, subject to such omissions as are authorised under section 8, contain all the written laws in force in Guyana on such revision date.

(2) The Commission may authorise the inclusion under section 5 in the Laws of Guyana of an Appendix of pages containing such treaties and conventions and such constitutional, legislative or other documents as may from time to time be specified in the First Schedule and the Commission shall have power by order to amend the said Schedule.

Contents of Laws of Guyana.

7. (1) The Laws of Guyana shall contain —

(a) every Act in force in Guyana on the relevant revision date, unless omitted under Section 8;



- (b) such subsidiary legislation in force in Guyana on the relevant revision date as the Commission thinks fit to include therein;
- (c) any enactments or documents authorised to be included in the Laws of Guyana under section 6(2);
- (d) a chronological list of Acts, a table of contents and an index;
- (e) a list of the Acts omitted under the authority of section 8(d), (e) or (f).

(2) The Commission may, if it thinks fit, include in the Laws of Guyana written laws made but not in force on the relevant revision date or written laws made after the relevant revision date, and in any such case there shall be inserted in the Laws an appropriate note with reference to the commencement date of such written law.

8. It shall not be necessary to include in the Laws of Guyana — Power to omit certain laws.

- (a) any Appropriation Act or Supplementary Appropriation Act;
- (b) any applied law;
- (c) any subsidiary legislation which the Commission thinks fit to omit;
- (d) any loan Act or loan guarantee Act;
- (e) any Act of a temporary nature which can, in the opinion of the Commission, be conveniently omitted;
- (f) any Act authorised by order of the President to be omitted from the Laws of Guyana.

9. Subject to sections 10 and 12, the pages duly authorised for inclusion in the Laws of Guyana shall, in all courts and for all purposes, be the sole and proper Statute Book of Guyana in respect of the written laws contained therein as in force on the relevant revision date. Laws of Guyana to constitute sole and proper Statute Book.

10. No written law omitted, under the authority of this Act or otherwise, from the Laws of Guyana shall be deemed to be without force and validity by reason only of the fact that it is so omitted. Validity of laws not affected by omission from the Laws.

11. (1) In the preparation of the Laws of Guyana the Commission shall have the following powers: Powers of Commission.

- (a) to omit —
  - (i) all written laws or parts of written laws which have been repealed expressly or by necessary

- implication, or which have expired or have become spent or have had their effect;
- (ii) all repealing enactments contained in written laws and also all tables or lists of repealed enactments, whether contained in schedules or otherwise;
  - (iii) all preambles and long titles to written laws, where such omission can, in the opinion of the Commission, conveniently be made;
  - (iv) all words of enactment in any written law or provision of a written law;
  - (v) all provisions prescribing the date when, or manner in which, any written law or part of any written law is to come into force, where such omission can, in the opinion of the Commission, conveniently be made;
  - (vi) all amending written laws or parts of written laws where the amendments effected by such written laws have been embodied by the Commission in the written laws to which they relate;
- (b) to consolidate into one written law any two or more written laws in pari materia, making the alterations thereby rendered necessary in the consolidated written laws, and affixing such date thereto as may seem most convenient;
  - (c) to alter the order of the provisions in any written law and, in all cases where it is necessary to do so, to renumber the provisions of any written law;
  - (d) to alter the form or arrangement of any provision of any written law, either by combining it in whole or in part with another provision or other provisions, or by dividing it into two or more provisions or by transposing words;
  - (e) to divide any written law, whether consolidated or not, into parts or other divisions and to give such parts or divisions a suitable heading;
  - (f) to transfer any provisions contained in any written law from that written law to any other written law to which it more properly belongs or to a separate written law;

- (g) to arrange the written laws, whether consolidated or not, in any group or sequence that may be convenient irrespective of the date of enactment;
- (h) to add a long title, a short title or a citation to any written law which may require it, and, if necessary, to alter the long title, short title or citation of any written law;
- (i) to shorten and simplify the phraseology of any written law;
- (j) to correct grammatical and typographical errors, or any clerical or printing errors in any written law, and for that purpose to make verbal additions, omissions or alterations not affecting the meaning of any written law;
- (k) to add, delete, alter and substitute definitions of terms and expressions in any written law;
- (l) to supply or alter marginal notes, head notes or headings;
- (m) to correct cross-references;
- (n) to make such formal alterations as to names, localities, offices, titles and otherwise as may be necessary to bring any written law into conformity with the circumstances of Guyana;
- (o) to make such modifications and adaptations and to attach such qualifications and exceptions to any written law as may appear to be necessary or desirable by reason of changes in the constitution of Guyana or of any Commonwealth territory or generally in the circumstances of Guyana or in the Government or the public service thereof;
- (p) to do all things relating to form and method which may be necessary for the perfecting of the Laws of Guyana.

12. Nothing in this Act, except in sections 19 and 20, shall be construed to confer power on the Commission to make any alterations or amendments in the substance of any written law.

13. Where in any written law or other instrument or document reference is made to any written law the provisions of which have been by virtue of this Act embodied in the Laws of Guyana, such reference

No power to make alterations of substance.

Construction of reference to laws embodied in the Laws of Guyana.

shall where necessary and practicable be deemed to extend and apply to the corresponding provisions in the Laws of Guyana.

Rectification  
of error or  
omission in  
the Laws of  
Guyana.

14. (1) Where any error or omission in the Laws of Guyana comes to the attention of the Commission, it shall be its duty to take the necessary measures to rectify such error or omission forthwith.

(2) Such error or omission may be rectified —

- (a) by means of an amendment to the Laws of Guyana effected by order of the Commission.
- (b) either alternatively or in addition to the means provided in paragraph (a), by the inclusion in and removal from the Laws of Guyana, in accordance with section 5, of such pages as the circumstances may require.

(3) An amending order under subsection (2) (a) or a Law Revision Order under subsection 2(b) may have retrospective effect to the date of coming into operation of the Law Revision Order from which the error or omission resulted.

Alternative  
mode of  
amending  
Laws.

15. (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 6(1), where the Commission deems it expedient, in the interests of economy or convenience, in revising any page of the Laws of Guyana to which an amendment has been made since the last revision or to which the Commission proposes to make an amendment, the Commission may, as an alternative to incorporating the amendment in the Laws of Guyana by removing the page and inserting in its place a page setting out the law as amended —

- (a) allow the page to which the amendment relates to continue to form part of the Laws of Guyana; and
- (b) include in the Laws of Guyana a page (in this section called an “amendment page”) setting out the particulars of the amendment.

(2) The exercise of its powers under this section in respect of an amendment shall in no way prejudice the power of the Commission at any time to incorporate that amendment in the Laws of Guyana by removing the amended page and inserting in its place a page setting out the law as amended.

(3) An amendment page shall for all purposes form part of the Laws of Guyana and shall be included in or removed from the Laws of Guyana in the same manner as any other page of the Laws of Guyana.

**MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS AND REPEALS**

16. (1) The laws specified in the first column of the Second Schedule are hereby amended in the manner specified in the second column of that Schedule. Amendments.  
Second  
Schedule.

(2) The provisions of the statutory instruments amended in the Second Schedule may, notwithstanding such amendment by Act of Parliament, be henceforth amended or revoked in the same manner and by the same authority as immediately before the commencement of this Act.

(3) Section 23 of the Civil Law of Guyana Ordinance is hereby repealed but the provisions of any statute declared under that section to be part of the law of Guyana shall continue to have effect as if they constituted an enactment of the Parliament of Guyana. Cap. 2

17. (1) The laws set out in the Third Schedule are hereby repealed. Repeals.  
Third  
Schedule.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 7(1), it shall not be necessary to include in the Laws of Guyana any of the laws set out in the Third Schedule.

**COMMISSION'S FURTHER POWERS IN RESPECT OF  
FIRST PUBLICATION AND FIRST REVISION.**

18. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 7(1) (a) and (b), the Commission may incorporate in the first publication of the Laws of Guyana any of the amendments made in the Second Schedule and any other legislation specified for this purpose by order of the President. Incorporation in first  
publication of amend-  
ments in  
Second  
Schedule and  
legislation  
specified by  
order.

19. In the first revision under this Act of any written law in force at the commencement of this Act, the Commission, in addition to the powers conferred on it by section 11, shall have the following power: Commission's  
powers with  
respect to  
first  
revision of  
a law.

- (a) the Commission may substitute the expression "written law" for the expression "statute" wherever the latter expression occurs bearing the meaning assigned to it by the Interpretation Ordinance repealed by the Interpretation and General Clauses Act; Cap. 5  
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5 of 1970.
- (b) where any provision of a written law vests any function in a public officer (which expression in this paragraph includes the President, a Minister, the Attorney-General and a Judge of the Supreme Court) the Commission may substitute a provision vesting the function in any other public officer;
- (c) where any written law provides for subsidiary legislation made by any authority to be submitted

to the National Assembly in such terms that the subsidiary legislation is in substance subject to negative or subject to affirmative resolution of the National Assembly within the meaning of section 17 of the Interpretation and General Clauses Act, the Commission may substitute a provision to the effect that the subsidiary legislation may be made by the authority subject to negative resolution or subject to affirmative resolution, as the case may be, of the National Assembly and may omit any provision contained in the written law as to the period within which the subsidiary legislation is to be submitted to the National Assembly or within which the National Assembly is to approve or annul such subsidiary legislation or any provision as to the proof of any matters or things in relation thereto or any other such ancillary provisions;

30 of 1985.

- (d) notwithstanding the provisions of the British Guiana (Constitution) (Adaptation and Modification of Laws) Ordinance, 1965, where any provision of a written law vests any function in the Governor and Legislative Council, the Commission may substitute a provision vesting such function —
  - (i) in the National Assembly, where the function consists of approving or confirming some act or thing done by some other authority;
  - (ii) in a Minister subject to negative resolution of the National Assembly, where the function consists of the making of subsidiary legislation;
  - (iii) in a Minister with the approval of the National Assembly, in the case of any other function.
- (e) where any law (in whatever terms) prescribes 24 cents, 48 cents, 96 cents, \$2.40, \$4.80, \$9.60, \$24.00, \$48.00, \$96.00, \$240.00, \$480.00 or \$960.00 as a fee or charge (not being a tax or a duty) or as the rate of such fee or charge, the Commission may substitute for these sums 25 cents, 50 cents, \$1.00, \$2.50, \$5.00, \$10.00, \$25.00, \$50.00, \$100.00, \$250.00, \$500.00 or \$1000.00 respectively.

Commission's power with respect to first revision of a law imposing a specified monetary penalty.

20. (1) (a) In the first revision under this Act of any written law imposing a specified monetary penalty, the Commission shall in lieu of such penalty substitute a penalty calculated in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs (b) and (c).

(b) The penalty shall first be increased as follows:

- (i) where the law imposing the penalty was made before the year 1940, the penalty shall be trebled;
  - (ii) where the law imposing the penalty was made in or after the year 1940 but before the 1st July, 1953, the penalty shall be doubled;
  - (iii) where the law was made on or after the 1st July, 1953 but before the year 1964, the penalty shall be increased by fifty per cent.
- (c) The figure arrived at in calculating the increased penalty (in dollars) in accordance with paragraph (b), and any monetary penalty imposed by a law made in 1964 or after, shall be rounded off as follows:
- (i) if less than \$25, the figure shall be rounded off to the next higher figure which is a multiple of five;
  - (ii) if more than \$25 but less than \$50, the figure shall be rounded off to the next higher figure which is a multiple of ten;
  - (iii) if more than \$50 but less than \$100, the figure shall be rounded off to the next higher figure which is a multiple of twenty-five;
  - (iv) if more than \$100 but less than \$300, the figure shall be rounded off to the next higher figure which is a multiple of fifty;
  - (v) if more than \$300 but less than \$500, the figure shall be rounded off to the next higher figure which is a multiple of one hundred;
  - (vi) if more than \$500 but less than \$1000, the figure shall be rounded off to the next higher figure which is a multiple of two hundred and fifty;
  - (vii) if more than \$1000 but less than \$2000, the figure shall be rounded off to the next higher figure which is a multiple of five hundred;
  - (viii) if more than \$2000, the figure shall be rounded off to the next higher figure which is a multiple of one thousand.

(2) Any sum specified in any law for the purpose of a bond or recognizance into which anyone is to enter in respect of a criminal

charge or matter shall be increased in the manner provided by subsection (1) as if the sum were a monetary penalty within the meaning of that subsection.

(3) Any sum specified in any law as a monetary penalty which any authority is authorised to impose in subsidiary legislation in respect of a criminal offence shall be increased in the manner provided by subsection (1) as if the sum were a monetary penalty within the meaning of that subsection.

### VALIDATIONS

Criminal Law (Procedure) Ordinance, Sections 122, 123 and 184, Cap. 11 3 of 1906, 25 of 1918, 88 of 1955.

21. (1) The provisions of sections 122 and 123 of the Criminal Law (Procedure) Ordinance (inserted as sections 119 and 120, respectively, by the Indictable Offences (Procedure) Ordinance, 1893, Amendment Ordinance, 1905) shall be deemed to have continued to have effect after the coming into operation of the Indictable Offences (Procedure) Ordinance, 1893, Amendment Ordinance, 1918, as if they had not been repealed by the latter Ordinance and (subject, in the case of section 122, to the amendment made by the Criminal Law (Procedure) (Amendment No. 2) Ordinance, 1955) shall have effect accordingly.

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(2) The provisions of section 184 of the Criminal Law (Procedure) Ordinance (inserted as section 184 by the Indictable Offences (Procedure) Ordinance, 1893, Amendment Ordinance, 1905) shall be deemed to have continued to have effect after the coming into operation of the Indictable Offences (Procedure) Ordinance, 1893, Amendment Ordinance, 1918, as if they had not been repealed by the latter Ordinance and, subject to the amendment made thereto in the Second Schedule, shall have effect accordingly.

Evidence Ordinance, Section 28, Cap. 25.

22. The affidavit or declaration of a subscribing witness sworn or made under section 28 of the Evidence Ordinance between 25th May, 1966, and the date of commencement of this Act in proof of the due execution of any deed, letter of attorney, or other power or instrument in writing shall be valid and effectual for the purposes of that section if made or sworn before any of the officers or persons before whom such an affidavit or declaration could have been made or sworn immediately before 26th May, 1966.

Evidence Ordinance, Section 29, Cap. 25.

23. Any of the instruments mentioned in section 29 of the Evidence Ordinance certified and legalised, or purporting to be certified and legalised, under the hand and seal of any of the officers or persons before whom it could have been certified and legalised immediately before 26th May, 1966, may, subject to the provisions of the Deeds Registry Ordinance, be recorded in the deeds registry and, if already recorded in the deeds registry, shall be deemed to have been legally and effectually recorded therein and the said section 29 shall apply to such instrument and shall be deemed always to have applied to such instrument as it would apply to an instrument so certified and legalised immediately before 25th May, 1966.



24. Any oath administered or any affidavit taken abroad by a diplomatic agent or a consular officer of Guyana before the coming into operation of section 96B of the Evidence Ordinance (inserted by the Second Schedule of this Act) shall be deemed to be as valid and effectual as if at the time of the administration of the oath or the taking of the affidavit that section had been in operation.

Evidence Ordinance, section 96B Cap. 25.

25. Any licence purporting to be granted under section 38 of the Marriage Ordinance by the Registrar General or the Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Health between 20th September, 1961, and the commencement of this Act shall be as valid and effectual as if granted by the authority empowered by that section to grant such licence.

Marriage Ordinance, Section 38. Cap. 164.

26. Rule 11 of the Business Names Rules as inserted by the Business Names (Amendment) Rules, 1956, shall have effect and shall be deemed always to have had effect as if the fees prescribed therein had been authorised by the provisions of sections 18 and 19 of the Business Names (Registration) Ordinance.

Business Names Rules, Cap. 332. Vol. X p. 3189 R. 2/1956.

### FIRST SCHEDULE

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Documents to be included in Appendix to the Laws of Guyana.

1. Articles of Capitulation proposed in 1803 by the Governor General and the Court of Policy of the Colonies of Essequibo and Demerara, and the Commanding Officers of the Sea and Land Forces of the Batavian Republic in the said Colony, to their Excellencies the Commanders-in-Chief of His Britannic Majesty's Sea and Land Forces off Demerara, with the Answers to such articles; and Additional Articles thereto.
2. The Act relating to the Boundaries between Berbice and Surinam (7th February, 1800), in the English version only.
3. A Proclamation by the Provisional Government and other Members of the Court of Policy and Criminal Justice in the Colony of Berbice relating to the Capitulation of the Colony (27th September, 1803); and Additional Article thereto.
4. Award of the Tribunal of Arbitration constituted under Article I of the Treaty of Arbitration signed at Washington on the 2nd February, 1897, between Great Britain and the United States of Venezuela, dated the 3rd October, 1899.
5. Award of His Majesty the King of Italy with regard to the boundary between the Colony of British Guiana and the United States of Brazil, dated the 6th June, 1904.

Section 16

SECOND SCHEDULE

Miscellaneous Amendments

Law to be Amended	Amendments to be made
High Court Ordinance (Cap. 7) Section 11, 12, 21 and 80	Delete.
20(3)	Delete.
24(1)	Substitute the words "other qualified" for the word "scientific".
29	Substitute the following :  29. The High Court shall be a Court of Admiralty and its admiralty jurisdiction shall be over the like places, persons, matters and things as the Admiralty jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of British Guiana immediately before 26th May, 1966, and shall be a permanent court of unlimited jurisdiction in matters of prize and, subject to rules of court, shall exercise its jurisdiction under this section in accordance with the same rules and principles and shall have the same regard to international law and to the comity of nations as the Supreme Court of British Guiana in the exercise of its corresponding jurisdiction before the said date."
44	Substitute the following  "Admiralty and Prize Jurisdiction." 44 (1) The practice and procedure of the Court shall, subject to the provisions of any other written law, be regulated by this Ordinance and by rules of Court and in the absence of any such provision shall correspond to the practice and procedure of the Supreme Court of British Guiana, including the Court when exercising its admiralty jurisdiction, immediately before 26th May, 1966.  (2) Subject to subsection (1), the Court may in any cause or matter make any order as to the practice and procedure to be followed which the Court considers necessary for doing justice in the cause or matter, whether that order has been expressly asked for by the party entitled to the benefit thereof or not."
67	Substitute the figures "20" and "70" respectively for the figures "16" and "67" appearing in the righthand column of fees.
75(1)(d)	Substitute the following —  "(d) The Attorney-General or such other Law Officer within the meaning of the Legal Practitioners Ordinance as may be appointed by the Attorney-General from amongst the staff of his Chambers;"
75(3)(e)	Substitute a semi-colon for the comma appearing after the word "therein" and delete all the words occurring thereafter.

Law to be Amended	Amendments to be made
Section	
63(1)	Substitute the words "five hundred" for the words "one hundred".
86(1)	Substitute the following — (1) There shall be a division of the High Court styled "The Full Court of the High Court" in this Ordinance referred to as "the Full Court".
Subsidiary Legislation (Cap 7) The Rules of the High Court, 1955 Order 53 rule 3	Substitute the word "fifty" for the word "forty-eight".
Criminal Law (Offences) Ordinance (Cap. 10)	
SECTION:	
15(1)	Delete the words "or any ecclesiastical office or benefice" in paragraph (c) and the word "benefice" wherever it appears.
16	Delete the word "benefices".
17	Delete.
109(b)	Substitute the words "the President, a Minister or a Service Commission" for the words "Her Majesty, or of the Secretary of State, or of the Governor".
115 and 169	Substitute the word "thirty" for the word "ten" and the figure and symbol "\$30" for the figure and symbol "\$10".
117, 171 and 214	Substitute the word "three" for the word "one" and the figure "3" for the figure "1".
116, 160, 170, 183 and 187	Substitute the word "seventy-five" for the word "twenty-five"
166	Substitute the following: "Abolition of distinction between grand and petty larceny. 166. The common law distinction between grand larceny and petty larceny shall have no force or effect in Guyana and every larceny, whatever may be the value of the property, shall be deemed to be of the same nature and shall be subject to all the incidents applicable to grand larceny."
261(a)	Delete all the words appearing after the words "capital stock of" and substitute the following therefor — "any body corporate licensed or otherwise authorised by law to carry on banking business in Guyana or of any body corporate, company or society now established by charter or now or hereafter established by or under any written law; or"
263(a)	Delete all the words beginning with the words "by the corporation"

Law to be Amended	Amendments to be made
Section	and ending with the word "statute" and substitute the following words therefor — <p style="margin-left: 40px;">"by any body corporate licensed or otherwise authorised by law to carry on banking business in Guyana or of any body corporate, company or society now established by charter or now or hereafter established by or under any written law."</p>
264	Delete all the words beginning with the words "any savings bank" and ending with the word "aforesaid" and substitute the following words therefor — <p style="margin-left: 40px;">"any bank, body corporate, company or society mentioned in section 263(a)".</p>
266	(a) Substitute the words "Government security" for the words "exchequer bill, or exchequer bond, or exchequer debenture" in both places where these words appear. <p>(b) Renumber this section as section 266(1) and insert the following as subsection (2) —  <p style="margin-left: 40px;">"(2) For the purposes of this section the expression "Government security" means fixed-date debenture, equity-annuity debenture, treasury savings certificate, treasury savings bond, treasury bill or any other security of a like nature issued by the Government."</p> </p>
267 and 268	Substitute the words "Government securities within the meaning of section 266" for the words "exchequer bills, bonds or debentures" wherever these words appear.
270, 274, 275 and 285	Delete all the words beginning with the word "Governor" and ending with the word "Canada" in section 270 and delete these words wherever they appear and substitute therefor the words "Bank of Guyana."
272 and 273	Delete.
334(1)	Substitute the following for paragraph (iii) <p style="margin-left: 40px;">"(iii) every person holding an office of emolument in a civil capacity in the service of the Government of Guyana."</p>
276(a)	Delete the words "(other than and except the Banks of England and Ireland respectively)."
Criminal Law (Procedure) Ordinance (Cap. 11)	
Section	
7	Delete.
19	(a) Substitute in paragraph (a) of subsection (1) the words "fifty dollars" for the words "twenty dollars".

Law to be Amended	Amendments to be made
Section	(b) Substitute in paragraph (e) of subsection (1) the words "fifty dollars" for the words "forty-eight dollars".
65(1)	(c) Substitute in subsection (5) the words "fifty dollars" for the words "forty-eight dollars". (a) Insert the words "if of the opinion that the evidence has established a prima facie case against the accused" immediately after the words "the magistrate". (b) Delete the words "unless he discharges the accused person".
69	Delete and substitute the following therefor— 69. If at the close of the case for the prosecution, or after hearing the accused or any witnesses he may produce, the magistrate is of the opinion that no sufficient case is made out to put the accused person upon his trial for any indictable offence, he shall discharge the accused and in that case any recognisance taken in respect of the charge shall become void."
72(2)	Delete and substitute the following subsection therefor — "(2)(i) Where before the discharge of the accused person the provisions of sections 65 and 66 have been complied with, the Director of Public Prosecutions may, if after the receipt of those documents and things he is of the opinion that the accused should have been committed for trial remit those documents and things to the magistrate with directions to reopen the inquiry and to commit the accused for trial, and may give such further directions as he may think proper. (ii) (a) Where before the discharge of the accused person the provisions of sections 65 and 66 have not been complied with and the Director of Public Prosecutions, after the receipt of those documents and things, is of the opinion that the evidence given on behalf of the prosecution had established a prima facie case against the accused, the Director of Public Prosecutions may remit those documents and things to the magistrate with directions to reopen the inquiry and to comply with sections 65 and 66, and may give such further directions as he may think proper. (b) After complying with the directions given by the Director of Public Prosecutions under sub-paragraph (a), the Magistrate may either commit the accused for trial or he may adjourn the inquiry and, subject to any directions on the matter given by the Director of Public Prosecutions, forthwith notify the Director of Public Prosecutions who shall give any further directions as he may deem fit and, if of opinion that a sufficient case has been made out for the accused to answer, may direct the magistrate to commit the accused for trial.
184(1)	Substitute a full stop for the colon and delete the proviso.

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Section 210	<p>(a) Delete all the words appearing before the proviso.</p> <p>(b) Substitute the words "No conditional pardon granted by the President to any person convicted of a felony" for the words "Provided that no conditional pardon".</p> <p>(c) Delete the words, "in any case aforesaid."</p> <p>Delete</p>
	Substitute the following —
<p>"Power of President to remit fine or to release offender imprisoned for non-payment thereof.</p>	<p>215. (1) The President may remit in whole or in part, any sum of money imposed as penalty and as costs, charges and expenses in connection with the penalty on any person convicted of an indictable offence although the money may be in whole or in part due and payable, or has already been paid to the State for the public use or to some party other than the State, and may exercise his powers of pardon in favour of any person who may be imprisoned for non-payment of any sum of money so imposed, although the money may be in whole or in part payable to the State for the public use or to some party other than the State.</p> <p>(2) The President may order the restoration of anything forfeited, seized or detained in connection with an indictable offence.</p> <p>(3) Every remission or restoration aforesaid may be made in the manner and subject to the terms and conditions the President sees fit to direct."</p>
<p>Summary Jurisdiction (Magistrates) Ordinance, Cap. 12</p>	
Section 6	Delete and substitute therefor —
<p>"Presiding officer of the court.</p>	<p>6. The presiding officer of a court shall be a magistrate appointed under this Ordinance and assigned to that court by the Chancellor."</p>
7 to 16	Delete sections 7 to 16 (inclusive) and substitute therefor the following sections 7 to 13 —
<p>"Number of Magistrates.</p>	<p>7. There shall be such number of magistrates as may be required for the discharge of the business of the courts established by this Ordinance.</p>
<p>Appointment of magistrates with or without limitation.</p>	<p>8. (1) A person may be appointed —</p> <p>(a) to be a magistrate in a particular district or districts or in a particular part or parts of a district or districts or to adjudicate upon</p>

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Section	particular cases or classes of cases; or
	<p>(b) to be a magistrate for the whole of Guyana with or without limitation with respect to the cases or classes of cases upon which he may adjudicate..</p> <p>(2) There may be one or more magistrates appointed to any court.</p>
Assignment of magistrates and sittings of courts, etc.	<p>9. The Chancellor may assign a magistrate to preside over a particular court or courts or to a court at a particular place or at particular places in the area to which he is appointed and may determine the days and the hours of the sittings of courts and the matters or classes of matters with which particular courts shall deal and generally shall have charge of the administration of the system of courts established by this Ordinance.</p>
Jurisdiction and powers of a magistrate.	<p>10. Subject to any limitation of his jurisdiction under section 8, a magistrate may exercise and administer all the jurisdiction and powers of a magistrate's court in any court within the area of Guyana to which he is appointed.</p>
Residence of magistrate	<p>11. A magistrate assigned exclusively to the court of a district or to the court at a particular place or particular places within a district shall reside in that district unless exempted by the Chancellor from so doing.</p>
Magistrate not to adjudicate where personally interested.	<p>12. The Chancellor may direct that a particular magistrate shall not adjudicate on a particular cause or matter coming before him because of the magistrate's personal interest in that cause or matter or for any other sufficient reason and shall in any such case assign another magistrate to adjudicate on that cause or matter.</p>
Magistrate a justice of the peace.	<p>13. Every magistrate shall ex officio be a justice of the peace for Guyana."</p>
18	<p>Substitute the words "The Registrar of the Supreme Court and every" for the word "Every."</p>
24	<p>Delete and substitute therefor —</p>
Appointment of Clerk of Court and such other officers as may be required.	<p>24. (1) There shall be a clerk of court for each district who shall be the principal administrative officer for the court of that district and whose office shall be situated in such place as the Chancellor shall specify.</p> <p>(2) There shall be such other officers of the court as shall be required for the efficient administration of the system of the courts established by this Ordinance.</p>
	<p>(3) The Chancellor may delegate any of the officers appointed under subsection (2) to perform any of the duties of the clerk of court."</p>

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25	Delete.		
26	Delete.		
27	Substitute the words "of court and the other officers of the court" for the words "and the assistant clerk" and delete the words "and control".		
29(1)	Delete all the words appearing after the words "written up," and substitute the words "and shall be submitted to the Registrar of the Supreme Court at least once in every month to be examined by him."		
30	Delete.		
31	Delete and substitute therefor —		
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37	Delete.		
39	Delete and substitute therefor —		
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40(1)	Substitute the word "court" for the word "magistrate" where it first appears and the word "its" for the word "his".		
40(2)	<p>(a) Substitute the word "court" for the word "magistrate" appearing in the fifth line.</p> <p>(b) Substitute the words "court of the district off whose shore" for the words "magistrate off the shore of whose district".</p>		
41 and 42(1)	Substitute the word "court" for the word "magistrate".		
42 (3) (b)	Substitute the words "ten dollars" for the words "two dollars and forty cents".		
42 (3) (c)	Substitute the word "thirty" for the word "fifteen".		
42(6)	Substitute in paragraph (b) of the proviso the words "ten dollars" for the words "two dollars and forty cents".		
42(13)(a)	Delete and substitute the following subsection —		
	<p>"(13) (a) The Chancellor may appoint the clerk of court or any other officer of the court appointed under section 24(2) to be the collecting officer in a magisterial district for the purposes of this Ordinance."</p>		



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45	<p>(a) Substitute the word "Chancellor" for the word "Governor" in subsection (1);</p> <p>(b) Delete the words "other than the court of the Georgetown district" in subsection (1); and</p> <p>(c) Substitute the word "notice" for the words "order in council" wherever these words appear in subsections (1), (2) and (3).</p>																																																		
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55 . . .	<p>Re-number section 55 as section 55(1) and insert as subsections (2) and (3) the following —</p> <p>"(2) When a magistrate has completed hearing any proceeding or matter whether civil or criminal under any authority however conferred and subsequently ceases to act as a magistrate or has been transferred from that district or is otherwise unable to deliver judgment, a judgment in the proceeding or matter written by him may be read by any other magistrate and entered into the minute book of the court.</p> <p>(3) A judgment so read shall have effect as if delivered by the magistrate hearing the proceeding or matter".</p>																																																		
56(2) . . .	<p>Substitute a semi-colon for the full stop appearing at the end of subsection (2) and insert the following immediately thereafter —</p> <p>"and the signature of the magistrate may be affixed by means of a stamp or facsimile."</p>																																																		
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	(b) Under heading I of Table A entitled "Fees and Costs to be taken by the clerk", substitute for paragraph 2 (j) the following—			
		"(j) exceeds \$225 but does not exceed \$250 and insert the following subparagraphs		\$5.00"
		"(k) exceeds \$250 but does not exceed \$300		\$6.00
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		(n) exceeds \$400 but does not exceed \$450 ...		\$9.00
		(o) exceed \$450		...\$10.00"
Coroners Ordinance Cap. 13 Section 35, 36 and 37	Delete			
48	(a) Substitute the words "order of the Minister" for the words "resolution of the Governor and Legislative Council".			
	(b) Substitute the words "replaced or amended by order of the Minister" for the words "otherwise ordered by the Governor and the Legislative Council".			
Summary Jurisdiction (Offences) Ordinance, Cap. 14				
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14 . . . .	Substitute the words "one hundred and fifty dollars" for the words "fifty dollars".			
42, 43(1) and 45(3) . . .	Substitute the words "one hundred dollars" for the words "twenty-five dollars" wherever these words appear.			
66 and 67	(a) Substitute the words "two hundred dollars" for the words "one hundred dollars" wherever these words appear.			
	(b) Substitute the words "a fine of five hundred dollars" for the words "a penalty of one hundred and fifty dollars" wherever these words appear.			

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69	Substitute the words "two hundred dollars" for the words "one hundred dollars".
72	Substitute the words "a fine of five hundred dollars" for the words "a penalty not exceeding one hundred and fifty dollars" wherever these words appear.
84, 85, 87, and 88	Substitute the words "two hundred dollars" for the words "one hundred dollars" wherever these words appear.
89, 91, 92, 93, 94 99 and 100.	<p>(a) Substitute the words "two hundred dollars" for the words "one hundred dollars" wherever these words appear.</p> <p>(b) Substitute the words "a fine of five hundred dollars" for the words "a penalty of one hundred and fifty dollars" wherever these words appear.</p>
143	Substitute the words "declared" for the words "deemed to be".
144	<p>(a) Renumber as 144(1).</p> <p>(b) Substitute the word "declared" for the words "deemed to be".</p> <p>(c) Delete paragraph (v) and substitute therefor the following —  " (v) plays or bets by way of wagering or gaming in any street, road, highway or other open or public place, or in any open place to which the public have or are permitted to have access to or with any table, dice, cards or other instrument or means of such wagering or gaming at any game or pretended game of chance";</p> <p>(d) Insert in paragraph (xi) the word "unlawfully" immediately before the word "sells" and substitute the word "unlawfully" for the words "in any way",</p> <p>(e) Insert as subsection (2) the following —  "(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (1), where the court, having regard to the youth of the person convicted, his character, or his previous good behaviour, or such other considerations as may seem fit, is of opinion that it would be unduly harsh to declare such person a rogue and vagabond then the court may in its discretion refrain from declaring such person a rogue and vagabond."</p>
156	Substitute the words "to a fine of one hundred and fifty dollars" for the words "to a penalty of fifty dollars".
162(1)	Delete all the words appearing after the words "decently clothed;" and substitute the following therefor — "but the magistrate may allow any relaxation in the requirements of this section he thinks proper having regard to the traditional modes of dress obtaining in any special community to which the person charged may belong".
169	Substitute the word "midnight" for the words "ten o'clock".
171	(a) Delete the word "entire".

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	(b) insert the words "or other cattle" immediately after the word "ass" wherever it occurs.
	(c) Substitute the words "fine of one hundred dollars" for the words "penalty of ten dollars".
182 ... ..	Substitute the words "to a fine of fifty dollars" for the words "to a penalty not exceeding twenty dollars".
199 ... ..	Substitute the words "to a fine of five hundred dollars" for the words "to a penalty of one hundred and fifty dollars".
Summary Jurisdiction (Procedure) Ordinance, Cap. 15.	
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7A ... ..	Delete subsection (14).
12(1) (c) . . .	Delete all the words appearing before the word "issue".
43(1) : : . . .	Substitute the word "fifty" for the word "ten".
47(4) . . . . .	Substitute the words "one hundred dollars" for the words "fifteen dollars".
60(1) ... ..	Substitute the words "two years or to a fine not exceeding two thousand dollars" for the words "twelve months or to a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars."
100(1) ... ..	Delete the words commencing with the word "payable" where it first appears and ending with the words "mercy to" and substitute the words "due and payable to, or has already been paid into the Treasury for the public use or to some party other than the State, and may exercise his power of pardon in favour of".
100(2) . . . . .	Insert the word "forfeited" immediately before the word "seized".
Second Schedule	In Form 3A substitute the words "cause this notice to be submitted within seven days of the date thereof, and pay the prescribed penalty, to the clerk of the abovementioned Magistrate's Court" for the words "bring this notice within seven clear days of the date thereof to the clerk of any Magistrate's Court and pay the penalty prescribed by law".
Summary Jurisdiction (Petty Debt) Ordinance, (Cap. 16)	
Section	
3, 4 and 6 . . . . .	Substitute the words "five hundred dollars" for the words "two hundred and fifty dollars".
14(1) (a) . . . . .	Insert the words "one hundred and" immediately before the word "fifty".

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44(a)	Substitute the words "one hundred dollars" for the words "ten dollars".
Schedule, Form 4	Substitute the words "one hundred dollars" for the words "ten dollars".
Summary Jurisdiction (Appeals) Ordinance, (Cap. 17)	
Section 5(3)	Substitute the word "fifty" for the word "twenty-five".
5(6)	Insert the following as subsection (6) —
	<p style="padding-left: 40px;">“(6) If the appellant fails to prosecute his appeal the sum of twenty-five dollars from the aforesaid sum of fifty dollars shall be forfeited as a Court fee.”</p>
15	Insert the words "or the Director of Public Prosecutions as the case may be" immediately after the words "Attorney General".
Probation of Offenders Ordinance, (Cap. 19)	
Section	Insert the following section —
1A	<p>“Application of Act. 1A. This Act shall in relation to juveniles apply subject to the provisions of the Juvenile Offenders Ordinance.”</p>
2	Insert the following definition immediately after the definition of "district probation committee" —
	<p>“ “juvenile” means a person under the age of seventeen years; ”</p>
3(1)(a)	Insert the words, "where the offender is not a juvenile," immediately before the word "convict".
5	Insert the words "except in the case of a juvenile" immediately after the word "conviction".
6(1)	Substitute a colon for the full stop at the end of the subsection and add the following proviso —
	<p>“Provided that in the case of a juvenile the order for the payment of such damages or such compensation for loss shall be made against the parent or guardian”.</p>
7(3)	Substitute the words "found guilty by, or admits his guilt before" for the words "convicted by".
7(4)	<p>(a) Substitute the words "found guilty, or has admitted before a court his guilt," for the word "convicted" where it first appears in the subsection.</p>
	<p>(b) Substitute in paragraph (a) for all the words appearing after the word "may" the words "in the case of a juvenile, pass any</p>

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	sentence which it could pass if the probationer had just been found guilty before that court of that offence and in any other case, may proceed to conviction and pass any sentence as aforesaid; or".
7(5) ... ..	(a) Substitute the words "found guilty by, or has admitted before before the High Court his guilt," for the words "convicted before the Supreme Court".
	(b) Substitute in paragraph (a) for all the words appearing after the words "Court may" the words "in the case of a juvenile, without proceeding to a conviction pass any sentence which it could pass if the probationer had just been found guilty before that court of that offence and in any other case, may proceed to conviction and pass any sentence as aforesaid; or".
8(3)(a) ... ..	Insert the words "except that in the case of a juvenile the order for the payment of a fine shall be made against the parent or guardian of the juvenile" immediately after the word "dollars".
8(3)(b)(i) ... ..	Substitute for all the words appearing after the word "may" the words "in the case of a juvenile, pass any sentence which it could pass if the probationer had just been found guilty before that court of that offence and in any other case, may proceed to conviction and pass any sentence as aforesaid; or".
10 . . . . .	Insert immediately after —
	(a) the word "convicted" the words "or in the case of a juvenile the recording of his guilt is made".
	(b) the word "conviction" the words "of the guilt, as the case may be".
14(1) . . . . .	(a) Substitute the words "Chief Probation Officer" for the words "Court which makes the probation order".
	(b) Delete the words "by the court".
15(1) * * *	Substitute the words "National Assembly" for the word "Governor".
Traders (Breach of Contract) Ordinance, (Cap. 24)	
Section	
2 . . . . .	Delete the definition of "magistrate".
3, 4, 5, 6, and 7	Substitute the words "one hundred dollars" for the words "twenty-four dollars" wherever these words appear.
Evidence Ordinance (Cap. 25)	
Section	
7 * * * * *	Substitute the following section for section 7 —

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	<p>“Recital of fact in Act or proclamation.</p> <p>7. When any Act of State, or any fact of a public nature may be proved, any statement of it made in a recital contained in any Act or any proclamation of the President is admissible in evidence.”</p>
13 . . . . .	<p>Substitute the words “to any bank licensed under the Banking Act or any other written law to do banking business in Guyana”, for the words “to Barclays Bank (Dominion, Colonial and Overseas), formerly the Colonial Bank of Canada”.</p>
24 . . . . .	<p>(a) For paragraph (iii) substitute the following paragraph: “(iii) all applied Acts;”</p>
	<p>(b) For paragraph (x) substitute the following paragraph: “(x) the Seal of Guyana and the seals of the Supreme Court of Judicature the seals of the superior courts of justice in any Commonwealth territory and, in respect of documents made prior to the 23rd February, 1970, the Great Seal of the United Kingdom and the Privy Seal;”</p>
	<p>(c) In paragraph (xiv) for the words “the United Kingdom,” substitute the words “any Commonwealth territory”, and for the words “the Statutory Declarations Act, 1835, for the Imperial Parliament” substitute the words “any law in force in any such territory.”</p>
31 . . . . .	Delete.
35 . . . . .	Substitute therefore the following section —
	<p>“Records of Commonwealth territories.</p> <p>35. (1) A judicial or public record of any Commonwealth territory may be proved by a copy or extract certified by —</p>
	<p>(a) the officer to whose custody the original is entrusted; or</p>
	<p>(b) any other officer authorised to issue to the public such certified copy or extract and purporting to be sealed and stamped with the seal of the court or office from which such record is issued.</p>
	<p>(2) In relation to records mentioned in this section some other mode of proof may be substituted for or added to that provided in subsection (1) either generally or with respect to any particular Commonwealth territory by rules of court made under the High Court Ordinance.”</p>
37, 38, 39	<p>(a) Renumber section 39(2) as section 39A.</p>
	<p>(b) Delete sections 37, 38, and 39(1) and insert the following —</p>
	<p>37. The minutes of the National Assembly may be proved by copies thereof purporting to be printed by the Government printers or by the authority of the Government or the National Assembly.</p>
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Enactments and minutes of Commonwealth legislatures. 38. (1) The enactments of the legislature of any Commonwealth territory may be proved by copies thereof purporting to be printed by the authority of the Government or the legislature of that territory.

(2) Section 36 shall apply mutatis mutandis to the minutes of the legislature of any Commonwealth territory.

Proof of statutory instruments not falling within section 24.

39. (1) The contents of any instrument to which this section applies may be proved in any of the modes following:

- (a) by the production of a copy of the Gazette purporting to contain the instrument;
- (b) by the production of a copy of the instrument purporting to be printed by the Government printers or by the authority of the President, the Government or the National Assembly;
- (c) by the production of a copy or extract purporting to be certified by —
  - (i) in the case of an instrument issued by the President, the Secretary to the Office of the President;
  - (ii) in the case of an instrument issued by the Cabinet, the Secretary to the Cabinet;
  - (iii) in the case of an instrument issued by a Minister, the Minister or the permanent secretary to the Minister;
  - (iv) in the case of an instrument issued by any other public officer, the officer, the permanent secretary to the Ministry to which the officer belongs or the head of the department to which the officer belongs.

(2) Any copy or extract made under this section may be in writing.

(3) No proof shall be required of the handwriting or official position of any person certifying, in pursuance of this section, to the truth of any copy of or extract from the instrument.

(4) This section applies to any statutory instrument not falling within the provisions of section 24, and to any commission, warrant, public notice, order or regulation issued by or under the authority of the President, the Cabinet, a Minister, or any department, or officer of the Government.

(5) The foregoing provisions of this section shall mutatis mutandis apply to any statutory instrument being an applied law not falling within the provisions of section 24."



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43	<p>“Report of Analyst submitted to him for examination or analysis and report, shall be receivable in any court as evidence of any matter or thing contained therein relating to the examination or analysis.”</p> <p>43. (1) Any document purporting to be a report made under the hand of an Analyst, on any matter or thing duly submitted to him for examination or analysis and report, shall be receivable in any court as evidence of any matter or thing contained therein relating to the examination or analysis.</p>
	<p>(2) Notwithstanding subsection (1) the court may of its own motion or on the application of any party to the proceedings, require the Analyst to attend before the court and give evidence.</p>
	<p>(3) If an Analyst is called on an application under subsection (2) of any party to the proceedings the court may order that party to pay the costs occasioned by his having been so called.</p>
	<p>(4) The provisions of this section shall, with the necessary modifications, apply to a document purporting to be a post mortem report of a duly registered medical practitioner, and to a document purporting to be a report made by such medical practitioner within 48 hours of his examination of any injury received by or the condition of a person which is the subject of a prosecution for a criminal offence.</p>
	<p>(5) In this section, the expression “Analyst” means the Government Analyst, the Assistant Government Analyst, the Radiologist, the Government Bacteriologist and Pathologist, or any person who is an analyst under and for the purposes of any Act.”</p>
44(3)	Substitute the words “ten cents” for the word “fourpence”.
55	Delete from subsection (1) the word “second”.
71	Delete all the words appearing before the words “is ignorant” and substitute the words “Any person who”.
90(1)	Substitute for the words appearing before the proviso to subsection 90(1), the following words —
	<p>“In any proceedings where direct oral evidence of a fact would be admissible, any statement made by a person in a document and tending to establish that fact shall, on production of the original document, be admissible as evidence of that fact if the following conditions are satisfied —</p>
	<p>(a) in civil proceedings, if the maker of the statement either</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="363 1288 1021 1351">(i) had personal knowledge of the matters dealt with by the statement; or</li> <li data-bbox="358 1366 1021 1454">(ii) where the document in question is or forms part of a record purporting to be a continuous record, made the statement (in so far as the matters dealt with thereby are not within his personal knowledge) in the performance of</li> </ol>

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a duty to record information supplied to him by a person who has, or might reasonably be supposed to have, personal knowledge of those matters;

(b) in criminal proceedings, if the document is, or forms part of, a record relating to any trade or business and is compiled, in the course of that trade or business, from information supplied (whether directly or indirectly) by persons who have, or may reasonably be supposed to have, personal knowledge of the matters dealt with in the information they supply;

(c) in either civil or criminal proceedings, if the maker of the statement is called as a witness in the proceedings."

95(1)(a) ...

Substitute the words "cannot be found" for the words beginning with "or kept out" and ending with the words "his behalf".

96 A and 96B

Insert immediately after section 96 the following sections —

"Taking of  
Oaths out-  
side  
Guyana.

96A. Any oath or affidavit required for any purpose in Guyana may be taken or made in any place out of Guyana before any person having authority to administer an oath in that place.

Persons as  
to oaths  
and notar-  
ial act  
abroad.

96B (1) Every diplomatic agent and consular officer of Guyana exercising his functions in any foreign country or place may in that country or place administer any oath and take any affidavit and also do any notarial act which any notary public can do within Guyana; and every oath, affidavit and notarial act administered, sworn, or done by or before any such person shall be as effectual as if duly administered, sworn and done by or before any lawful authority in Guyana.

(2) For every oath administered, affidavit taken or notarial act done under subsection (1), a diplomatic agent or a consular officer shall charge such fee as may be prescribed by order of the Minister responsible for finance; and any reference to a notarial act in section 9 of the Tax Ordinance shall include a reference to a notarial act performed under this section."

First Schedule

Delete the First Schedule.

Second Schedule.

Delete the word "Second" in the heading.

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Orders  
(Facilities for  
Enforcement)  
Ordinance  
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The Whole Ordinance

Substitute the word "Minister" for the word "Governor" or the words "Governor in Council" wherever this word or these words appear.

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In the definition of the word "dependants" substitute the words "the Commonwealth territory" for the words "the part of Her Majesty's dominions".

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Delete and substitute therefor the following —

"Extension of Ordinance

12(1) Where the Minister is satisfied that reciprocal provisions have been made by the legislature of any Commonwealth territory other than the United Kingdom for the enforcement within that territory of maintenance orders made by courts within Guyana, the Minister may by order declare that this Ordinance shall extend to maintenance orders made by courts in that Commonwealth territory in like manner as it extends to maintenance orders made within England and Ireland, and on that order being made this Ordinance shall extend accordingly.

(2) In the application of this Ordinance to a Commonwealth territory other than the United Kingdom, orders intended to be registered or confirmed in that territory shall be transmitted to the Minister (by whatever named called) of the Government of that territory charged with responsibility for this function or to the officer administering the Government of that territory."

## Legal Practitioners Ordinance (Cap. 30)

## Section

4

Substitute the following section —

of barristers and solicitors.

4. (1) The Court may at any time admit any person to practise as a barrister or as a solicitor if —

- (a) that person is a citizen of Guyana or a citizen of or a person belonging to such other Commonwealth territory as the Minister may by order specify;

Provided that no such order shall be made in respect of any Commonwealth territory unless reciprocal arrangements have been made with that territory for Guyanese citizens to be qualified to practise in that territory;

- (b) that person holds a Legal Education Certificate from the Council of Legal Education of the Commonwealth Caribbean;
- (c) for such period, if any, as the Minister may by order specify, that person has —
- (i) in the case of a barrister, served as a pupil in the chambers of a barrister in practice in Guyana or in any Commonwealth territory designated by order of the Minister; or
- (ii) in the case of a solicitor, served under articles of clerkship with a solicitor in practice in Guyana or in any Commonwealth territory designated by order of the Minister.

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(2) Notwithstanding subsection (1), the Court may admit to practise as a barrister or as a solicitor any person who falls within the description of paragraph 1 or paragraph 2 of Part 1 of the Fourth Schedule, and any such person may be admitted in accordance with the provisions contained in Part 11 of the said Schedule.

(3) The Court may, upon cause shown, refuse to admit any person as a barrister or as a solicitor, notwithstanding his having the qualifications mentioned in subsections (1) and (2).

(4) (a) Any Law Officer shall, so long as he continues to hold an office mentioned in paragraph (b) have and enjoy all the rights and privileges of a barrister entitled to practise in the Courts of Guyana.

(b) In this subsection, the expression "Law Officer" means a person called to the Bar of a Commonwealth territory who holds office as the Attorney-General, or on the staff of his Chambers, or as the Director of Public Prosecutions or an officer subordinate to him and acting under and in accordance with his general or special instructions.

(5) In this section, the expression "citizen of a Commonwealth territory", in relation to a dependent territory, means a person having such connection with the dependent territory as may be prescribed by order of the Minister."

Substitute the words "section 4(1) or (2)" for the words "the last preceding section".

6, 7, 8, 9, 10,  
12, 13 and 14

Delete these sections from the part of the Ordinance where they now appear and insert them in Part 2 of the Fourth Schedule as paragraphs 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, respectively, subject to the following amendments;

- (a) With respect to section 6 (renumbered paragraph 2) —
- (i) in paragraph (c) delete the words commencing with the words "the degree of" and ending with the words "of Cambridge" and substitute therefor the words "such degree at such University as may be approved by order of the Minister";
  - (ii) in the proviso to paragraph (c), substitute the words "person who has obtained such degree" for the words "graduate in law in any of the aforesaid Universities or of any University designated by order of the Attorney General";
  - (iii) in paragraph (d), substitute the words, "at any University approved by the Minister" for the words, "at any of the Universities mentioned in the preceding paragraph or at the University designated by order of the Attorney General."
- (b) With respect to section 7 (renumbered paragraph 3) —

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33(1) . . . . .

33(2) . . . . .

39 . . . . .

Fourth Schedule

- (i) in paragraph (a), substitute the words, "approved by order of the Minister under paragraph 2(1) (c) or (d)" for the words "mentioned in or designated by the Attorney General under section 6 of this Ordinance."
- (ii) in paragraph (b), substitute the words "a Commonwealth territory" for the words "England, Scotland or Northern Ireland";
- (iii) in paragraph (c), substitute the words "admitted to membership of the Bar in a Commonwealth territory" for the words "called to the Bar in England or Northern Ireland or admitted a member of the Faculty of Advocates in Scotland";
- (iv) in paragraph (e) substitute the word "Minister" for the words "Attorney General", and substitute the words "sub-paragraph (d)" for the words "paragraph (d)".

## (c) With respect to section 9 (renumbered paragraph 5) —

Substitute the words "approved by order of the Minister under paragraph 2(1) (c) or (d)" for the words "mentioned in or designated by the Attorney General under section 6 of the Ordinance" where these words appear in subsection (1), and in subsection (2).

~~(d) With respect to section 10 (renumbered paragraph 6) —~~

- (i) Substitute the words "any Commonwealth territory designated by order of the Minister" for the words "the United Kingdom" in subsection (1) and for the words "an overseas country" in subsection (3);
- (ii) Delete subsection (4).

## (e) With respect to section 14 (renumbered paragraph 9) —

Substitute the words "approved by the Minister under paragraph 2(1) (c) or (d)" for the words "mentioned in or designated by the Attorney General under section 6 of the Ordinance".

- (a) Insert the words "the Cbancellor", immediately before the words "Chief Justice" where these words appear the first time;
- (b) Substitute the word "Chancellor" for the words "Chief Justice" where these words appear the second time.

Substitute the word "Chancellor" for the words "Chief Justice".

Delete all the words appearing after the word "Court" and substitute therefor the words "shall be certified by the Minister and shall be paid out of moneys provided by Parliament".

Insert the following immediately after the Third Schedule —

**"FOURTH SCHEDULE****Part I**

Persons who may be admitted to practise under section 4 (2) not withstanding the provisions of section 4 (1).

1. Any national who is on 1st October, 1972, qualified to be admitted to practise as a barrister or a solicitor in Guyana, under the provisions contained in Part II of this Schedule.

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2. Any national who prior to 1st October, 1972 was undergoing or had been accepted for a course of legal training which would under the provisions set out in Part 11 of this Schedule have qualified him to practise in Guyana and who satisfied the requirements of such course on or before 31st December, 1980.
3. In this Part of the Schedule —  
 "national" means a person who (a) is a citizen of Antigua, Bahamas, Barbados, British Honduras, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Jamaica, Montserrat, St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla, St. Lucia, St. Vincent or Trinidad and Tobago, or (b) is regarded as belonging to any of those territories under any law in force in that territory.

## Part II

1. The Court shall have power at any time to admit, those persons who have been called to the Bar of any Commonwealth territory designated by order of the Minister to practise as a barrister and those persons who have been admitted as solicitors of a superior court having unlimited jurisdiction in civil and criminal matters in any Commonwealth territory designated by order of the Minister:

Provided that the Court may, upon cause shown, refuse to admit any person as a barrister or solicitor notwithstanding his having the qualification aforesaid.

Public Notaries  
Ordinance (Cap.  
31)

Section

8 . . . . .

Delete.

Deeds Registry  
Ordinance (Cap.  
32)

Section

16(1). . . . .

Insert the words "sworn clerk and" immediately before the words "notary public".

Second Schedule  
Rule

2 . . . . .

Insert the words "sworn clerk and" immediately before the words "notary public".

Rule 25 . . . . .

Delete.

Subsidiary  
Legislation  
(Cap 32)

Deeds Registry

Fees

Regulations.

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Schedule

Item

30 . . . . .

For the figure "4.70" substitute the figure "5.00".

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Friendly Societies Ordinance (Cap. 34)  Section 13 . . . . .  22(2) . . . . .	Substitute a full stop for the semi-colon at the end of paragraph (c) and delete the word "and" appearing immediately thereafter and paragraph (d).  Substitute the word "fifty" for the word "twenty-four".
Industrial and Provident Societies Ordinance, (Cap. 35)  Section 24(1) and (3), 26(1) . . . . .  25(1), 50(1) . . . . .  43(2) . . . . .	Substitute the words "five hundred" for the words "four hundred and eighty" wherever these words appear.  Substitute the words "one thousand" for the words "nine hundred and sixty" wherever these words appear.  Insert the words "and after the death of such servant to his personal representatives" immediately after the word "account".
Statutory Declarations Ordinance, (Cap. 36)  Section 3 . . . . .          Bastardy Ordinance, (Cap. 40) Sections 4(1) . . . . .  4(2) . . . . . 4(3) . . . . . 6(2) . . . . .	(a) Renumber as subsection (1); and (b) Add as subsection (2) the following —  "(2) Subject to section 7, wherever by any written law specified by order of the Minister for the purposes of this section an oath or an affidavit may, or is, required to be taken or made by any person for any purpose, any judge, magistrate, justice of the peace, notary public, commissioner authorised to administer oaths to affidavits, or other officer authorised to administer an oath, may take the declaration of such person in the form in the Schedule and such declaration shall for all purposes whatsoever have effect as if it were an oath or an affidavit, as the case may be, taken or made by such person under that written law."  Substitute the words "seven dollars and fifty cents" for the words "three dollars".  Substitute the word "twenty-five" for the word "three".  Substitute the word "twenty-five" for the word "five".  Substitute the words "seven dollars and fifty cents" for the words "three dollars".

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Juvenile Offenders Ordinance,  
(Cap. 41)  
Section  
2 . . . . .

- (a) Substitute for the definition "young person" the following —  
"young person" means a person who has attained the age of fourteen years and is under the age of seventeen years.
- (b) Immediately after the definition "young person" insert the following —  
"juvenile" means a person under the age of seventeen years;
- (c) Substitute the following definition for the definition of "probation officer" —

"probation officer" means a public officer whose duties include the performance of the functions of a probation officer under this Ordinance;

Insert the following section immediately after section 2 —

"Child under ten years.

2A. It shall be conclusively presumed that no child under the age of ten years can be guilty of an offence."

Substitute the word "seventeen" for the word "sixteen" wherever it occurs.

3, 4, 5, 16, 22,  
23 . . . . .

Delete the words "conviction and".

9(2) (b) . . . . .

Substitute the words "the court shall order that the fine, or the damages or costs awarded, be paid by the parent or guardian of the child or young person" for all the words appearing between the word "punishment" and the word "instead".

11(1) . . . . .

Delete and substitute therefor the following section —

12 . . . . .

"Exemption from imprisonment.

12. No child or young person shall be sentenced to imprisonment."

Insert the following section immediately after section 12.

12A . . . . .

"Mode of dealing with juvenile found guilty.

12A. "Where a juvenile is found guilty of an offence under any law, the court shall not proceed to a conviction, but may deal with the offender in accordance with this Ordinance."

13 . . . . .

Substitute the words "found guilty or enters a plea of guilty to a charge of" for the words "convicted of".

14 . . . . .

- (a) Substitute the words "found guilty or enters a plea of guilty to a charge of" for the words "convicted of".
- (b) Substitute the words "school for young offenders for a period not exceeding one year" for the words "place of detention for a period not exceeding six months".



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15(1)	(a) Substitute the word "seventeen" for the word "fourteen".
16	(b) Insert the words, "or is in need of care and protection" immediately after the word "guardianship" in paragraph (b).  Substitute the words "person", "he" and "him" for the words "girl", "she" and "her", respectively.
17	Delete.
18	Delete and substitute therefor the following section —
"Methods of dealing with children and young persons charged with offences."	18. Where a child or young person charged with any offence is tried by any court, and the court is satisfied of his guilt, the court shall not record a conviction against him, and may make an order —
	(a) dismissing the charge; or
	(b) discharging the offender on his entering into a recognisance; or
	(c) discharging the offender and placing him under the supervision of a probation officer; or
	(d) committing the offender to the care of a relative or other fit person or of an institution named by the court; or
	(e) sending the offender to a training school within the meaning of the Training Schools Ordinance; or
	(f) in special cases where having regard to the nature of the offence and to the character and antecedents of the offender the court may consider it necessary, order the offender to be whipped; or
	(g) ordering the offender to pay a fine, damages, or costs; or
	(h) ordering the parent or guardian of the offender to pay a fine, damages, or costs; or
	(i) ordering the parent or guardian of the offender to give security for his good behaviour; or
	(j) committing the offender to custody in a place of detention provided under this Ordinance; or
	(k) where the offender is a young person, such as could be made under section 3 of the Extra-Mural Work Ordinance, 1955, and in that event the provisions of that Ordinance shall
Ordinance No. 51 of 1955	

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Section	apply with such modifications as are necessary to bring them into accord with this Ordinance."
21 . . . . .	Delete all the words beginning with the word "whether" and ending with the word "costs".
23 . . . . .	<p>(a) Substitute the following words for all the words appearing before paragraph (b) —</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">"The Minister may make regulations —</p> <p style="padding-left: 80px;">(a) as to the places to be used as places of detention, and as to their management and their inspection, and as to the classification, treatment, employment, discipline, control and welfare of children and young persons detained in custody in a place of detention, and for the children and young persons whilst so detained being visited from time to time by persons appointed in accordance with regulations."</p> <p style="padding-left: 80px;">(b) Substitute the words "young persons" for the word "girls" wherever it appears in paragraph (b).</p>
Insolvency Ordinance (Cap. 43) Section	
5 (a)	Substitute the word "fifty" for the word "forty".
26	Substitute the word "twenty-five" for the word "twenty-four".
39(1)(a)	Insert the words "or public corporation established by statute for the purpose of administering a public utility undertaking" immediately before the words "at the date".
106(1) . . .	Substitute the words "two thousand dollars" for the words "five hundred dollars".
106(3) . . . . .	Delete.
121(1) . . . . .	Delete the words commencing with the word "Sunday" and ending with the words "does not sit" and substitute therefor the words "public holiday or day on which the office of the Registrar is closed".
125 . . . . .	Delete.
126 . . . . .	Delete.
Subsidiary Legislation The Insolvency Rules (Vol. VII p. 573) Rules 3(2) . . .	
	<p>(a) Substitute the words "seven days, any public holiday" for all the words appearing between the word "than" and the words "and any".</p> <p>(b) Delete the word "wholly".</p>
Schedule of Fees	(a) Save for the fees specified in paragraph (b) below, all the fees set out in the right-hand column of this Schedule under the



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Patoir Trust Fund (Cap. 51) Section	
3 . . . . .	Insert the following immediately after section 2 as section 3 and re-number the following sections accordingly —
	<p>“Functions vested in Minister. 3. All functions vested by the will in the Governor in respect of the fund are hereby vested in the Minister.”</p>
7 . . . . .	Substitute the words “National Assembly” for the words “Governor and Legislative Council”.
District Government Ordinance, (Cap. 56)	
Section	
3 . . . . .	Renumber as section 3A.
9(2) . . . . .	Delete.
10 . . . . .	Delete.
Schedule . . . . .	Delete.
Official Designations Ordinance, (Cap. 57)	
Section	
4 . . . . .	Delete all the words appearing after the word “schedule”.
Commissions of Inquiry Ordinance, (Cap. 59)	
Section	
2 . . . . .	Delete and substitute therefor the following section —
“Power to issue commission.	<p>“2(1) The President may issue a commission appointing one or more commissioners and authorising such commissioner or commissioners to inquire into any matter in which an inquiry would, in the opinion of the President, be for the public welfare.</p>
	<p>(2) Every such commission shall specify the subject, nature and extent of the inquiry, and may contain directions in the following matters —</p>
	<p>(a) in what manner the Commission shall be executed;</p>
	<p>(b) if there be more Commissioners than one which of them shall act as chairman;</p>
	<p>(c) what number of them shall constitute a quorum;</p>
	<p>(d) the place and time where and within which the inquiry shall be made and the report thereof rendered;</p>

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<p>Section</p> <p>12(2) . . . . .</p> <p>14 . . . . .</p> <p>Old Age Pensions Ordinance, (Cap-63)</p> <p>Section</p> <p>2 . . . . .</p>	<p>(e) whether or not the inquiry shall be held in public, with reservation nevertheless to the commissioners to exclude any person or persons if they deem fit for the due conduct of the inquiry, the preservation of order or for any other reason;</p> <p>(f) and generally for the better giving effect to the purpose of the inquiry."</p> <p>Substitute the words "on summary conviction to a fine of five hundred dollars and to imprisonment for six months" for all the words appearing after the word "liable".</p> <p>Delete the words "Governor may direct the", and substitute the words "shall detail" for the words "to detail".</p>
<p>Section</p> <p>2 . . . . .</p>	<p>(a) Substitute the word "Georgetown" for the words "Georgetown area" wherever these words appear in the definition of "appropriate authority".</p> <p>(b) Delete the definition of "Georgetown area".</p>
<p>8(1) . . . . .</p> <p>Legislative Bodies (Evidence) Ordinance (Cap. 67)</p> <p>Section</p> <p>2 . . . . .</p>	<p>Substitute the word "Georgetown" for the words "the Georgetown area" wherever these words appear.</p>
<p>Section</p> <p>2 . . . . .</p> <p>3(1) . . . . .</p>	<p>Delete and substitute therefor the following section —</p> <p>"Interpretation</p> <p>2. In this Ordinance —</p> <p>"legislative body" means —</p> <p>(a) the Cabinet; or</p> <p>(b) any Special Select Committee of the National Assembly; or</p> <p>(c) any Committee of the National Assembly empowered by resolution of the Assembly to summon witnesses;</p> <p>"Committee" means a Committee referred to in the definition of "legislative body."</p> <p>(a) Delete the bracket appearing after the words "for its determination" and the bracket appearing after the words "of that question";</p> <p>(b) Delete the words, "when the question arises for determination of the Governor in Council or the Governor and Legislative Council,".</p>

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4(1) ... ..

Delete the comma and all the words appearing after the word "it".

4(2) ... ..

Substitute the following for subsection (2) —

"(2) Any oath to be administered to a witness appearing before the Cabinet or before a Committee shall be administered by the Secretary to the Cabinet or by the Chairman of the Committee or a person appointed by the Chairman, as the case may be."

5 ... ..

Substitute the words "person carrying out the functions of secretary to the body" for the words "Chief Secretary".

6 ... ..

- (a) Substitute the words "shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine of five hundred dollars and to imprisonment for for six months" for all the words appearing in subsection (1) after the words "member thereof," and before the proviso.
- (b) Delete subsection (2) and (3) and renumber section 6(1) as section 6.

7 ... ..

- (a) Substitute the words "a legislative body" for the words "the Governor in Council, or by the Governor and Legislative Council, or by any committee of the Council appointed by the Governor,".
- (b) Substitute the word "its" for the word "their".
- (c) Substitute the following paragraph for paragraph (c) —  
 "(c) three or more members of the Cabinet or of a Committee shall have all the powers of the Cabinet or of that Committee, respectively, under this Ordinance."

Promissory Oaths  
Ordinance,  
(Cap. 70)  
Section  
9A (2) ... ..

Substitute the words "the President" for the words "such Council".

Public Officers  
(Insurance)  
Ordinance,  
(Cap. 71)  
Section  
2 ... ..

- (a) Substitute the words "to any public office" for all the words appearing after the figure "1900" and before the word "which".
- (b) Delete paragraph (a) and reletter paragraphs (b) and (c) as (a) and (b) respectively.
- (c) Substitute the words "one thousand" for the words "four hundred and eighty".

10 ... ..

Delete the words "may by order so declare and".

Widows and  
Orphans Pension  
Ordinance (Cap.  
75)  
Section  
22(1)(c)

Substitute the words "two hundred and fifty dollars" for the words

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33	<p>"fifty pounds" and the words "three hundred and seventy-five dollars" for the words "seventy-five pounds".</p> <p>(a) Delete subsection (2) and renumber subsection (3) as subsection (2);</p> <p>(b) Substitute the words "five hundred dollars" for the words "one hundred pounds" where these words appear in paragraph (a) and in paragraph (c) of the proviso to subsection (3).</p>
39	Delete subsection (2) and renumber subsection (3) as subsection (2).
Subsidiary Legislation Widows and Orphans Pension Order (Vol. VII p. 821)	Delete.
Widows and Orphans Pension (Rates Contribution) Order 1945 (Vol. VII p. 822)	Delete.
Prevention of Crimes, Ordinance, (Cap. 78)	
Section	
11 . . . . .	Substitute the words "section 15 of the Juvenile Offenders Ordinance applies and the court by which the woman is convicted or a magistrate's court may make an order under that section in respect of those children or any of them as if it were a juvenile court and the provisions of the Juvenile Offenders Ordinance shall mutatis mutandis apply to such order" for all the words occurring after the word "whom".
Cattle Stealing Prevention Ordinance, (Cap 81)	
Section	
4 . . . . .	<p>Renumber subsections (4) and (5) as subsections (5) and (6) respectively and insert the following as subsection (4) —</p> <p>"(4) A person whose name does not already appear in the register of brands may apply to the Commissioner to enter a brand in his name in the register."</p>
9(2) . . . . .	Insert the words "or in any way marked" immediately after the words "so branded".
9(3) . . . . .	Insert the words "or marking" immediately after the word "branding" and the words "or marked" immediately after the word "branded".
15(2) & (3) and 16(2)	Substitute the word "fifty" for the word "ten".
21 . . . . .	Renumber sections 21 and 22 as sections 22 and 23 respectively and insert the following section as section 21 —

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"Regulations. 21. (1) The Minister may make Regulations for carrying the purposes and provisions of this Ordinance into effect and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing power, these Regulations may provide for —

- (a) the division of Guyana into districts for any purposes of this Ordinance;
- (b) the registration of brands in the particular districts in which cattle may be at any given time and the particulars and information to be supplied and recorded for such registration;
- (c) the establishment, management and control of cattle markets and abattoirs;
- (d) regulating the mode, manner, place or other conditions relating to sales, purchases, and other transactions involving the transfer of ownership of cattle or of meat;
- (e) regulating the mode, manner, place or other conditions relating to the slaughter of cattle;
- (f) the system to be used and the procedure to be followed, including the notices to be given, the information to be supplied and the records to be kept in respect of transactions referred to in paragraphs (d) or (e);
- (g) the fees to be charged in respect of abattoirs, markets, the slaughter of animals, and other transactions under the Ordinance and any charges to be made for administrative duties undertaken by the police and other officers in respect of matters arising under the Ordinance.

(2) Any regulation may impose liability to a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars and imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years for any breach thereof.

Insert the following immediately after section 23 —

"Declaration of emergency areas. 24. The Minister may, where he is satisfied that the prevailing circumstances in any area of Guyana requires additional measures to be taken for the suppression therein of cattle stealing, by order declare that area to be a cattle stealing emergency area and thereupon a magistrate shall during the continuance of the order, have jurisdiction to hear and determine any charge of larceny of cattle or receiving stolen cattle committed within such area, and notwithstanding any written law to the contrary, may impose on any person guilty of any such offence a penalty of three years imprisonment."

24

Section

Education  
Ordinance  
(Cap. 91.)

Section

2

Insert in the definition of the expression "industrial school" —

- (a) immediately after the word "means" the word "(a)";
- (b) immediately after the semi-colon the words "or (b) a practical



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Section  Subsidiary Legislation Education Code (Cap. 91) (Vol. VIII p. 982) Regulation 15 to 20 ...	<p>instruction centre established by the Government in which agriculture, home economics, industrial art, or subjects of a like nature are taught;".</p> <p>Delete Regulations 15 to 20 (inclusive) and substitute therefor the following regulations —</p> <p>15. Out of moneys provided by Parliament the Chief Education Officer shall pay a grant-in-aid to each governing body at such rate as the Minister may from time to time prescribe by notice published in the Gazette for each of the following purposes —</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) for providing and maintaining suitable buildings, outhouses and play grounds for schools of the governing body;</li> <li>(b) for the maintenance of clean and sanitary latrines which shall be the duty of the headteacher of each school;</li> <li>(c) for the maintenance and upkeep of each school garden established by the schools of the governing body; and</li> <li>(d) for providing tools, appliances and materials for the teaching of needlework and for the teaching of some special form of handicraft in respect of each school in which the Chief Education Officer is satisfied that regular and proper instruction is being given.</li> </ul>
Provision of Furniture and Educational Supplies	<p>16. (1) Out of moneys provided by Parliament and in accordance with such rate as the Minister may from time to time prescribe by notice published in the Gazette, the Chief Education Officer shall provide and issue to a governing body in respect of each of its school, such furniture, equipment, apparatus, materials, books, stationery and other educational supplies as he considers necessary for the efficient working of the school:</p> <p>Provided that if in the opinion of the Chief Education Officer it is not convenient to issue any of such educational supplies, the Chief Education Officer may pay to the governing body a block grant to the value thereof.</p> <p>(2) All furniture, equipment, apparatus and materials which are in a school shall be kept clean and in good order, and shall be marked with the name of the school."</p>

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30 to 39	Delete Regulations 30 to 39 (inclusive) and substitute therefor the following regulations —
“Number of teachers and conditions of grants.	30. The number of teachers in respect of whose salaries grants may be paid to governing bodies of schools, and the conditions subject to which such grants may be paid shall be prescribed from time to time by the Minister by notice published in the Gazette.
Salaries to be prescribed.	31. The salaries of teachers of a school shall be in accordance with such scales and subject to such conditions as may be prescribed by the Minister from time to time and published in the Gazette.”
Government School Certificate Scholarships Regulations (Vol. VIII p. 1065)	
The whole Regulations	Substitute the words “General Certificate” for the words “School Certificate” wherever these words appear.
Regulation 5	Substitute the words “General Certificate Examination of the University of London (Overseas)” for the words “School Certificate Examinations of the University of Cambridge Local Examinations Syndicate”.
Essequibo Boys' School Ordinance, (Cap. 93)	
Long title	Insert as the long title thereto, the following —
	“An Ordinance to provide for the establishment of schools for the rehabilitation, and for the vocational and other training of young offenders who have not attained the age of eighteen years and for purposes connected therewith.”
Section	
1 ... ..	Substitute therefor —
	“Short title. 1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Training Schools Ordinance.”
2 ... ..	Substitute therefor —
	“Interpretation. 2. In this Ordinance —
	“training school” means —
	(i) a school established under section 4(1);
	or
	(ii) a school certified under section 4(3) for the purposes of section 3;

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Heading to section 3	<p>"supervisor" means the person responsible for the administration and management of a school"</p>
3	<p>Delete the heading to section 3.</p> <p>Substitute therefor —</p>
3	<p>"Purpose of this Ordinance.</p> <p>3. The purpose of this Ordinance is to provide for the establishment or the certification of schools, for either sex or both sexes, for the rehabilitation, and for the vocational and other training of, young offenders who have not attained the age of eighteen years."</p>
4	<p>Substitute therefor —</p> <p>"Specifying and certifying of schools.</p> <p>4. (1) The Minister may by order-</p> <p>(a) establish a school by declaring any house, building, enclosure, place or part thereof to be a school and may in such order specify the name by which such school shall be known; or</p> <p>(b) direct that any schools specified under subsection (1)(a) shall cease to be a school.</p>
5	<p>(2) Every school specified under subsection (1) shall be maintained by moneys provided by Parliament.</p> <p>(3) The Minister may —</p> <p>(a) pursuant to application made to him in that behalf by the supervisor thereof, certify by order that any institution of the character described in section 3 and maintained either wholly or partly by voluntary contribution shall be a school; or</p> <p>(b) by order direct that any school certified under subsection (3)(a) shall cease to be a school.</p> <p>Substitute therefor —</p>
5	<p>"Saving of existing schools.</p> <p>5. The school established by the Essequibo Boys' School Ordinance, 1907 is continued as if it were a school established under section 4(1).</p>
6	<p>Substitute therefor —</p> <p>"Staff of schools.</p> <p>1. The Minister may out of moneys provided by Parliament provide any school with such staff as he may consider necessary for carrying out the purposes of this Ordinance."</p>

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Section 7	Delete this section.
8(1)	For this subsection substitute the following — “(1) The Minister shall appoint a visiting committee for each school.”
9	For this section substitute the following — “Regulations. 9. The Minister may make regulations —
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) for the appointment of visiting committees and the functions of such committees;</li> <li>(b) for the proper classification of inmates;</li> <li>(c) for the proper instruction, moral and religious and vocational training, and rehabilitation of the inmates;</li> <li>(d) for the establishment of a system of punishments and awards (including the award of small money payments);</li> <li>(e) generally, for the maintenance of proper discipline, and for the proper conduct and management of schools.”</li> </ul>
10	Substitute <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) the word “February” for the word “April”</li> <li>(ii) the word “Supervisor” for the word “Headmaster”.</li> </ul>
11	(a) For the heading immediately before this section substitute the following heading —
	<b>“SENDING PERSONS TO SCHOOLS”</b>
	(b) For this section substitute the following — “Youths guilty of certain offences may be sent to a school. 11. Where a person apparently under the age of seventeen years is found guilty of an offence punishable in the case of an adult by imprisonment, the court may order that such person be sent to a school for a period not less than two years and not more than three years:
	Provided that no person shall be so detained beyond the age of eighteen years.”
12(1)	Substitute — <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) the word “person” for the word “boy”;</li> <li>(ii) the word “seventeen” for the word “sixteen”.</li> </ul>
12(2)	For this subsection substitute the following —

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"(2) The magistrate before whom such a person is brought as coming within one of those descriptions, if from the evidence he is satisfied of that fact, shall order an inquiry to be made into the history and circumstances of such person, and if it is expedient to deal with such person under this Ordinance, may order such person to be sent to a school:

Provided that in the case of a first offence, if the parent or guardian of such person appears before the magistrate, and claims such person, he shall be delivered up to the parent or guardian on the parent or guardian undertaking in writing to be responsible for his good behaviour."

13 . . . Delete this section.

14 . . . For this section substitute the following —

"Refractory youths may be sent to a school.

"14. Where the parent, or step-parent, or guardian, of a person apparently under the age of seventeen years represents to a magistrate that he is unable to control such person, and that he desires that such person be sent to a school under this Ordinance, the magistrate, if on inquiry he is satisfied that it is expedient to deal with such person under this Ordinance, may order him to be sent to a school."

15 . . . (a) Substitute the word "person" for the word "boy" wherever it occurs.

(b) Substitute the word "a" for the word "the" wherever it occurs before the word "school".

16 . . . (a) Substitute the word "person" for the word "boy" wherever it occurs.

(b) Substitute the word "a" for the word "the" before the word "school".

(c) Substitute the word "supervisor" for the word "head-master".

18 . . . For this section substitute the following —

"Sending youthful offenders to a school.

"18. Where any offender who, in the judgment of the court, is under the age of seventeen years is found guilty of an offence punishable with imprisonment before the High Court in its criminal jurisdiction, the Court, instead of awarding a sentence of imprisonment, may order him to be sent to a school, and to be there detained for a period of not less than two-years and not more than three:

Provided that no person shall be so detained beyond the age of eighteen-years."

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19	<p>Substitute —</p> <p>(i) for the word “the” before the word “school” the word “a”;</p> <p>(ii) for the word “headmaster” the word “supervisor” and</p> <p>(iii) for the word “youthful” the word “young”.</p>
20	<p>Substitute the word “a” for the word “the” where it first occurs before the word “school” and the word “young” for the word “youthful”.</p>
21	<p>(a) Substitute the words “found guilty” for the “convicted”.</p> <p>(b) Substitute the word “a reformatory or other institution” for the words “an industrial school or reformatory or other similar institution”.</p>
22	<p>(a) Substitute the word “A” in the heading immediately before the section for the word “The”.</p> <p>(b) For this section substitute the following —</p>
<p>“Penalties for in-discipline.</p>	<p>22. (1) Any boy detained in a school who wilfully refuses or neglects to conform to the regulations thereof, may, for every offence, be ordered by the Supervisor, or the person in charge, to be whipped with such instrument as the Minister may prescribe, the punishment not to exceed six strokes, or to be kept in solitary confinement for a period not exceeding one day:</p> <p>Provided that for maintaining discipline in the school-room the school-master, with the approval of the Supervisor, Manager or other person in charge, may inflict not more than three strokes with such instrument as the Minister may prescribe.</p> <p>(2) Any girl detained in a school who wilfully refuses or neglects to conform to the regulations thereof, may, for every offence, be ordered by the headmaster to be kept in solitary confinement for a period not exceeding one day:</p> <p>Provided that nothing in this section shall be construed as empowering a headmaster to keep a boy or girl in solitary confinement for more than twenty-four consecutive hours under any circumstances.”</p>
23	<p>For this section substitute the following —</p> <p>23. Any person ordered to be detained at a school who escapes therefrom at any time before the expiration of his period of detention may be apprehended with-</p>
<p>“Escape from school</p>	

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	<p>out a warrant and if the Minister thinks fit, may be then brought before a magistrate to be dealt with in any manner for the treatment of juveniles under section 18 of the Juvenile Offenders Ordinance."</p>
24	<p>(a) Substitute the word "person" for the word "boy".</p> <p>(b) Substitute the word "a" for the word "the" before the word "school".</p> <p>(c) Delete the words ", or, at the discretion of the magistrate to imprisonment with or without hard labour, for any time not exceeding four months."</p>
25(1)	<p>Substitute the word "person" for the word "boy" and the word "supervisor" for the word "headmaster".</p>
25(2)	<p>Substitute the word "person" for the word "boy".</p>
25(3)	<p>(a) Substitute the word "person" for the word "boy" and the word "supervisor" for the word "headmaster".</p> <p>(b) Delete the word "the" wherever it occurs immediately before the word "school".</p>
25(4)	<p>(a) Substitute the word "person" for the word "boy".</p> <p>(b) Delete the word "the" wherever it occurs immediately before the word "school".</p>
25(5)	<p>(a) Substitute the word "person" for the word "boy".</p> <p>(b) Delete the word "the" wherever it occurs immediately before the word "school".</p>
26	<p>Substitute for the word "headmaster", the word "supervisor".</p>
27	<p>For this section substitute the following —</p> <p>27. The supervisor may, with the approval of the Minister at any time after the expiration of twelve months of the allotted period of detention and with the consent or without the consent of his parent, by licence under his hand permit him to reside away from the school to live with any trustworthy or respectable person named in the licence and willing to receive, train, teach, and take charge of him on the condition that he attends any educational establishment or school for technical training, or permit him to be enrolled as a member of the Guyana Youth Corps, and a licence so granted shall be subject to the same conditions and regulations as a licence granted under section 25 of this Ordinance."</p>

"Permission to reside away from school or to be enrolled in Guyana Youth Corps.

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28, 29, 30, 31 32 and 40 . . .	Delete.
33 . . . . .	(a) For the heading immediately before this section substitute the following —
	<b>"MAINTENANCE OF PERSONS IN SCHOOLS"</b>
	(b) Substitute the words "three dollars" for the words "one dollar", the word "person" for the word "boy" and the word "child" for the word "son".
34 . . . . .	(a) Renumber subsection (1) as subsection (1) (a) and insert the following as subsection (1) (b) —
	<p style="padding-left: 40px;">" (b) Where it is not practicable to secure the presence of the person against whom an order is sought under subsection (1) (a) for the purposes of the examination into that person's ability to maintain a young person, the magistrate may make such order in the absence of such person:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Provided that upon the application of that person a magistrate shall give him an opportunity to be heard in opposition to the order and after such hearing the order may be varied as the magistrate thinks fit."</p>
	(b) Substitute the word "person" for the word "boy" and the word "supervisor" for the word "headmaster" wherever these words appear.
35, 36, 38 and 39	(a) In the heading immediately before section 35 substitute the word "Persons" for the word "Boys".
	(b) Substitute the word "person" for the word "boy" and the word "supervisor" for the word "headmaster" wherever these words appear.
41 . . . . .	Substitute a full stop for the colon appearing immediately before the proviso and delete the proviso.
Schedule Form 1 . . . . .	(a) Substitute for the words "Essequibo Boys' School" where it first occurs, the words "Training Schools".
	(b) Delete the words "Essequibo Boys" where it occurs the second time.
Form 2 . . . . .	(a) Substitute for the words "headmaster of the Essequibo Boys" the words "Supervisor or the person in charge of....."
	(b) Substitute for the words "Essequibo Boys' School", where the words occur before the word "Ordinance the words "Training Schools".
	(c) Add the following footnotes — *1 Delete as applicable. +2 Insert the name of the school.
Form 4 . . . . .	(a) Substitute for the words "headmaster of the Essequibo Boys" before the word "School" the words "*Supervisor or the person in charge of the+....."



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- (b) Substitute for the words "Essequibo Boys' School", where these words occur before the word "Ordinance" the words "Training Schools".
- (c) Substitute for the word "headmaster" wherever it occurs after the word "said" the words "Supervisor or the person in charge."
- (d) Add the following footnote —

\* Delete as applicable.

+ Insert the name of the school.

Form 5 . . .

- (a) Substitute for the words "headmaster of the Essequibo Boys" where it occurs before the word "School", the words "Supervisor or the person in charge of the .....".
- (b) Substitute for the word "headmaster" where it occurs after the word "said", the words "Supervisor of the person in charge".
- (c) Add the following footnote —

\*Delete as applicable.

+Insert the name of the school.

Form 6 . . .

- (a) Substitute for the words "headmaster of the Essequibo Boys" where they occur before the word "school," the words "Supervisor or the person in charge of the + .....".
- (b) Substitute for the words "Essequibo Boys" where they occur before the word "Ordinance", the words "Training Schools".
- (c) Substitute for the word "headmaster" where it occurs after the word "said", the words "Supervisor or the person in charge".
- (d) Add the following footnote —

\*Delete as appropriate.

+Insert the name of the school.

Industrial Training Ordinance,  
(Cap. 94)

Section  
9B . . .

Substitute the words "one hundred and fifty" for the words "forty-eight".

Regulations under section 8(1), approved by the Governor-in-Council on 20th December, 1920 (Vol. VIII p. 1094)

Regulation  
7 . . .

Substitute the following therefor —

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Section	<p data-bbox="236 228 995 298">"7. The daily wage to be paid to an Apprentice by the Board shall not be less than the percentage set forth below of the basic minimum rate payable by law to an artisan:</p> <table data-bbox="353 313 674 491"> <tr> <td data-bbox="353 313 446 333">1st year</td> <td data-bbox="456 313 601 333">—</td> <td data-bbox="612 313 674 333">not less than 20%</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="353 350 446 371">2nd year</td> <td data-bbox="456 350 601 371">" " "</td> <td data-bbox="612 350 674 371">30%</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="353 387 446 408">3rd year</td> <td data-bbox="456 387 601 408">" " "</td> <td data-bbox="612 387 674 408">50%</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="353 424 446 445">4th year</td> <td data-bbox="456 424 601 445">" " "</td> <td data-bbox="612 424 674 445">70%</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="353 461 446 482">5th year</td> <td data-bbox="456 461 601 482">" " "</td> <td data-bbox="612 461 674 482">90%"</td> </tr> </table>	1st year	—	not less than 20%	2nd year	" " "	30%	3rd year	" " "	50%	4th year	" " "	70%	5th year	" " "	90%"
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Teachers Pensions Ordinance, (Cap. 95)	<p data-bbox="236 609 995 639">Substitute the following therefor —</p> <p data-bbox="236 654 995 743">"(4) The qualifications and conditions subject to which entries may be made in the register in accordance with subsection (2) (b) shall be as set out in the Schedule and the President may by regulation amend the Schedule."</p>															
Section 15(4)																
Immigration Ordinance (Cap. 98)	<p data-bbox="236 869 995 891">Delete.</p> <p data-bbox="236 906 995 928">Delete.</p>															
Section 3(5)(g)																
36(3)																
Aliens (Immigration and Registration) Ordinance, (Cap. 101)	<p data-bbox="236 1107 995 1151">(a) Delete subsection (1) and delete the bracketed figure "(2)" at the beginning of subsection (2);</p> <p data-bbox="236 1166 995 1188">(b) Substitute the following paragraph for paragraph (d) —</p> <p data-bbox="236 1203 995 1270">"(d) such classes of persons specified by order of the Minister for the purpose of giving effect to any agreement between Guyana and any other country;"</p> <p data-bbox="236 1285 995 1329">(c) Delete paragraph (e) of subsection (2), and re-letter paragraph (f) thereof as paragraph (e).</p>															
Section 12																
Labour Ordinance (Cap. 103)	<p data-bbox="236 1411 995 1455">Substitute the words "two hundred and fifty dollars" for the words "ten dollars".</p>															
Section 10																

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12	Substitute the words "two hundred and fifty dollars" and "seven hundred and fifty dollars" for the words "fifty dollars" and "one hundred and fifty dollars" respectively.
25	Substitute the words "one hundred dollars", "two hundred and fifty dollars" and "seven hundred and fifty dollars" for the words "twenty five dollars", "fifty dollars" and "two hundred and fifty dollars" respectively.
38(1)(c)	Insert as proviso to subparagraph (ii) the following — "Provided that notice in writing to produce these books, registers or other documents has been served on the employer personally or by post at least 5 days in advance."
38(4)	Substitute the following — "(4) Any person who without good and sufficient cause — (a) fails on application being made to him in writing to furnish to any designated officer any information or any returns specified in subsection (1) or to produce any books, registers or other documents required by a designated officer under and in accordance with subsection (1);
	(b) fails to grant to his workers every facility for communicating freely with any designated officer on a visit of inspection, shall be liable to summary conviction to a fine of five hundred dollars; and any person who knowingly furnishes or allows to be furnished to a designated officer or other officer any information, return, book, register or document which is false in any material particular, shall be liable on summary conviction in respect of each offence to a fine of one thousand dollars and to imprisonment for three months."
49 Hours of Work (Watchmen) (No. 2) Regulations (30/1953) Regulation	Delete.
5	Substitute the words "a fine of one hundred dollars" for the words "a penalty of fifty dollars."
Hours of Work (Laundries) Regulations (4/1962) Regulation 8	Substitute the words "a fine of one hundred dollars" for the words "a penalty of fifty dollars".

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Section Indian Labour Ordinance, (Cap. 104)	
Section 4(2)	Delete the paragraph commencing with the words "The Agent General may" up to and including the words "in the schedule" and substitute therefor the following:  " (2) The Minister may from time to time amend the Schedule in such manner as occasion may require for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Ordinance."
6	Delete and substitute therefor the following section —  "6. Some fit and proper person shall be appointed to be Indian Immigration Agent General."
11	(a) Delete subsection (2);  (b) Delete the figure (1); and  (c) Delete all the words appearing after the word "department".
183(2)	Substitute the word "seventy-five" for the word "twenty-four".
227(1)	Substitute the words "five hundred" for the words "two hundred and forty".
Holidays with Pay Ordinance, (Cap. 108) (Subsidiary)	
Holidays with Pay, (Drug Store Employees) Order 1953 (7/1953)	
Clause 2	Substitute the word "eight" for the word "fifteen" in the definition of "Christmas period".
Holidays with Pay (Georgetown and New Amsterdam Cinema Employees) Order, 1953 (8/1953)	
Clause 2	Substitute the word "eight" for the word "fifteen" in the definition of "Christmas period".
Holidays with Pay (Grocery Employees) Order, 1953 (9/1953)	
Clause 2	Substitute the word "eight" for the word "fifteen" in the definition of "Christmas period".

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Holidays with Pay (Hardware Store Employees) Order, 1953 (10/1953) Clause 2	Substitute the word "eight" for the word "fifteen" in the definition of "Christmas period".
Holiday with Pay (Dry Goods Store Employees) Order (11/1953) Clause 2	Substitute the word "eight" for the word "fifteen" in the definition of "Christmas period".
Holidays with Pay (Watchmen) Order (13/1953) Clause 2	Substitute the word "eight" for the word "fifteen" in the definition of "Christmas period".
Holidays with Pay (Bakery Employees) Order (51/1953) Clause 2	Substitute the word "eight" for the word "fifteen" in the definition of "Christmas period".
Accidental Death and Workmen's Injuries (Compensation) Ordinance, (Cap. 112) Section 14	Substitute the words "five hundred" for the words "one hundred".
Trade Unions Ordinance, (Cap. 113) Section 11 12 27(4) 29	Substitute the words "three hundred" for the words "one hundred". Substitute the word "seventy-five" for the word "twenty-five". Substitute the word "fifteen" for the word "five". Substitute the words "five hundred" for the words "two hundred and fifty".

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Factories Ordinance (Cap. 115)	
Section 33(3)	Delete.
(Subsidiary)	
Hours of Work (Saw Mill Workers) Regulations (19/1956)	
Regulations 5	Substitute the words "one hundred dollars" for the words "fifty dollars".
Hours of Work (Printing Trade Workers) Regulations (8/1967)	
Regulation 7	Substitute the words "one hundred dollars" for the words "fifty dollars".
Factories (Dangerous Trades Regulations) Ordinance, (Cap. 116)	
Sections 3(2), 4(2) and 5(2)	Substitute the words "five hundred dollars" for the words "fifty dollars" wherever they appear.
Bakeries Ordinance, (Cap. 120)	
Section 6	(a) Renumber this section as section 6(1) (b) Immediately after the proviso in section 6 insert the following subsection — <p style="margin-left: 40px;">“(2) Any person who contravenes subsection (1) shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine of five hundred dollars”.</p>
9(2)	Substitute the words "five hundred dollars" for the words "one hundred dollars".
9(3)	Substitute the words "five hundred dollars" for the words "fifty dollars".

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<p>Section Old Metal Dealers Ordinance, (Cap. 126)</p>	
<p>Section 3</p>	<p>Delete and substitute therefor the following section —</p> <p>“Territorial division of Guyana for purposes of Ordinance. 3. For the purposes of this Ordinance, Guyana shall be divided into areas (hereinafter referred to as divisions) which shall, unless otherwise provided by order of the Minister, be the police divisions prescribed from time to time under the Police Act.”</p>
<p>Cinematograph Ordinance, (Cap. 127)</p> <p>Section 3</p> <p>10(r) ... ..</p> <p>11(19) ... ..</p>	<p>Delete the proviso in subsections (1) and (2).</p> <p>Substitute the words “one thousand dollars” for the words “five hundred dollars”.</p> <p>Substitute the words “one dollar and fifty cents” for the words “five shillings”.</p>
<p>Newspapers Ordinance, (Cap. 130)</p> <p>Long title</p> <p>Section 1 ... ..</p> <p>1A ... ..</p>	<p>Substitute for the Long Title the following —</p> <p>“An Ordinance to prevent the mischiefs arising from the printing and publishing of Books, Newspapers and other Papers by persons not known and for regulating the Printing and Publication of such Papers in other respects, and for compiling a public record of all Books and Newspapers published in Guyana and for establishing the Liberty of the Press on a just and proper basis.</p> <p>Insert the words “Publication and” immediately before the word “Newspapers”.</p> <p>Insert immediately after section 1 the following section —</p> <p>“Interpretation. 1A. In this Ordinance —</p> <p>“book” includes every part or division of a book, pamphlet, newspaper, sheet of letter press, sheet of music, map, plan, chart or table separately published, but shall not include any second or subsequent edition of a book unless such edition contains additions or alterations either in the letter press, or in the maps, prints or other engravings belonging thereto;</p> <p>“newspaper” means any paper containing public news, intelligence, or occurrences, or any remarks or observations thereon printed, and published in Guyana periodically or in parts or numbers at intervals not exceeding one hundred days between</p>

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Section	the publication of any two such papers, parts or numbers.”
4A	<p>Insert immediately after section 4 the following section —</p> <p>section —</p> <p>“Obligation of publisher to supply copies of books.</p> <p>4A. (1) The publisher of every book printed in Guyana shall, within one month after the publication, supply —</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) two copies of the book to the Registrar of the University of Guyana; and</li> <li>(b) one copy of the book to the National Archives of Guyana; and</li> <li>(c) one copy of the book to the National Library of Guyana.</li> </ul> <p>(2) The publisher may supply such books or any of them by way of gift or he may demand compensation for them, and in the latter case the University, the Archivist or the National Library, as the case may be, shall pay adequate compensation therefor to the publisher.</p> <p>(3) The copy to be delivered under subsection (1) shall be a copy of the whole book with all maps and illustrations belonging thereto, finished and covered in the same manner as the best copies of the book are published and shall be bound, sewed, or stitched together and on the best paper on which the book is printed.</p> <p>(4) The President may, by order published in the Gazette, exempt any book or books from the provisions of this section.</p> <p>(5) If a publisher fails to comply with any of the provisions of this section he shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine of five hundred dollars.”</p>
10(1)	Substitute for all the words appearing after the semi-colon the words “and a delivery of a copy of a newspaper under this subsection shall be deemed to be a compliance with section 4A (1) (b).”
12(1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Delete the words “for sale”;</li> <li>(b) Substitute the words “five thousand” for the words “fifteen hundred”;</li> <li>(c) Delete all the words following after the word “pay” and substitute the following words —</li> </ul> <p>“to —</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) the State, every fine or penalty at any time imposed upon or adjudged against him by reason of any conviction for printing or publishing any defamatory libel;</li> </ul>



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	(b) any person, damages awarded against him by any court for printing or publishing any libel, at any time after executing the bond."
12(2)	Substitute the following subsection —
	“(2) Every person who prints or publishes a newspaper, pamphlet or other paper, without having executed and delivered the bond as required by subsection (1), shall for each offence forfeit the sum of three hundred dollars.”
15	Delete.
16	Substitute the following section —
	<p>“Offences by corporate bodies.</p> <p>16. Where a person convicted of an offence under this Ordinance is a body corporate, every person who at the time of the commission of the offence, was director or officer of the body corporate shall be guilty of that offence unless he proves that the offence was committed without his knowledge or that he exercised all due diligence to prevent the commission of the offence.”</p>
17	Insert immediately after section 16 the following section :—
	<p>“Civil liability of director or officer for libel.</p> <p>17. (1) Where a person against whom judgment is recovered in a civil action for libel published in a book or newspaper is a body corporate, the judgment shall, subject to the provisions of subsections (2) and (3), be enforceable jointly and severally against the body corporate and every person who was a director or an officer at the time of the publication.</p> <p>(2) Execution for the enforcement of the judgment shall not issue against any such director or officer save with the leave of the court.</p> <p>(3) Leave to issue such execution shall be granted if it appears to the court that the assets of the body corporate are insufficient to satisfy the judgment, unless the director or officer satisfies the court that the libel was published without his knowledge and that he exercised all due diligence to prevent the commission thereof and to mitigate (by way of suitable public apology or otherwise) any damage or prejudice caused or likely to be caused to the person libelled as a result of the libel.”</p>
Post and Tele-Ordinance, (Cap. 132) The Whole Ordinance	
	Substitute the word “Minister” for the word “Governor” or the word “Governor-in-Council” wherever these words appear except in section 65(5) where the word “Governor” appears the first time.
Section 77	Substitute the words “five hundred” for the word “fifty.”

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99 ... ..

Substitute the following therefor —

"Delegation  
or assign-  
ment of  
functions.

99. The Minister may by order delegate to the Corporation any function relating to telegraphs vested in him by any provision of this Ordinance and he may assign to the Corporation any function relating to telegraphs vested in the Postmaster General by any provision of this Ordinance and thereupon that function shall be exercisable by the Corporation and save to any extent specified by the Minister in the order, shall cease to be exercisable by the Postmaster General".

## Subsidiary

Legislation  
Postal  
Franking Regula-  
tions (Vol. VIII  
p. 1345)  
Paragraph 3

Substitute the words "five dollars" for the words "one dollar".

## Schedule

Substitute the words "rate of 3 cents" for the words "1d rate" in paragraph 4 under the heading "The Conditions Above Referred to".

## Regulations

relating to  
Gratuities to  
Masters of  
Vessels  
approved  
by the Govern-  
or-in-Council  
on 7th Decem-  
ber, 1915  
(Vol. VIII p.  
1437)

Delete.

## Parcel Postage

Surface  
Rates (Great  
Britain and  
Northern Ire-  
land) (H.M.  
Forces) Regula-  
tions (No. 39 of  
1953)

Delete.

## Sorters and

Letter Carriers  
Regulations  
(Vol. VIII p.  
1430)  
Regulations  
16 and 32

Delete.

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<p>Registration of Inland Postal Matter Regulations (Vol. VIII p. 1303) Regulation 7.</p>	<p>Substitute the word "twelve" for the word "eight".</p>
<p>Inland Postal Matter (Registration and Advice of Delivery Fees) Regulations (Vol. VIII p. 1304) Schedule</p>	<p>Substitute the figure "15" for the figure "6" wherever it appears in the second column of the Schedule.</p>
<p>Post Office (Express Delivery) Regulations Vol. VIII p. 1305 Regulation 4(1) (a)</p>	<p>Substitute the figure "15" for the figure "12".</p>
<p>Post and Telegraph (Late Fee) Regulations 1958 (Reg. 25/1958) Regulation 2</p>	<p>Substitute the figures "15", "30" and "15" respectively for the figures "12", "24", and "2".</p>
<p>Regulations relating to Parcel Post made by the Postmaster and approved by the Governor and Court of Policy on 26th May, 1891 (Vol. VIII p. 1308) Regulation 8</p>	<p>Substitute the word "twenty-five" for the word "six" in paragraph (2).</p>
<p>Regulation 17</p>	<p>Delete paragraph (2).</p>
<p>Postal Insurance Regulations (Vol. VIII p. 1335) Regulation 8;</p>	<p>Delete.</p>

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Regulations relating to Insured Boxes made by the Postmaster and approved by the Governor and Court of Policy on 11th May, 1926. (Vol. VIII p. 1337).	Substitute the word "fifteen" for the word "twenty".
Regulation 2	Delete the three lines commencing with the words "To Surinam" and ending with the words "8 cents".
3	
Postal Regulations (Vol. VIII p. 1423)	
Regulation 13	Delete.
Postal Additional Regulations (Vol. VIII p. 1427)	
Regulation 6	Delete.
Order in Council fixing Rates of Conversion on money orders issued by the United States of America made the 22nd September, 1939 (Vol. VIII p. 1357)	Delete.
Order in Council fixing rates of commission on money orders issued on the United States of America, made the 18th November, 1938 (Vol. VIII p. 1358)	Delete.

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Section Order in Council fixing rates of commission on money orders payable in Canada, made the 1st April, 1940 (Vol. VIII p. 1359)	Delete
Post Office Savings Bank Ordinance (Cap. 133) Subsidiary Legis- lation Post Office Savings Bank Regulations (Vol. VIII p. 1451). Regulation	
7 ... ..	Delete paragraph (e) and re-letter paragraph (f) as paragraph (e).
13 ... ..	Delete.
14 ... ..	Add the following as paragraph (c) —
	“(c) The expression “Co-operative Society” means a society regis- tered under the Co-operative Societies Act.”
19 ... ..	Delete.
41 ... ..	(a) Substitute the words “seventy-five dollars” for the words “twenty dollars” and the words “five hundred dollars” for the words “one hundred dollars”.
	(b) Delete the comma appearing immediately after the word “with- drawal” and insert there the word “and”.
	(c) Delete the words “and a service fee of twenty cents”.
42 ... ..	Substitute the words “seventy-five dollars” for the words “twenty dol- lars”.
48 ... ..	Insert the words “Co-operative Society”, immediately before the words “Charitable Society”.
50(a) ... ..	(a) Substitute the words “one thousand” for the words “four hun- dred and eighty”.
	(b) Substitute the words “out of the amount so due any estate duty due in respect of the dependant’s estate and pay or dis- tribute the remainder of such amount to or among any of

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50(b) ... ..	<p>the following persons" for all the words appearing after the word "pay" and ending with the word "say".</p> <p>Substitute the words "one hundred" for the word "fifty".</p>
Colonial Medical Service Ordinance (Cap. 134) Section 1 and Schedule, Forms 3 and 5.	Delete the word "Colonial".
Local Government Ordinance (Cap. 150) Long Title	<p>Substitute the following for the long title —</p> <p>"An Ordinance to make provision for local government in village districts, country districts and rural districts and for matters related thereto."</p>
The Whole Ordinance	Throughout this Ordinance, substitute the word "Minister" for the word "Board" wherever the word appears except in section 10.
Section 3 ... ..	Delete and substitute therefor —
	<p>"Officers to be appointed. 3(1) There shall be such number of public officers as may be necessary to assist the Minister in the performance of his functions under this Ordinance.</p> <p>(2) The Minister may, by notice published in the Gazette, designate any public officer to perform any of the functions conferred on the Minister by this Ordinance."</p>
4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 ... ..	Delete these sections.
10 ... ..	Substitute the words "With the approval of the Minister a local authority" for the words "The Board".
11 ... ..	Delete and substitute therefor the following section —
	<p>"Power to purchase property sold for non-payment of rate. 11. If it appears to the Minister that property being sold for non-payment of any rate should be purchased by the State, the Minister may designate a public officer to purchase such property at the execution sale and to hold such property on behalf of the state for the purposes of this Ordinance."</p>
13(1) ... ..	Substitute the words "A public officer designated by the Minister" for the words "Any officer of the Board".

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13(2)	Substitute the words "a public officer designated by the Minister" for the words "an officer of the Board".
18	Substitute the words "A public officer designated by the Minister" for the words "The Secretary or any officer authorised by the Board".
20(2)	(a) Delete therefrom the words "by resolution". (b) Substitute before the word "deem" the word "he" for the word "it".
21(1)	Delete the words "with the approval of the Governor-in-Council".
21(2)	Delete the words "when approved by the Governor-in-Council".
23	Immediately after the words "country district" where they first occur, insert the words "and has not been brought within the operation of the Municipal and District Councils Act 1969".
24(1)	Delete the words "with the approval of the Governor-in-Council".
27	Add the following as subsection (4) — "(4) The Minister, as rural authority, may by notice published in the Gazette, appoint an agent consisting of one or more persons in any rural district and thereupon that agent shall perform all the functions of, and may be dealt with as, the rural authority of the district for all the purposes of this Ordinance subject to such qualifications as may be specified in the appointment."
28(7)(b)	Substitute the words "the Minister shall cause to be prepared" for the words "the Board shall prepare".
28(7)(m) and (n)	Delete these paragraphs.
56(7)(a)	Insert immediately after the word "council" the words "or dies".
70(1)	(a) Delete the words "or the Board"; and (b) Substitute the word "Minister" for the word "Governor" and for the words "Governor-in-Council" wherever these words appear.
70(4)	Delete and substitute therefor:— "(4) The officers aforesaid shall continue so long as the Minister may direct; and the Minister shall by order appoint — (a) a day for the election of the councillors and prescribe their terms of office; (b) a day for the election of the chairman and vice chairman and prescribe their terms of office;
	and notwithstanding any other provisions of this Ordinance relating to the dates for holding such elections, a day appointed by the Minister under this subsection may be any day the Minister thinks fit."

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72(6) ... ..	Delete the words "by resolution, in their discretion,"
73 ... ..	Delete the words "without the licence of the Governor-in-Council".
76 ... ..	Delete this section.
79(1) ... ..	Delete the words "with the sanction of the Board".
84(3) ... ..	Substitute the words "direction in writing" for the word "order".
110 ... ..	Delete the words "if it thinks fit".
111(1) ... ..	Substitute the word "Minister" for the words "Governor-in-Council".
130 ... ..	Substitute the words "a public officer designated by the Minister" for the words "the Secretary of the Board".
132 ... ..	(a) Substitute the words "a public officer designated by the Minister" for the words "the Secretary" where these words first appear.
	(b) Substitute the words "the public officer aforesaid or" for the words "the Secretary of" where these words appear the second time.
133 ... ..	Substitute the words "a public officer designated by the Minister" for the words "the Secretary".
145(6) ... ..	Substitute the words "one thousand" for the words "five hundred"
153 ... ..	(a) Substitute "Minister" for "Governor-in-Council" in paragraph (d) wherever these words appear.
	(b) Delete the words "it shall be referred to the Board; and" in paragraph (e).
	(c) Delete the words "shall report to the Governor-in-Council, who may" in paragraph (f).
157 ... ..	Substitute the words "five hundred" for the words "one hundred", and figures and symbols "\$500" for the figures and symbols "\$100".
171(g) ... ..	Delete the words "the Secretary to be laid before".
176(1) ... ..	Delete.
178 ... ..	Delete and substitute therefor —
"Grants. 178 (1)	178(1) There may be paid to local authorities out of moneys provided by Parliament, grants in respect of any expenditure incurred or to be incurred by them in discharging any of their functions, of such sums as the Minister may direct and subject to such terms and conditions as he may determine, and different sums may be paid, subject to different terms and conditions to different local authorities.
	(2) Every application for a grant made to the Minister by a village council or a country authority shall be submitted in the form prescribed by the Minister".
189(1) ... ..	Delete the words — "secretary to be laid before".
189(2) ... ..	Substitute the words "The Minister shall designate a public officer to" for the words "The Board may".



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195(b)	...	Substitute the words "any public officer designated by the Minister to perform any function under this Ordinance" for the words "member of the Board, the Secretary," and delete the words "or any officer appointed by the Board".
196	...	Substitute the words "a public officer designated by the Minister" for the words "the Secretary".
198	...	Substitute the words "five hundred" for the words "one hundred".
200	...	Delete the words "of the Board, or" the words "the Secretary, or by the" and the words, "as the case may be".
201	...	Delete this section.
215	...	Delete the words; "and all by Laws made or approved by the Board shall be under the seal of the Board".
222	...	<p>Insert the following subsection at the end of this section —</p> <p>"(8) All property real or personal and all rights, interests, obligations and liabilities vested in, or subsisting for or against, and all legal proceedings pending by or against, the Local Government Board immediately before the commencement of the Law Revision Act 1972 shall vest in, or subsist for or against, the State for the purposes of this Ordinance."</p>
Subsidiary Legislation (Cap 150) District (Pensions and Gratuities) By-Laws 1957 (By-Laws 1/1957)		
The Whole	...	Substitute the word "Minister" for the word "Board" wherever this word occurs in these by-Laws.
By-Laws 2	...	Delete the definition of "the Board".
District By-Laws 1939		
2	...	Delete the definition of "the Board".
52A(3)	...	Substitute the words "one hundred dollars" for the words "fifty dollars".
58	...	Substitute the word "Minister" for the words "Local Government Board".
District By-Laws 1911 (Vol. IX p. 1711) By-Law 2		
By-Law 2	...	Substitute the word "Minister" for the words "Local Government Board".

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District Markets By-Laws 1957	
The whole ...	Substitute the word "Minister" for the word "Board" whenever the latter word occurs in these by-laws.
District By-Laws 1967 (By-Laws 5/1967) By-Law 3 (1) ...	Delete.
Georgetown Sewerage and Water Ordinance, (Cap 153)	
SECTION 36	Delete.
Public Free Library Ordinance (Cap. 160)	
SECTION:	
1 ...	For the words "Public Free Library" substitute the words "National Library".
2 ...	Delete the definitions of "the library" and "the library buildings" and substitute the following definitions — "library" means the National Library established under this Ordinance; "library buildings" means any buildings forming part of or used by the National Library and any building leased or let, temporarily or otherwise, by the Government or any person, for the purposes of the National Library".
3 ...	For section 3 substitute the following —
National Library.	3. (1) There is hereby established a public library to be known as the National Library of Guyana, the Headquarters of which shall be situated in the City of Georgetown.
	(2) The Committee may establish branches of the library and other public library services at any place in Guyana."
3A ...	Immediately after section 3 insert the following section —
Existing libraries transitional provisions.	3A. (1) As from the date of coming into operation of the amendments to the Library Ordinance contained in the Revision of Laws Act 1972, the Public Free Library in the city of Georgetown established under this Ordinance shall be deemed to be a branch of the National Library established by the Committee under section 3(2) and the branches of the Public Free Library in the town of New

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	<p>Amsterdam and in the town of Linden established under this Ordinance and in operation at the date mentioned above in this subsection shall be deemed to be branches of the National Library established by the Committee under section 3(2).</p> <p>(2) All other library services established under this Ordinance and in operation at the date mentioned in subsection (1) shall be deemed to be library services established under section 3(2).</p>
4 ... ..	<p>For section 4 substitute the following —</p>
	<p>“Maintenance of library.”</p> <p>4. The library shall be maintained and all pensions and gratuities awarded shall be paid out of moneys provided by Parliament and such other moneys as may be contributed by local government authorities.”</p>
5 ... ..	<p>For section 5 substitute the following —</p>
	<p>“National Library Committee.”</p> <p>5. (1) This Ordinance shall be carried into effect by a committee consisting of a chairman, who shall be the Minister or someone designated by him, and not more than twelve nor less than nine other persons, six to be appointed by the Minister and the remainder to be appointed by such local government authorities as may be designated by the Minister having regard to the contributions made by such local government authorities to the maintenance of the library.</p>
	<p>(2) A member of the committee shall hold office for two years from the date of his appointment.</p> <p>(3) As from the date of coming into operation of the amendments to the Library Ordinance contained in the Law Revision Act 1972, the Committee of the Public Free Library as constituted at that date shall be deemed to be the committee established by subsection (1) and from that date shall be known as the Committee of the National Library.</p>
6(1) ... ..	<p>For the words commencing with the words “Subject to the provisions” and ending with the words “in addition, itself” substitute the words “Subject to this Ordinance, the Committee may”.</p>
9(1) ... ..	<p>(a) Immediately after the words “exercised by the Committee,” insert the words “and the committee shall collect, receive and preserve all books required to be deposited in the library by the Publications and Newspapers Ordinance,”</p>
	<p>(b) Insert immediately after the words “philosophical” the words “musical”.</p>
	<p>(c) For the words commencing with the words “and the proceeds” and ending with the words “purchase of new books” substitute the words “or otherwise disposed of as the committee shall decide, and when sold pay the proceeds thereof into the general revenue of the library”.</p>
9(2) ... ..	<p>Delete the words — “(not being books of reference)”.</p>

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10(1) (b) ...	For the words "the upper floor of the Public Free Library Building" substitute the words "any of the rooms or halls of any library building vested in the Committee".
The Public Free Library (Management and Control) Regulations (Vol. IX p. 1899) ... Regulation	
1. ...	For the words "Public Free Library" substitute the words "National Library".
5(1) ...	For the proviso in sub-regulation (1) substitute the following — "Provided that the Committee may by notice published in the Gazette amend the Schedule."
6(3) ...	For regulation 6(3) substitute the following — "(3) An applicant who has no regular employment or who is a school child must, in addition to the particulars in paragraph (2) — (a) in the case of the Georgetown branch library, obtain the signature of a person in regular employment with a recognised business address in Georgetown who is willing to be guarantor for the applicant; (b) in the case of any other branch library, obtain the signature of a person in regular employment in the town or area where the branch is situated who is willing to be guarantor for the applicant."
8 ...	For regulation 8 substitute the following — "8. Each applicant over the age of eleven years may be issued with two borrower's tickets."
10(1) ...	For the word "six" substitute the word "ten".
13(5) ...	(a) For the word "four" substitute the word "seven". (b) Immediately after sub-regulation (6) insert the following as sub-regulation (7) — "(7) Where a lost book has been paid for by a subscriber, the property in the book shall vest in the subscriber and the library shall be under no obligation to repurchase the book or to refund the money paid by the subscriber if he subsequently redelivers or offers to redeliver the book to the library."
15 ...	For the word "and" substitute the word "or".
16(1) ...	In sub-regulation (1) delete the words appearing after the word "pay" and insert in place thereof the words "such sum as the librarian may require for the purpose of sending a postcard to him to notify him when the book is available."

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Schedule	<p>(a) In the heading "DAYS AND TIMES OPEN TO THE PUBLIC GEORGETOWN LIBRARY" delete the words "GEORGETOWN LIBRARY" and insert immediately thereunder the sub-heading "GEORGETOWN BRANCH".</p> <p>(b) Under the abovementioned heading, delete the words "Public Reading Room" and the hours relating thereto.</p> <p>(c) Under the heading "NEW AMSTERDAM BRANCH", for the figure "6" wherever it appears in the second column otherwise than in the figures "6.30" substitute the figures "6.30".</p> <p>(d) Under the heading "LINDEN BRANCH" transpose the term "Juvenile Lending Department" and the term "Adult Lending Department" in the first column.</p> <p>(e) Under the heading "LINDEN BRANCH", for the figure "4.30" in the second column substitute the figure "3".</p>
Registration of Births & Deaths (Cap. 162)	Delete and substitute therefor —
Section 14	<p>"Appointment of superintendent registrars, registrars and deputies.</p> <p>14. (1) There shall be a superintendent registrar of births and deaths in each district and a registrar of births and deaths within each division.</p> <p>(2) There shall be a deputy to every superintendent registrar and a deputy to every registrar to perform the functions of such superintendent registrar or such registrar, as the case may be, in case of his absence.</p> <p>(3) The deputy while so acting shall have all the powers and duties and be subject to all the penalties herein declared concerning superintendent registrars and registrars, respectively, and in the event of the death or resignation of the superintendent registrar or registrar, as the case may be, shall so act until another superintendent registrar or registrar is appointed.</p>
15 ... ..	Delete and substitute therefor —
18 ... ..	<p>"Minister may designate public officers to act in execution of Ordinance.</p> <p>15. (1) The Minister may designate a public officer to perform the functions of superintendent registrar or registrar (as the case may be) under this Ordinance.</p> <p>(2) Whenever any such public officer ceases to hold his office, he shall cease to be a superintendent registrar or a registrar (as the case may be) under this Ordinance.</p> <p>(3) In this section, "public officer" includes teachers of elementary schools."</p>
43 ... ..	Delete. (a) Insert as subsection (1) the following sub-

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section and renumber the subsections of this section accordingly —

“(1) (a) The Registrar General may of his own motion correct any minor clerical error in a register, if satisfied that the error in question is genuine.

(b) The Minister may by order specify the errors or classes of error which shall be deemed to be minor clerical errors for the purposes of this subsection.”

(b) In the renumbered subsection (2) of this section, delete the word “If” at the beginning of the subsection and insert in lieu thereof the words “Subject to subsection(1), if”.

51 B ... ..

Renumber as subsection (1) and insert the following as subsection (2) —

“(2) In this section, the expression “priority search” means a search, whether general or particular, in respect of which the Registrar General has received a written application requesting that such search be undertaken immediately, that is to say, in priority either to a general or particular search.”

Marriage  
Ordinance  
(Cap. 164)  
Section:

4 ... ..

Delete the word “male”.

30(1) ... ..

Substitute for all the words immediately before the proviso the following —

“Where either of the parties, not being a widower or widow or a divorced person, is under the age of twenty-one years, no marriage shall take place between them until the consent of the appropriate person or persons specified in the Second Schedule has been first obtained.”

30A(2) ... ..

Delete the words “the Chief Justice, or (in the case of there being no person officiating as Chief Justice)”.

31 ... ..

Delete the words “the Chief Justice, or (in the case of there being no person officiating as Chief Justice)”.

38 ... ..

Substitute the word “Minister” for the word “Governor”.

39 ... ..

For section 39 substitute the following —

“Restriction of power in cases of minority of parties. 39. Where either of the parties, not being a widower or widow, or a divorced person is under the age of twenty-one years, the licence shall not be granted until the consent of the appropriate person or persons specified in the Second Schedule has been first obtained.”

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- Substitute the word "eight" for the word "ten".
- Substitute the words "a judge of the High Court" for the words "the Chief Justice or other judge aforesaid".
- (a) Insert the word "first" immediately before the word "schedule" and "SCHEDULE" wherever they respectively appear.
- (b) Insert the following form at the end of the First Schedule:

**FORM H**

Application for Registration of Marriages contracted under the Indian Labour Ordinance.

**Particulars of Marriage**

Date and place of marriage	Husband's name, status and age at the date of marriage	Wife's name, status and age at date of marriage

I, ..... of .....  
and I, ..... of .....

do solemnly and sincerely declare as follows —

- (a) The details of the marriage set out above are true and such marriage was in accordance with the Indian Labour Ordinance.
- (b) Such marriage is still subsisting at the date hereunder written.
- We hereby apply to the Registrar-General to enter the particulars of the abovementioned marriage in a marriage register in accordance with sections 57 and 58 of the Marriage Ordinance.

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3. A certificate of registration issued under section 143 of the Indian Labour Ordinance is attached hereto.

Declared at.....this.....

Before me,

.....  
Registrar-General

(c) Add the following as the Second Schedule —

“Section 30,39

**SECOND SCHEDULE**

**CONSENTS REQUIRED TO THE MARRIAGE OF AN INFANT BY LICENCE WITHOUT PUBLICATION OF BANNS**

Where the Infant is Legitimate.

Circumstances	Persons or Persons whose consent is required
1. Where both parents are living:—	
(a) if parents are living together;	Both parents.
(b) if parents are divorced or separated by order of any court or by agreement;	The parent to whom the custody of the infant is committed by order of the Court or by the agreement, or if the custody of the infant is so committed to one parent during part of the year and to the other parent during the rest of the year, both parents.
(c) if one parent has been deserted by the other;	The parent who has been deserted.
(d) if both parents have been deprived of custody of infant by order of any court.	The person to whose custody the infant is committed by order of the Court.
2. Where one parent is dead:	
(a) if there is no other guardian;	The surviving parent.
(b) if a guardian has been appointed by deceased parent.	The surviving parent and the guardian if acting jointly, or the surviving parent or the guardian if the parent or guardian of the infant is the sole guardian of the infant.
3. Where both parents are dead.	The testamentary guardian or guardians and if there are none the guardian or guardians appointed by the court.



## Law to be Amended

## Amendments to be made

## Where the Infant is Illegitimate.

## Circumstances

## Person whose consent is required

If the mother of the infant is alive.

The mother or if she has by order of any court been deprived of the custody of the infant, the person to whom the custody of the infant has been committed by order of the court.

If the mother of the infant is dead.

The putative father if the infant is living with him or is maintained by him; otherwise, the guardian appointed by the mother.

Subsidiary  
Legislation  
(Cap. 166.)  
Rules of Court  
(Matrimonial  
Causes)  
(Vol. IX p. 2038)  
First Schedule

(a) The fees in the right-hand column are amended as follows:—

Item	\$	c.	for	\$	c.
11 and 16 Substitute	0	10	for	0	08
15 and 18 "	0	15	"	0	12
37 and 60 "	0	20	"	0	16
61 "	0	40	"	0	32
14, 32 and 59 "	1	25	"	1	20

- (b) (i) In items 63 and 65, substitute the words "twenty-five dollars" for the words "five guineas";
- (ii) in item 64, substitute the words "fifty dollars", for the words "ten guineas";
- (iii) in item 66, substitute the words "fifty dollars", "fifteen dollars" "thirty-five dollars" for the words "ten guineas", "three guineas" and "seven guineas" respectively.

## Second Schedule

The fees in the right-hand column are amended as follows:

Item	\$	c.	for	\$	c.
2 and 40 Substitute	0	15	for	0	12
42 "	0	50	for	0	36
21 "	0	75	"	0	72
2, 4, 13, 15, 19, 30, 31, 34 "	1	25	"	1	20

## Law to be Amended

## Amendments to be made

Maintenance Ordinance (cap. 168)

Section 2, 3, 7, and 9

Substitute the word "sixteen" for the word "fourteen" wherever it appears.

6

Substitute the word "ten" for the word "two" wherever it appears.

12

Substitute the words "training school within the meaning of the Training School Act" for the words "reformatory or industrial school" where they appear the first time and the words "training school" for the said words where they appear the second time.

13

(a) Substitute the words "ten" for the word "two" wherever it appears.

(b) Substitute the words "or training school within the meaning of the Training School Act" for the words "reformatory or industrial" wherever they appear.

Lands Department Ordinance (Cap. 170)

Section 12

Delete the words "by order".

Land Surveyors Ordinance (Cap. 171)

Section 27 (3)

Substitute the words "ten dollars" for the words "five shillings".

District Lands Partition and Re-allotment (Special Procedure) Ordinance (Cap. 174)

Section 4 (4)

Delete.

Crown Lands Ordinance (Cap. 175)

Section 3 (a) (b) and (c), 10, 21 (1)

Delete the words "or forests" wherever those words occur.

3 (c)

Delete the word "Crown" wherever it appears before the word "forest".

4

Delete and substitute therefor —

Law to be Amended	Amendments to be made
Section:	
	<p>"Conversion 4. Whenever the President deems it expedient that any State Lands should be converted into Government Lands, the President may issue a grant of those lands, subject to such conditions (if any) as he thinks fit, to the Commissioner and his successors in office for and on behalf of the State as Government lands and thereupon such lands shall be held by the Commissioner and his successors in office as Government lands".</p>
31(2) ... ..	Substitute the word "five" for the word "four", and the word "twenty-five" for the word "twenty-four".
35 ... ..	Insert the words "any State" immediately before the word "forest".
40 and 41 ...	Delete the words "and forests" wherever they occur.
Acquisition of Land for Public Purposes Ordinance, (Cap. 179)	
Section 26 and 27 ...	Substitute the words "five hundred dollars" for the words "two hundred and forty dollars" wherever these words occur and substitute the figures "500" for the figures "240" in the marginal notes to section 26 and 27.
Town and Country Planning (Cap. 181)	
Section 2 ... ..	In the definition of "Local Authority" insert the words "town or" immediately before the words "local government district".
Housing Ordinance (Cap. 182)	
Section 2 ... ..	In the definition of "Local Authority" insert the words "town or" immediately before the words "local government district".
4(1) ... ..	Substitute the following —
"Constitution of the Central Authority.	<p>4. (1) The Central Authority shall consist of—</p> <p>(a) A representative of the Georgetown City Council, of the New Amsterdam Town Council, and of each Town Council constituted by or under the Municipal and District Councils Act, appointed by each such Council from among its councillors or officers; and</p> <p>(b) not more than nine other fit and proper persons to be appointed by the Minister".</p>
55(4) ... ..	Delete.
Part IX ... ..	The whole of Part IX as contained in the Housing Ordinance im-

Amended Law to be	Amendments to be made
Section	
	<p>mediately before 1st April, 1957, is hereby re-inserted in this Ordinance and shall have effect subject to the following amendment that is to say the figure "(1)" at the beginning of subsection (1) and subsection (2), (3) and (4) of section 58 shall be deleted.</p>
Landlord & Tenant Ordinance, (Cap. 185)	
Section: 2 ... ..	Substitute the words "common law" for the words "law of England" appearing in paragraph (a) of the definition of the word "deed".
14(a) ... ..	Substitute the words "one hundred" for the word "twenty".
20, 22(1) 33 (1), 34 and 35	Substitute the words "five hundred" for the words "four hundred and eighty" whenever these words appear and substitute the figures "500" for the figures "480" wherever they appear in the marginal notes to the section.
49 ... ..	Substitute the word "five" for the word "two" appearing in the proviso.
First Schedule Form 1	Substitute the words "one hundred" for the word "twenty".
Kaieteur National Park Ordinance, (Cap. 188)	
Section 3 ... ..	Delete and substitute therefor the following —
	<p>"Until Board Established Commissioner of Lands to control Park.</p> <p>3 (1) The Minister may establish a board to be known as the Kaieteur National Park Board (referred to in this Ordinance as the Board) consisting of such number of members as he deems fit to take and have the general charge and control of the said park.</p> <p>(2) Until a Board has been appointed under subsection (1), the Commissioner of Lands shall have the general charge and control of the said park.</p> <p>(3) There shall be such number of rangers as are required for the purposes of this Ordinance who shall be under the orders and direction of the Board or the Commissioner of Lands, as the case may be, and who shall perform such duties as may be prescribed."</p>
5(1) ... ..	<p>(a) Substitute the words "functions of the Board", for the words "powers of".</p> <p>(b) Substitute the words "and the rangers and with respect to" for the words "the duties of rangers and".</p>
Mining Ordinance, (Cap. 196)	
Section	
6, 9, 10, and 20	Delete.

## Law to be Amended

## Amendments to be made

Law to be Amended	Amendments to be made
Section 11 Blasting Operations Ordinance, (Cap. 197)	Delete the words "except the powers and duties conferred and imposed by section 9 of this Ordinance".
Section 4(3) New Building Society Ordinance (Cap. 201)	Substitute for the word "Any" the following words— "Every person applying for the grant of a certificate of competency under subsection (1) shall pay into the office of the Commissioner an examination fee of ten dollars and any".
Section 1 33, 34, 35 and 36 37	Substitute the word "National" for the word "New". Delete. Substitute the following therefor —
38	"Power to borrow for capital purposes." 37. For any capital purpose within the power of the Society under this Ordinance, the Society may borrow money by the issue of bond certificates." Substitute the following therefor—
38	"Bond certificates." 38 (1) Bond certificates issued under this Ordinance together with the interest thereon shall all rank <i>pari passu</i> as a first charge by way of floating security on the assets of the Society: Provided that except with the consent of the Minister the amount for the time being secured by the said bond certificates shall not at any time exceed one hundred thousand dollars. (2) Bond certificates shall bear interest at such rate not exceeding six per cent per annum as the Board may determine at the date of issue of the said certificates. (3) Bond certificates may be redeemed in whole or in part by the Society on six month's notice. (4) Bond certificates may be transferred in whole or in part in multiples of one dollar, on payment (for each transfer) of such fee not exceeding sixty cents as the Board may fix".
39, 40, 41 and 42	Delete.
43	Substitute the following therefor —
44 and 45	"Exemption from stamp duty." 43. Stamp Duty shall not be chargeable on any agreement, transport, transfer, assignment, certificate, receipt or other document that may have to be executed or issued by reason of this Ordinance". Delete.

Law to be Amended	Amendments to be made
Royal Agricultural and Commercial Society Ordinance (Cap. 203)	
Section 1 . . . .	Substitute the word "Guyana" for the words "Royal Agricultural and Commercial".
2 . . . .	Substitute for the definition of "the Society" the following definition "the Society" means the Guyana Society hereby incorporated;
3 . . . .	Substitute the words "Guyana Society" for the words "Royal Agricultural and Commercial Society of British Guiana."
3(c)	Substitute the words "two hundred and fifty thousand dollars" for the words "fifty thousand pounds".
3(d)	Delete the words beginning with the words "the stock" and ending with the word "Colony" where it last appears, and substitute the words "such government of Guyana stock or other securities offered to the public in Guyana".
6	Substitute the words "movable or immovable" for the words "real or personal".
8	Delete.
9	Delete and substitute therefor the following —
	<p>"Officers of Society. 9. The office-bearers of the Society, three of whom shall be appointed managing directors shall consist of a president, a vice president, a treasurer, a secretary, an assistant secretary, and such others as the Society may think fit to appoint."</p>
Schedule	Delete and substitute therefor the following —
	<b>"SCHEDULE</b>
	To promote as far as possible interest in the arts, crafts, and professions, the pursuit of knowledge in every discipline, the free exchange of ideas on matters of national, regional, or global interest, and the dissemination of useful information generally.
	To establish and maintain suitable public rooms in the City of Georgetown for the use of the members, and a library, and to do all other things necessary for the promotion of the objects of the Society, including the provision of a gallery for art exhibition, the printing and publication of literature and the establishment of examining and certifying authorities of an educational nature."
Georgetown Cultural Centre Ordinance (Cap. 204)	
Long title . . . .	Substitute the words "National Cultural Centre" for the words "Cultural Centre in the City of Georgetown".

Law to be Amended	Amendments to be made
Section 1 and 3 . . .	Substitute the word "National" for the word "Georgetown" wherever this word appears.
2 . . .	Substitute the word "Guyana" for the words "Royal Agricultural and Commercial" wherever these words appear.
3 . . .	(a) Delete the words "for the use of the Society" in subsection (3).
	(b) Insert the following as subsection (4) —
	<p>"(4) Subject to the provisions of sections 5, 6 and 7, all moneys vested in the Board shall be held by the Board on trust, and may be used by the Board, for the purpose of establishing, or cooperating with any other body in establishing, on any site it may think fit, a centre of cultural and recreational facilities for the nation to be known as the National Cultural Centre."</p>
4 (1) . . . . .	Substitute the word "seven" for the word "three".
Berbice Reading Society Ordinance (Cap. 206)	
Section 5 . . .	Delete.
Electric Lighting Ordinance (Cap. 237)	
Section 2 . . .	Substitute the following for the definition of "road authority"—
	<p>"road authority" means — (a) in relation to public roads within the meaning of the Roads Act, outside Georgetown or New Amsterdam, the Chief Works and Hydraulics Officer; (b) in relation to roads, streets and bridges within Georgetown or New Amsterdam, the Georgetown City Council or the New Amsterdam Town Council, respectively; (c) in relation to all other roads, streets and bridges, such person as may be designated by order of the Minister;"</p>
9(1) . . . . .	Substitute the word "Minister" for the words "Governor and Legislative Council".
Subsidiary Legislation Electric Installation Regulations (Vol. IX p. 2352)	
Regulation 3 . . . . .	Substitute the following —
"Application.	<p>3. These Regulations shall apply to the New Amsterdam Electric Lighting Order and to any licence granted or order made under the Act or any Act amending or to be construed with the Act and to any special Act."</p>

## Law to be Amended

## Amendments to be made

Georgetown  
Electric Supply  
Ordinance  
Cap. 238  
Subsidiary  
Legislation.  
Electricity Order  
(formerly the  
Georgetown  
Electric Supply  
Order Vol. IX  
p. 2395 as amend-  
ed by Order  
81/1963 and contin-  
ued in force by  
Ordinances 34 of  
1957 and 31 of  
1960)

Clause  
29

Delete.

Second Schedule

Delete sub-paragraph (5) of paragraph (b) and substitute the following—

- (5) Albert Street level Crossing
- (5A) Kitty level Crossing
- (5B) Middleton Street level Crossing
- (5C) Sheriff Street level Crossing
- (5D) Conversation Tree level Crossing
- (5E) Turkey level Crossing

Forest  
Ordinance  
(Cap. 240)

Section  
5(1) ... ..

Delete and substitute therefor the following section —

“Grants or leases. 5 (1) The President may exercise in respect of State forests any of the powers conferred on him in respect of State Lands by section 3 (a) and (b) of the State Lands Ordinance.

Provided that —

- (a) The President shall exercise the powers conferred on him by this subsection only after consultation with the Minister;
- (b) any grant or lease made by the President under this section shall be subject to any interest in the same land previously conveyed by the Minister under sections 6 or 7 of this Ordinance or any interest existing at the time of the declaration of the State forest or at the commencement of this Ordinance and having effect by virtue of section 9.”

Insert immediately after the words “if any” the following words—

“or may issue permissions to occupy any State forest for the purpose of taking or obtaining forest produce or any specified kind of forest produce therefrom”.



Law to be Amended	Amendments to be made
Section	
9	Substitute the words "under a grant or under a contract or lease in writing made under this Ordinance" for the words "under a contract or lease in writing made by or on behalf of the Governor".
12 (1)	Delete the words "by the person in possession thereof".
16 (1) ... ..	Substitute the words "any person who is within" for the words "any person who lives or is resident within".
18 ... ..	Renumber section 18 as section 18A and insert the following section as section 18 —
	<p><sup>18.</sup> <del>Trespass on</del> <sup>state forest.</sup> 18. Everyone who trespasses on or unlawfully occupies any State forest shall be liable to a fine of seventy-five dollars or to imprisonment for two months:</p>
	Provided that —
	(a) no one shall be deemed a trespasser on, or to have unlawfully occupied, any State forest under this section who proves, to the satisfaction of the magistrate before whom he is brought —
	(i) that he was travelling and reasonably occupied or used the forest for the purpose of his journey; or
	(ii) that he was authorised to occupy or use the forest by the Minister or by any other person having authority under this Ordinance or any other written law; or
	(iii) that he, or those through whom he claims, occupied the forest under a bona fide claim of right; and
	(b) where anyone is convicted for a first time under this section he shall not be liable to imprisonment whether in default of paying any penalty or otherwise if he thereupon surrenders peaceable possession of the State forest occupied by him with all the forest produce thereon, and all buildings and erections thereupon or affixed thereto."
21(b) ... ..	Substitute the words "any lease in respect of State forests or any permission, or removal permit or other contract in respect of forest produce" for the words "any licence or permit for forest produce".
23(1) ... ..	Insert immediately after the word "enclosure" the words "shed or structure or any part thereof".
26(2) ... ..	Insert the words —
	(a) "or detaining" after the word "seizing",
	(b) "or detained" after the word "seized",
	(c) "or detention" after the word "seizure".
26(7) ... ..	Insert the following as subsection (7) —
	"(7) No action shall be maintainable against the State or any forest officer for the loss or deterioration of any forest produce or

## Law to be Amended

## Amendments to be made

Section

28

thing seized or detained in the bona fide exercise of powers under this Ordinance."

(a) Substitute the words "the prescribed royalty value" for the words "the estimated value" and the words "two hundred and fifty dollars" and "seven hundred and fifty dollars" for the words "one hundred dollars" and "two hundred and fifty dollars" respectively, in paragraph (i) of the proviso.

(b) Substitute the following paragraph for paragraph (ii) of the proviso —

"(ii) such compensation shall not exceed five times the market value or alternatively, where the value of the forest produce or thing cannot be estimated, the sum of one hundred dollars".

41

Substitute the following for paragraph (e) of section 41 —

"(e) prohibiting or regulating the transport, by land or water, of timber whether obtained from State forest, State land, or private property;"

Subsidiary  
Legislation  
Forest  
Regulations  
(Cap. 250)  
Regulation

12

(a) Renumber as 12(1);

(b) Insert the words "as Form A" immediately after the word "specified";

(c) Insert the following as paragraph (2) —

"(2) No person shall remove or cause to be removed any forest produce from private lands unless a removal declaration in the form specified as Form B in the Fourth Schedule has been first completed in respect of such forest produce."

13(1)

(a) Insert the words "or from private lands" immediately before the words "along any waterway".

(b) Insert the words "or removal declaration as the case may be" immediately before the words "in respect of".

13(2)

Insert the words "or removal declaration as the case may be" immediately before the words "for inspection".

15

Insert the words "from any State forest" immediately after the words "forest produce".

17(1)

Insert the words "or to erect any extension or addition thereto" immediately before the words "or to change".

17(4)

Delete all the words occurring after the word "fit".

18

(a) Renumber paragraphs (5) and (6) as (7) and (8) respectively and insert the following as paragraphs (5) and (6) —

Law to be Amended

Amendments to be made

Section

"(5) On the application of the licence holder, the Conservator shall renew the licence for a further year if satisfied that the sawmill still conforms with the conditions and specifications referred to in paragraph (1) and that the sawmill is otherwise being operated in accordance with the law.

(6) An application for a licence or for the renewal of a licence shall be in Form C in the Fifth Schedule".

(b) Substitute the words "Form D" for the words "the form set out in paragraph (5)".

Delete and substitute therefor the following —

"Issue of licences for obtaining balata, etc.

27. The Conservator shall in respect of State forests have all the powers and authorities vested in the Commissioner of Lands in respect of State Lands by Part IX of the State Lands Regulations and for this purpose the provisions of the said Part IX shall have effect *mutatis mutandis* as if they formed part of these Regulations".

27

Insert the following regulation 30 immediately after regulation 29 —

30

"Fees Ninth Schedule.

30. The fees set out in the Ninth Schedule shall be payable in respect of the matters specified therein."

Fourth Schedule

Letter the form "Permit to Remove Timber" as "Form A" and insert the following as "Form B". —

"Regulation 12.

**THE FORESTS ORDINANCE** FORM B  
(Chapter 240)

**DECLARATION FOR REMOVAL OF FOREST PRODUCE FROM PRIVATE PROPERTY**

I/We.....hereby certify that I/We.....  
.....the duly authorised agent(s)/owner(s) of  
Private Property No.....known as.....  
have this (day) .....of.....(month) 19  
.....permitted Mr. / Mrs. / Miss.....  
.....to procure and remove the under-mentioned  
forest produce from the abovenamed Private Property.

	Quantity	Description of Species
(a)	logs	
(b)	bags charcoal	
(c)	fence posts	
(d)	paling staves	
(e)	tons/cords firewood	
(f)	other forest produce.	

Law to be Amended

Amendments to be made

.....  
 Date Signature of Agent/Owner of Private Property  
 Witnesses:—  
 (1).....  
 (2).....

**TO BE COMPLETED BY PERSON REMOVING FOREST PRODUCE**

To the Conservator of Forests.

I/We.....hereby declare that the forest produce listed above was cut and removed from Private Property No.... known as.....

Should there be any doubt or disagreement as to the exact source of the produce, I/We am/are willing to point out to any Forest Officer the stumps, of trees felled in order to obtain the forest produce listed in this declaration.

I/We am/are fully aware that should I/We fail to satisfy you or any Forest Officer that the said forest produce was indeed obtained from the aforesaid private property, I/We shall be liable to prosecution or such penalty as the law may impose.

.....  
 Date Signature of Permittee(s) logger(s)

Fifth Schedule .

Letter the form "Sawmill Licence" as "Form D" and insert as 'Form C' the following:—

Regulation 18 THE FOREST ORDINANCE FORM C  
 (Chapter 240).....

**APPLICATION FOR LICENCE TO OPERATE A SAWMILL**

To: The Conservator of Forests,  
 Forest Department,  
 Kingston, Georgetown.

I/We hereby apply for a licence to operate a sawmill for the period .....to.....This sawmill is situated at..... and has been

- \* (a) erected in accordance with your Permit No.....
- \* (b) operated previously under sawmill licence No.....

I/We hereby declare:

- (a) that the sawmill is comprised of the following prime units:—

Law to be  
Amended

## Amendments to be made

Section

Type of Unit	No.	Motive Power
Band saw(s)		
Gang saw(s)		
Circular saw(s)		
Edger saw(s)		
Planer(s)		
Cross cut saw(s)		

- (b) That there has been no alteration, modification, extension or addition to the lay-out or design of the mill or to the prime units as laid down in permit No....., in licence No.....\* save and except with due permission (see your permit No.

.....)

Date .....

Signature of Applicant

Export of Timber  
Ordinance,  
(Cap. 241)

Note: \*Delete as necessary.

Section

5(5)

Delete.

Guyana Rice  
Producers  
Association  
Ordinance,  
(Cap. 250)

Section

8(2)(g)

Insert the words "the Executive Committee," immediately after the word "Council," wherever that word occurs.

Animal Diseases  
Ordinance  
(Cap. 258)

Section

11 (1)

Delete.

Wild Birds  
Protection  
Ordinance,  
(Cap. 260)

Section:

3A

Substitute the words "seventy-five dollars" for the words "twenty-four dollars" wherever they appear.

Transport &  
Harbours  
Ordinance  
(Cap. 261)

Section

41(2)

Substitute the words "twenty dollars" for the words "three dollars and thirty-six cents".

Law to be Amended	Amendments to be made
Section	
49	<p>Substitute a semi-colon for the full stop at the end of paragraph (v) and insert the following immediately thereafter as paragraph (w) —</p> <p>“(w) the general administration and management of the railway and shipping services carried on by Government within Guyana and the use by the public of such services.”</p>
Second Schedule	<p>Substitute the following —</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SECOND SCHEDULE</b></p> <p>General Manager — formerly Managing Director  Traffic Manager  Chief Mechanical Engineer — formerly Superintendent Engineer  Engineer, Ways and Works  Harbour Master  Marine Superintendent  Marine Engineer  Superintendent of Surveys—formerly Harbour Surveyor  Mechanical Engineer (Railways)  Mechanical Engineer (Marine)  Assistant Civil Engineer  Chief Accountant  Chief Pilot  Executive Officer and Shipping Master  Pilots  Senior Hydrographic Surveyor  Hydrographic Surveyor</p>
Subsidiary Legislation Harbours and Pilotage Regulations (Vol. X p. 2513)	
Regulation 37(1)	<p>Delete all the words appearing after the word “dollars”.</p>
48 (3)	<p>Substitute the words “seven hundred and fifty” for the words “two hundred”.</p>
Home Trade Ships (Masters, Mates and Engineers Certificate) Regulations p. 2543 (Vol. X)	
Regulation 2(4) (c) and (e)	<p>Substitute the words “the Government of any other Caribbean Commonwealth Territory specified by the Minister for the purposes of this paragraph by notice in the Gazette” for the words “the Government of Trinidad or the Marine Board of Jamaica” wherever these words appear.</p>
	<p>Insert the following paragraph (3) —</p> <p>“(3) Any certificate in force and issued under this regulation be-</p>

Law to be Amended

Amendments to be made

Section

fore the coming into operation of the Home Trade Ships (Masters, Mates and Engineers Certificates) (Amendment) Regulations, 1967, shall upon surrender by the holder thereof be re-issued in the form used in pursuance of paragraph (2) with such adaptations as may be approved by the Minister".

13

Renumber the regulation as regulation 13(1) and insert the following as paragraph (2) —

"(2) When the certificate lost or destroyed was issued before the coming into operation of the Home Trade Ships (Masters, Mates and Engineers Certificates) (Amendment) Regulations, 1967, the certified copy shall be re-issued in the form used for the re-issue of certificates under regulation 11(3)".

Transport and Harbours Department (Superannuation and other Benefits) Regulations (Vol. X p 2555) Regulation

4

Insert the following words immediately after the word "Ordinance" at the end of the proviso —

"or whose dependents, as defined under the National Insurance and Social Security Act, are entitled to death benefits under that Act."

Government Wharves Ordinance, (Cap. 263)

Section:

2

Substitute the following for the definition of "government wharf" "government wharf" means any wharf mentioned in the Schedule.

3

Delete and substitute therefor the following —

"Amendment of Schedule. 3. The Minister may from time to time by notice published in the Gazette, amend the Schedule by adding any wharf thereto or by deleting therefrom any existing wharf".

Schedule

Delete and substitute therefor the following schedule,

"SCHEDULE

The WHARVES situated at the following places:

County of Berbice

Springlands

Right Bank Canje River

New Amsterdam (New Amsterdam Ferry Terminal)

Stanleytown, New Amsterdam

Law to be  
Amended

Amendments to be made

Section

Torani, Right Bank Berbice River  
 Schepmoed, East Bank Berbice (Launch Stelling)  
 Mara, Right Bank Berbice River (Launch Stelling)  
 Ida Sabina, Right Bank Berbice River (Launch Stelling)  
 Ebini, Right Bank Berbice River  
 Blairmont  
 Rosignol, West Coast Berbice (Ministry of Works, Hydraulics and Supply Wharf)  
 Rosignol, West Coast Berbice (Rosignol Ferry Terminal)

## County of Demerara

Left Bank, Mahaica River, West of Public Road  
 Kingston, Georgetown (Forestry Department Wharf)  
 Kingston, Georgetown (Ministry of Works, Hydraulics and Supply Wharf)  
 Cummingsburg, Georgetown (Goods Department) (Transport and Harbours Department Wharf)  
 Georgetown (Georgetown Ferry Terminal)  
 Stabroek, Georgetown (Customs Boat House)  
 Charlestown, Georgetown  
 Ruimveldt, Georgetown  
 Timehri, East Bank Demerara  
 Vreed-en-Hoop (Vreed-en-Hoop Ferry Terminal)  
 Vreed-en-Hoop (Ministry of Works, Hydraulics and Supply Ramp)

## County of Essequibo

Parika  
 Outfall Channel, Parika Main Drain, Parika (Ramp)  
 Doornhaag, Leguan Island (Ministry of Works, Hydraulics and Supply Launch Stelling)  
 Leguan Island (Transport and Harbours Department Wharf)  
 Hogg Island  
 Fredericksburg, Wakenaam Island (Ministry of Works, Hydraulics and Supply Launch Stelling)  
 Good Success, Wakenaam Island (Ministry of Works, Hydraulics and Supply Ramp)  
 Wakenaam Island (Transport and Harbours Department Wharf)  
 Riverstown, Essequibo Coast (Ramp)  
 Adventure  
 Charity  
 Fort Island  
 Makouria Quarry, Right Bank Essequibo River (stone loading)  
 Makouria Quarry, Right Bank Essequibo River (passenger service)  
 Mazaruni Dockyard  
 Bartica  
 Teperu Quarry, Right Bank Essequibo River  
 Morawhanna  
 Kumaka "

Subsidiary  
 Legislation  
 Government  
 Wharves (Public  
 Works Depart-  
 ment) (Cap.  
 263)  
 Rule 7

Substitute the word "seventy-five" for the word "twenty-four".



Law to be Amended	Amendments to be made
Hobaboe Creek (Diversion) Ordinance, (Cap. 276) Section 5  Roads Ordinance (Cap. 277)  Section 3	<p>Substitute the words "out of moneys provided by Parliament, a bridge in accordance with sections 12 and 13 of the Roads Ordinance" for all the words appearing between the words "maintained as a bridge" and the colon.</p> <p>Substitute the following —</p> <p>"Establishment of public roads.</p> <p>3. (1) Every road mentioned in the Schedule shall be a public road for the purposes of this Ordinance and all expenses incurred in the construction or maintenance of such roads shall be defrayed out of moneys provided by Parliament.</p> <p>(2) The Minister may by order amend the Schedule.</p> <p>(3) The roads specified in the proclamations made under the former section 4(1) and in force immediately before the coming into operation of this section and not discontinued by proclamations made under section 4(2), shall be deemed to be roads mentioned in the Schedule for the purposes of subsection (1)."</p>
4  11(3)  19  38	<p>Delete.</p> <p>Substitute the word "three" for the word "one" appearing in the proviso.</p> <p>Substitute the words "a direction" for the words "an order".</p> <p>Delete subsections (2) and (3) and insert the following as subsection (2) —</p> <p>"(2) The Minister may annex to a breach of any of those regulations a fine of one hundred and fifty dollars and, in case of a continuing offence, a further fine of thirty dollars for each day after notice of the breach, from the Chief Officer or his agent, is served on the person charged".</p>
Common Carriers Ordinance (Cap. 279)  Section:  3  4(1)	<p>(a) Substitute the words "Bank of Guyana, or of any bank in any Commonwealth country" for all the words appearing between the words "notes of the" and the word "orders".</p> <p>(b) Substitute the words "one hundred" for the words "twenty-five".</p> <p>Substitute the words "one hundred" for the words "twenty-five".</p>

Law to be Amended	Amendments to be made
Section	
Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Ordinance (Cap. 280) Section:	
11 ... ..	Substitute for all the words appearing before the proviso thereof the following words —
	“Save as is hereinafter provided, any person who drives or being the owner permits any other person to drive on a road a motor vehicle which is not registered under this Ordinance shall be guilty of an offence”.
23(3) ... ..	Delete and substitute therefor the following subsection —
	“(3) Where any person has been convicted of an offence under subsection (1) the magistrate shall, if such person has not at the time of conviction taken out the licence required by section 17, order such person to pay in addition to any fine imposed for such offence the sum required to be paid for the licence”.
29(1) ... ..	Substitute the words “police constable or member of the Guyana Defence Force” for the words “member of the Police Force” appearing in the proviso.
47 ... ..	Delete paragraph (a) and re-letter paragraphs (b), (c), (d) and (e) as paragraphs (a), (b), (c) and (d) respectively.
49 ... ..	Substitute therefor —
“Power to erect traffic signs.	<p>49. The Commissioner of Police may cause or permit to be placed on or near any road a prescribed traffic sign for —</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) providing adequate guidance to users of the road as to the directions, restrictions or prohibitions contained in any law for the regulation of traffic, or</li> <li>(ii) providing for such of the purposes of section 47 as he may consider more appropriate to provide for by sign under this section, than to provide for by order under section 47;</li> <li>(iii) making such appointments, prescriptions, prohibitions or restrictions authorised by section 50 as he may consider more appropriate to provide for by sign under this section, than to provide for by order under section 50:</li> </ul> <p>Provided that no sign inconsistent with any order made under section 47 or 50, shall be placed on or near any road.”</p>
51 ... ..	Insert immediately before the word “has” the following words “or for regulating the parking of vehicles”.
102 ... ..	Substitute the word “Minister”, for the words “Governor in Council”.



## Law to be Amended

## Amendments to be made

Road Traffic  
(Bel Air Park)  
Order 1958  
(O 3/1958)

Delete all the clauses of this order except clause 8.

Motor Vehicles  
Insurance (Third  
Party Risks)  
Ordinance  
(Cap. 281)

Substitute for the definition of "authorised insurer" the following definition —

"authorised insurer" means —

(a) an Assurance Company or Underwriter incorporated or registered in Guyana, under the Companies Ordinance who has deposited and keeps deposited with the Accountant General the sum of fifty thousand dollars or securities approved by the Minister to the like amount in respect of that business;

(b) any person who carries on in Guyana the business of giving security of a like kind and who has deposited and keeps deposited with the Accountant General the sum of fifty thousand dollars or securities approved by the Minister to the like amount in respect of that business.

Tax Ordinance  
(Cap. 298)

Substitute the words "statutory declarations" for the words "declaration under the Statutory Declarations Ordinance"

Delete.

(a) Delete the words "an ad valorem duty of two per centum on the consideration paid for such conveyance transport or transfer" and substitute therefor the following words "whether by sale, gift or otherwise an ad valorem duty of two per cent on the value of the property conveyed, transported or transferred"

(b) Delete paragraph (c) in the proviso and re-letter paragraphs (a) and (b) as paragraphs (b) and (c) respectively.

(c) Insert the following paragraph as paragraph (a) of the proviso —

"(a) The Registrar of Deeds may accept the consideration stated in the conveyance, transport or transfer as the value of the property for the purposes of subsection (1) or he may require the value to be ascertained by the sworn valuation of a competent appraiser."

Income Tax  
Ordinance  
(Cap. 299)

Section  
10 ... ..  
23(4) ... ..

Delete paragraph (m).

Delete.

Law to be Amended	Amendments to be made
Section 69A (8) . . . . .	Insert the words "a Commonwealth country or" immediately before the words "a foreign state" appearing in paragraph (f)
Subsidiary Legislation Income Tax Exit Regulations 1/1963 Regulation 6(1)	Substitute the words "a Commonwealth country or a" for the words "an accredited" appearing in paragraph (b).
Income Tax (Appeal) Rules (Vol. X p. 2768) Appendix II	For the fees set out in the right hand column of Appendix II substitute respectively, "\$7, \$3, \$3, \$2, \$3, \$1, \$0.50, \$5".
Estate Duty Ordinance (Cap. 301) Section: 22	Delete all the words appearing after the word "person" and substitute therefor the words "shall be liable to a fine of three thousand dollars and to imprisonment for three years."
24(1)	Delete all the words appearing before the word "may" and substitute therefor the words "Subject to article 47 of the Constitution, any criminal proceeding under this Ordinance may be instituted and carried on by the Commissioner under and in accordance with the Summary Jurisdiction Ordinances and any amount owing to the State under this Ordinance."
25(1)	Delete all the words appearing before the word "shall" and substitute therefor the words "Estate duty".
Stamp Duties (Management) (Cap. 303) Section: 11(2)	Substitute the words "one thousand" for the words "five hundred".
Miscellaneous Licences Ordinance (Cap. 306). Section: 18(3), 20, 32	Delete.
Customs Ordinance (Cap. 309). Section: 4	Delete the words "such particular place within any port, if done at any place" and substitute therefor the words "such particular officer and any act required by the law at any time to be done at any particular place within any port, if done at any place".

## Law to be Amended

## Amendments to be made

Section:

- 8 . . . . .
- (a) Insert the words "amendment, revocation or" immediately before the words "expiry";
- (b) Immediately after the words "prior thereto" insert the words "and in the event of the revocation or expiry of such order under section 9 the duties payable prior to the date of the order shall be received and shall be payable as if the order had never been made".
- (c) Delete the words "until it expires as aforesaid" at the end of the section.
- 9 . . . . .
- Substitute the following for section 9 —
- "National Assembly may confirm amend or revoke order. 9. (1) Within ten days of the publication in the Gazette of an order made under section 8, the Minister shall lodge with the Clerk of the National Assembly a copy of the order and a notice of motion for the confirmation of the order by the Assembly.
- (2) As soon as practicable thereafter, the order shall be laid before the Assembly and the motion moved therein.
- (3) The National Assembly may confirm the order with or without amendment or may revoke it, and the resolution shall take effect upon its publication in the Gazette.
- (4) The order shall ipso facto expire if it is not lodged as required by subsection (1)."
- 10 and 11 . . . . .
- Insert immediately before the word "expiry" the words "amendment, revocation or".
- 74 . . . . .
- Insert immediately before the word "bulk" the words "hatches are opened without the knowledge and consent of the proper officer or".
- 138 . . . . .
- Insert in the proviso thereto immediately after the word "tons" the words "or in any aircraft or across any land or riverain frontier of Guyana".
- 166 . . . . .
- Renumber this section as section 166(1) and insert the following as subsection (2) —
- "(2) Any loss or damage arising out of the contravention of subsection (1) shall be recoverable by civil action at the suit of the State from the master of the aircraft or ship".
- 203(4) . . . . .
- Insert in this subsection immediately after the word "destroys" wherever it occurs, the following words — "or throws away".
- 208 . . . . .
- Substitute the words "Any officer having a writ of assistance issued by the High Court which is hereby authorised and required to grant such writs upon application by the Comptroller may," for all the words appearing before the words "by day or by night".
- 213A . . . . .
- Insert the following section immediately after section 213 —
- "Penalty for obstructing rescuing, etc. 213A Any person who —
- (a) obstructs, hinders molests or assaults any officer in the execution of his duty; or

## Law to be Amended

## Amendments to be made

## Section:

- (b) does anything which impedes or is calculated to impede the carrying out of any search which may lead to the forfeiture, detention or seizure of anything liable to be forfeited, detained or seized under the customs laws; or
- (c) rescues, damages, destroys or throws away anything liable to be forfeited, seized or detained under the customs laws or does anything calculated to prevent the procuring or giving of evidence relating to forfeiture, seizure or detention under the customs laws; or
- (d) prevents the detention of any person by an officer in the execution of his duty; or
- (e) rescues any person detained under paragraph (d); or
- (f) attempts to do anything mentioned in paragraph (a), (b), (c), (d), or (e).

shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine of one thousand and five hundred dollars and to imprisonment for a term of three months.

228 ... ..

Substitute the words "one hundred" for the word "fifty".

253 ... ..

Substitute the words "one thousand" for the words "five hundred" wherever they appear.

254 ... ..

Substitute the words "one thousand" for the words "five hundred".

265 ... ..

Substitute the words "the principal officer of inland revenue or the principal officer of Customs and Excise of any Commonwealth territory or of such other officers performing similar functions in a Commonwealth territory as may be approved by the Minister," for the words appearing after the words "office of" and ending with the word "possession".

Subsidiary Legislation (Cap. 309) Customs Regulations

Regulation 70(2)

Substitute the word "twenty-five" for the word "twenty-four".

Intoxicating Liquor Licensing Ordinance (Cap. 316)

Section: 96(1) ... ..

Substitute the words "Accountant General" for the words "Financial Secretary," and delete all the words appearing thereafter.







Law to be Amended	Amendments to be made
<b>Business Names</b> (Registration) Ordinance (Cap. 332)	
<b>Section</b> 17(1) ... ..	(a) Substitute the words "Guyanese," "Carifta" or "Commonwealth" for the word "British" where it first appears.  (b) Substitute the words "Guyanese, Caribbean Free Trade Association or Commonwealth" for the word "British" where it appears the second time.
18(1) ... ..	(a) Delete the words, "not exceeding twenty-four cents for each inspection" and all the words appearing after the word "extract" where it first appears.  (b) Insert the words "the prescribed fees" immediately before the words "shall be paid".
<b>Sale of Goods</b> Ordinance (Cap. 333)	
<b>Section:</b> 6 ... ..	Delete this section.
13(3) ... ..	Delete the words "or where the contract is for specific goods, the property in which has passed to the buyer,".
37 ... ..	Insert the words "(except where section 36 otherwise provides)" immediately before the words "when the goods".
<b>Pawnbroking</b> Ordinance (Cap. 336)	
<b>Section:</b> 26(d) ... ..	Substitute the words "a public" for all the words appearing between the words "pawnbroker on" and the word "holiday".
30(1) ... ..	Substitute the expression "Minister" for the expression "Legislative Council".
35 ... ..	Substitute the words "twenty-five dollars" for the words "twenty-four dollars".
<b>Bills of Sale</b> Ordinance (Cap. 337)	
<b>Section:</b> 8(1)(b)	Substitute the words "twenty-one days" for the words "one week".
11 ... ..	Substitute a full stop for the comma and delete all the words appearing thereafter.
17 ... ..	Substitute the expression "Minister" for the expression "Governor and Legislative Council".

Law to be Amended	Amendments to be made
Section 26  Bills of Exchange Ordinance, (Cap. 338)	Delete and substitute therefor the following section —  "Bill of sale under <del>\$150</del> <sup>\$160</sup> to be void. 26. Every bill of sale made or given after the coming into operation of the Law Revision Act, 1972 in consideration of any sum under one hundred and fifty dollars shall be void."
Section: 14 ... ..	Substitute for the proviso the following — "Provided that — (i) when the last day of grace falls on a holiday, the bill is, except in the cases provided for in paragraph (ii) of this proviso, due and payable on the preceding business day, and (ii) when the public has had less than 3 days notice of the holiday referred to in paragraph (i) of this proviso or when the last two days of grace fall on holidays the bill is due and payable on the succeeding business day;
94(2) ... ..	and the term "holiday" in this proviso means a bank holiday declared under the Banking Ordinance, 1965, or a public holiday;"  Delete and substitute therefor the following—  "(2) Non-business days, for the purposes of this Ordinance, are bank holidays declared under the Banking Ordinance, 1965, and public holidays."
Merchandise Marks Ordinance (Cap. 339)  Section: 14 ... ..	Delete.
Trade Marks Ordinance. (Cap. 340)  Section: 70 ... ..	Delete.
Trade Marks Rules (1 of 1955) Rule 15(1)(b)  16 ... ..	Delete.  Delete and substitute therefor the following —

Law to be Amended	Amendments to be made
<p>"Arms of Guyana flag, etc.</p> <p>Patents &amp; Designs Ordinance (Cap. 342)</p> <p>Section: 21(4)</p> <p>22(9)</p>	<p>16. Representations of the Arms or Ensigns Armorial of the Republic of Guyana, the Seal of Guyana, the Arms of the Office of President of Guyana, the national flag of Guyana or the standard or Banner of the President or any device so nearly resembling the same as to be likely to lead to mistake, or the words "Republic", "Government", "State", "National" or "Presidential" or any other words, letters or devices likely to lead persons to think that the applicant either has or recently has had the patronage or authorisation of the Government or the President, may not appear on trade marks the registration of which is applied for after the 23rd February, 1970, unless the consent of the President has been obtained and notice thereof published in the Gazette."</p> <p>Substitute the words "one hundred dollars" for the words "forty-eight dollars."</p> <p>Delete.</p>
<p>101</p> <p>107</p> <p>112, 113</p> <p>First Schedule</p> <p>Weights and Measures Ordinance (Cap. 343)</p>	<p>Delete subsection (2) and renumber subsections (3), (4) and (5) as subsections (2), (3) and (4), respectively.</p> <p>Delete subsection (2) and the bracketed figure (1) at the beginning of subsection (1).</p> <p>Delete.</p> <p>All the fees set out in the Schedule are hereby doubled.</p>
<p>Section: 2 &amp; 3</p> <p>Guyana standards, copies and models and their custody.</p>	<p>Delete and substitute the following —</p> <p>"Interpretation.</p> <p>2. In this Ordinance —</p> <p>"Guyana standards of weight and measure", "Guyana standards" or "standards" means the Guyana standards referred to in section 3(1);</p> <p>"Inspector of weights and measures" or "Inspector" means an Inspector of weights and measures designated in accordance with section 3A".</p> <p>3. (1) The standards representing such units of weight and measure as are mentioned in the Weights and Measures Act, 1824, of the United Kingdom and in use in Guyana on the 26th May, 1966, shall be the Guyana standards of weight and measure.</p>

## Law to be Amended

## Amendments to be made

Section:

(2) The Guyana standards shall be in the custody of the Secretary to the Treasury and shall be used for the verification of the copies mentioned in subsection (3).

(3) The Minister shall cause to be made copies and models of the Guyana standards and such copies after being verified in such manner as the Minister shall specify shall be placed in the custody and under the control of inspectors of weights and measures.

(4) If at any time any standard or any copy thereof is lost, destroyed, defaced, damaged or found by the Minister to be unsuitable, the Minister shall cause that standard or copy to be replaced by a fresh standard or copy".

Insert the following section immediately after section 3 —

"Appointment of Inspectors.

3A. The Minister shall designate such public officers as he thinks fit as inspectors of weights and measures, and may assign such inspectors to a particular area or particular areas of Guyana".

3A

10(4)

Substitute for all the words appearing after the words "shall on" the following words —

"summary conviction be liable to —

- (a) a fine of not less than five hundred dollars nor more than one thousand dollars and to imprisonment for not less than three nor more than twelve months;
- (b) a fine of not less nor more than one thousand dollars together with imprisonment for not less nor more than twelve months, on a second or subsequent conviction".

10(6)

In the proviso substitute the words "with the Secretary to the Treasury under section 3" for the words "in the Exchequer".

10(8)

Substitute for all the words appearing after the word "unjust" the following words —

"shall on summary conviction be liable to —

- (a) a fine of not less than five hundred dollars nor more than one thousand dollars and to imprisonment for not less than three months nor more than twelve months;
- (b) a fine of not less nor more than one thousand dollars together with imprisonment for not less or more than twelve months, on a second or subsequent conviction,

and any contract, bargain, sale or dealing made by the same shall be void and the scale, balance, steelyard or other weighing machine shall be liable to be forfeited."

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Delete the words "shall on the commencement of this Ordinance" and substitute therefor the words "may be required by the Minister to".

## Law to be Amended

## Amendments to be made

## Section:

13(1)	...	...	Substitute the words "such number or mark as may be directed by the Minister" for the words "a number or mark distinguishing the county in which he acts".
13(2)	...	...	For the words appearing after the word "residing" substitute the following —  "in an area outside the area to which he is appointed under section 3A shall be liable to a fine of thirty dollars for every weight or measure which he so stamps".
14	...	...	(a) Insert the word "inspector" immediately before the words "justice of peace" wherever these words occur in this section.  (b) Substitute the words "seventy-five" and "one hundred and fifty" for the words "twenty-four" and "forty-eight", respectively, in subsection (2).
16	...	...	Delete the words "and stamp".
19	...	...	Delete.
Schedule			Delete and substitute therefor the following schedule —

**"SCHEDULE****TABLE OF FEES TO BE TAKEN BY INSPECTORS OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.**

1. For examining, comparing, and stamping all weights within their respective jurisdictions —

	\$	c.
(1) Each weight, from half a hundredweight to a stone, both included	0	50
(2) Each weight under a stone to a pound	0	25
(3) Each set of weights of a pound and under	0	50
(4) Each weighing machine and steelyard	0	75

2. For examining, comparing, and stamping all wooden measures within their respective jurisdictions —

	\$	c.
(1) Each bushel	0	15
(2) Each half bushel	0	15
(3) Each peck, and all under	0	15
(4) Each yard	0	15

3. For examining, comparing, and stamping all measures of capacity of liquids made of copper or other metal, within their respective jurisdictions—

	\$	c.
(1) Each five-gallon	0	25
(2) Each four-gallon	0	25
(3) Each three-gallon	0	25
(4) Each two-gallon	0	25
(5) Each gallon	0	25
(6) Each half-gallon	0	25
(7) Each quart, and under	0	25

Law to be Amended	Amendments to be made												
<p>Weighers and Gaugers Ordinance (Cap. 344)</p> <p>Section : 2(4) ... ..</p> <p>Second Schedule</p>	<p>4. For examining, comparing, and sealing all petrol pumps within their respective jurisdictions —</p> <table border="0" style="margin-left: 40px;"> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">Each petrol pump</td> <td style="text-align: center;">...</td> <td style="text-align: center;">...</td> <td style="text-align: center;">...</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$</td> <td style="text-align: right;">c.</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">2.</td> <td style="text-align: right;">00"</td> </tr> </table> <p>Substitute a full stop for the comma after the words "any of them" and delete all the words occurring thereafter.</p> <p>(a) For the fees appearing in the second column substitute the following fees, respectively —</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">"50 00, 5 00, 10 00, 0 40, 0 25, 0 15, 0 05, 0 30, 0 25, 0 25, 0 25".</p> <p>(b) Substitute the words "two dollars" for the words "one dollar" in the paragraph at the end of the Schedule.</p>	Each petrol pump	...	...	...	\$	c.					2.	00"
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<p>Subsidiary Legislation (Cap. 345).</p> <p>Firearms Regulations (Reg. 42/1940 — Vol. X p. 3300)</p> <p>Regulation 4</p>	<p>Substitute the following —</p> <p>"Prescribed authorities. 4. For the purposes of sections 18, 19, 20, 27 and 40 of the Ordinance the prescribed officer for every police division (within the meaning of the Police Act) shall be the police officer for the time being in command of the police in that division or any police officer under his command not below the rank of assistant superintendent."</p>												
<p>Explosives Ordinance (Cap. 346)</p> <p>Section : 3 ... ..</p> <p>12A (2) ... ..</p> <p>18(3) ... ..</p>	<p>Insert the words, "without the written permission of the Minister", immediately after the words "No one shall".</p> <p>Insert the words "one thousand" immediately before the word "five".</p> <p>Substitute the word "Minister" for the words "Legislative Council".</p>												
<p>Petroleum Ordinance, (Cap. 347)</p> <p>Section : 4(4) ... ..</p> <p>5(2) ... ..</p>	<p>Substitute the word "three" for the word "one".</p> <p>Substitute the word "three" for the word "one".</p>												

Law to be Amended	Amendments to be made
Subsidiary Legislation Petroleum Regulations 34(2)	Substitute the words "one hundred and fifty" for the word "fifty".
Auctioneer Ordinance (Cap. 349)	
Section : 4(1)	Substitute the words "two thousand dollars" for the words "nineteen hundred and twenty dollars" wherever these words occur.
National Service Ordinance (Cap. 358)	
Section : 2	Delete the definition "Dominion".
3(1)	Substitute the word "Every" for the words "Subject to the provisions of section 4 of this Ordinance, every".
3(1)(a)	Substitute the words "citizen of Guyana" for the words "British subject".
3(1)(b)	Substitute the words "forty-five" for the words "fifty-five".
4	Delete.
8(1)	Insert immediately after the words "make regulations" the words "prescribing anything required or authorised to be prescribed by this Ordinance and may make regulations".
11	Delete.
Fire Prevention Ordinance, 1954 (19 of 1954)	
Section 5	Insert immediately after the word "afternoon" the words "and at such other times as may be determined".
Adoption of Children Ordinance 1955. (12 of 1955)	
Section 32(2)	Substitute therefor the following subsection—
	"(2) In any regulation under this section, the Minister may prescribe for any offence a penalty not exceeding a fine of four hundred dollars or imprisonment for six months."
Civil List (Amendment) Ordinance (22 of 1955)	
Section 5	Delete.



Law to be Amended	Amendments to be made												
Licence Revenue Ordinance, 1956 (No. 7 of 1956) Section 4	Delete the words "section 14 of".												
Fire Brigade Ordinance, 1957 (7 of 1957)  The whole Ordinance and Subsidiary Legislation  Section 5	Substitute the word "Service" for the word "Brigade" wherever the latter word appears except in section 13 where it first appears and in section 32(1).  Substitute for section 5, the following section —  "Maintenance of public Service out of moneys. 5. The Minister may authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of such sums of money as may be necessary for defraying the cost of maintaining the Service".												
9	Delete this section.												
10 and 11	Renumber these sections as sections 10A and 11A respectively.												
15(2)(a)	Substitute the following —  "(a) to carry out all necessary measures to ensure the proper discipline of the Service",												
19(5)	Substitute the following —  "(5) This section shall apply to an auxiliary member notwithstanding the fact that by reason of his injury or death he or his dependants as defined under the National Insurance and Social Security Act, 1969, are entitled to benefits under that Act".												
31(h) and (i)	Reletter paragraphs (h), (i) and (j) as paragraphs (i), (j) and (h) respectively.												
Schedule	Substitute the following for the schedule — <b>"Section 4 SCHEDULE</b> <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: center;">Fire Service Units</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Names</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Areas</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1. Georgetown Fire Service Unit</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Georgetown Fire Service Unit</td> <td>The City of Georgetown.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2. New Amsterdam Fire Service Unit</td> <td style="text-align: center;">New Amsterdam Fire Service Unit</td> <td>The Town of New Amsterdam.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3. Timehri Fire Service Unit</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Timehri Fire Service Unit</td> <td>The area bounded as follows: On the North — by the Kakabura Trench.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Fire Service Units	Names	Areas	1. Georgetown Fire Service Unit	Georgetown Fire Service Unit	The City of Georgetown.	2. New Amsterdam Fire Service Unit	New Amsterdam Fire Service Unit	The Town of New Amsterdam.	3. Timehri Fire Service Unit	Timehri Fire Service Unit	The area bounded as follows: On the North — by the Kakabura Trench.
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## Law to be Amended

## Amendments to be made

On the South — by the side-line trench between Timhri and Plantation Alliance.

On the East — by the Soesdyke-Linden Highway.

On the West — by the Demerara River, all boundaries being shown on a plan dated 18th March, 1966 and on record in the Lands Department as Plan No. 119 911B.

## 4. The Linden Fire Service Unit

The Town of Linden as defined by clause 2 of the Linden Town (Constitution) Order 1970 (No. 29/1970).

Fire Brigade Regulations 26 of 1957)

Regulation 3 ... ..

In regulation 3, substitute for the ranks set out thereunder the following ranks —

“Deputy Chief Fire Officer  
Divisional Officer  
Assistant Divisional Officer  
Station Officer  
Sub-Officer  
Section Leader  
Leading Fireman  
Fireman”

22 and 23

Renumber these regulations 22A and 23A, respectively.

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Delete.

Second Schedule Paragraph 1(3).

Substitute for the words “Chief Fire Officer” where they appear the second time the words “such body as the Minister shall determine.”

Third Schedule Paragraph 4.

Delete items (11), (12) and (13) and insert the following —

“(11) 2 pairs of leather shoes.  
(11A) 2 pairs of socks.  
(12) 4 pairs of trousers.  
(13) 4 bush jackets”.

Money Lenders Ordinance, 1957 (11 of 1957)

Section 25

Substitute the word “forty” for the word “twenty-four” wherever it appears.

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Prison Ordinance, 1957 (22 of 1957) Section 10, 12 and 13 14 58(a)	Renumber as 10A, 12A and 13A respectively. Delete. Substitute the words "and duties" for the words "duties and discipline".
Local Government (Hopetown and Bel Air Country District) (Special Provisions) Ordinance, 1957 (31 of 1957) Section 4	Delete.
Electricity Ordinance, 1957 (34 of 1957) Section 28(1)	Substitute the following for the proviso to this subsection: "Provided that the Guyana Electric Supply Order as modified by the Electricity (Continuation of the Georgetown Electric Supply Order) Order 1963 shall continue in force and shall be subject to amendment by order of the Minister made for any of the purposes for which the Minister may make regulations under section 36."
Pensions (Consolidation) Ordinance, 1957 (38 of 1957) Section 21(6)	Substitute therefor — "(6) This section shall apply to an officer notwithstanding the fact that by reason of his injury or death he or his dependants as defined under the National Insurance and Social Security Act, 1969, are entitled to benefits under that Act".
Schedule Regulation 15(6)	Substitute therefor — "(6) This regulation shall apply to an officer notwithstanding the fact that by reason of his injury he or his dependants as defined under the National Insurance and Social Security Act, 1969, are entitled to benefits under that Act."
Police Ordinance, 1957 (39 of 1957) Section 2	(a) For the definition of "division" substitute the following definition — "division" or "sub-division" means a police division or sub-

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	division respectively into which Guyana may be divided by order of the Commissioner under section 27A;
	(b) In the definition "member of the Force" substitute the words "constable and rural constable" for the words "and constable" and delete the words "rural and".
22(1)	Delete the words "charged with any offence".
27A	<p>For the heading of Part V substitute the heading "Police Division and Buildings" and immediately thereunder insert the following section —</p> <p>"Boundaries of police divisions and sub-divisions. 27A. The Commissioner may by order divide Guyana into police divisions or police sub-divisions for the purposes of this Act."</p>
37, 38, 39, 41, 42, 43, 49 and 97	Rename these sections 37A, 38A, 39A, 41A, 42A, 43A, 49A and 97A respectively.
50 and 51	Substitute the word "Association" for the word "Federation" in these sections and in the heading to these sections.
83 (4)	Substitute the following as subsection (4) —
	<p>"(4) This section shall apply to a member of the Special Constabulary notwithstanding the fact that by reason of his illness, injury, or death, he or his dependants as defined under the National Insurance and Social Security Act, 1969, are entitled to benefits under that Act".</p>
93(1)(a)	Insert the words "shall have all the powers and" immediately before the words "shall".
94(1)	(a) Substitute the words "active service" for the words "full-time service with the Force" wherever these words appear.
	(b) Substitute a full stop for the comma appearing after the word "orders" and delete all the words appearing thereafter.
99	Delete.
105	Delete the words "the form and method of their appointment," in paragraph (g), reletter paragraphs (b) to (f) as paragraphs (l) to (p) respectively, and paragraphs (g) to (p) as paragraphs (b) to (k), respectively, and rearrange the order of the paragraphs accordingly.
Federal Supreme Court (Appeals) Ordinance, 1958 (19 of 1958)	
Section 4	Delete.
36B	Delete.
36G (a)	Substitute the word "adopted" for the word "followed" and insert immediately after the words "Court of Appeal" the words "or with

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respect to any appeal to the Judicial Committee under article 92 of the Constitution”.

(a) Substitute the following words for the words “acting as a Court of Appeal for British Guiana” —

“in respect of appeals to that Court from Guyana and in respect of appeals in such cases from that Court to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council”.

(b) Renumber subsection (2) as subsection (3) and insert the following as subsection (2) —

“(2) The Court of Appeal Rules, formerly entitled the Federal Supreme Court (Appeals from British Guiana) Rules, 1959, shall have effect for all purposes as if they had been made under section 36G of this Ordinance.”

## Subsidiary

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Federal

Supreme Court

(Appeals from

British Guiana)

Rules, 1959

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February, 1959).

Appendix B

Parts, I II and

III

In the right hand column of fees substitute for the figures in the first column below the figures in the second column below wherever the former figures appear —

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2.52	—	3.00
4.80	—	5.00
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## Part IV

(a) Substitute in item 1(a) the figures “5.00” and “25.00” for the figures “5.04” and “15.12” respectively.

(b) Substitute in item 8 the figures “30”, “10” and “5” for the figures “24”, “8” and “4” respectively.

(c) Substitute in item 9 the figure “5” for the figure “4”.

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Section  Trade Ordinance 1958 (34 of 1958)	(d) Substitute in item 14 the figures "5.00" and "30.00" for the figures "5.04" and "25.20" respectively.
The Whole Ordinance	Substitute the expression "Minister" for the expressions "Governor" and "Governor-in-Council" wherever they respectively appear.
Section 5 (3)	Substitute the following subsection —  "(3) The Minister may by notice published in the Gazette delegate any of his functions under this section to the competent authority."
Land Bonds Ordinance, 1959 (21 of 1959)	
Section 13 (4)	Delete.
Legislative (Disqualification) Ordinance 1961 (33 of 1961)	
Section 3(b)	Delete.
3(d) (i)	Delete and substitute therefor the following —
4	"(i) is a member of the Guyana Police Force or of the Guyana Defence Force or".
	(a) Delete subsection (2) and the bracketed figure (1).
	(b) Delete the word "which" appearing immediately after the word "office" and insert the word "which" immediately after the bracketed letter "(b)".
	(c) Substitute for paragraph (a) the following — "(a) to which a member of the National Assembly is expressly or impliedly authorised or required to be appointed by any written law;"
Financial Administration and Audit Ordinance 1961 (39 of 1961)	
Section 2 (1)	In the definition of the expression "revenue" insert the words "and all grants and gifts received by the Government" immediately after the word "raised".

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Public Corporations Ordinance 1962 (23 of 1962) Section 2C	Insert the words "anything in any other law to the contrary notwithstanding" after the word "and" where it last appears in subsection (2).
Government Lotteries Ordinance 1963 (13 of 1963) Section 7(2)	Substitute the words "out of the Consolidated Fund which is hereby charged with such payment", for the words "from the revenues of the Colony".
Election Regulations, 1964 (24 of 1964) Regulation 2	In the definition of "electors" substitute the words "VI, VII, VIII and IX" for the words "VI and VII".
5 (2) Statistics Ordinance (14 of 1965) Section 2	Substitute the words "Subject to any orders made by the Minister under paragraph (1), every" for the word "Every".
Bank of Guyana Ordinance 1965 (23 of 1965) Section 22(5) and (6)	Delete.
25 27 (6) and (7)	Delete. Delete.
Defence Ordinance 1966 (24 of 1966A) Section 136	Delete.
137(8) and 138 (2)	In the definition of "military establishment" delete all the words appearing after the word "detention", and substitute the words "or a corresponding establishment in a Commonwealth Country". Delete.

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Substitute the following —

"Application of the Act. (1) The Minister may by order declare that officers, warrant officers, and non-commissioned officers, who being members of the armed forces of any Commonwealth country, are subject to the military law of such country and are seconded to serve with the Force or any part thereof, shall remain subject to the military law of such country and shall not be subject to military law under this Ordinance.

(2) In the event of a person referred to in subsection (1) committing an offence against the military law applicable to him, he may be held, tried and punished in Guyana according to such military law for the offence thereunder."

Agricultural Loans Ordinance, 1966 (14 of 1966 A)

Section  
22(3)

Substitute the words "the Land Registry Ordinance, 1959" for the words "that Ordinance".

National Security (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1966 (7 of 1966 B)

Section  
28

Delete.

Bill of Entry (In Aid of Defence) Levy Act, 1969 (4 of 1969)

Section  
5 (3)

Substitute the following therefor —

"(3) (a) Within ten days of the publication in the Gazette of an order made under subsection (2), the Minister shall lodge with the Clerk of the National Assembly a copy of the order and a notice of motion for the confirmation of the order by the Assembly.

(b) As soon as practicable thereafter, the order shall be laid before the Assembly and the motion moved therein.

(c) The National Assembly may confirm the order with or without amendment or may revoke it, and the resolution shall take effect upon its publication in the Gazette.

(d) If within the period prescribed in paragraph (a) the Minister does not lodge a copy of the order and the notice of motion as required by that paragraph, the order shall *ipso facto* expire.



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Consumption Tax  
Act, 1969  
(13 of 1969)

Section  
4(1)

Insert the words "or exempt any such goods from tax" immediately after the words "reduce any tax".

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Substitute the following therefor —

“National  
Assembly  
may confirm,  
amend or  
revoke  
order.”

5. (1) Within ten days of the publication in the Gazette of an order made under section 4, the Minister shall lodge with the Clerk of the National Assembly a copy of the order and a notice of motion for the confirmation of the order by the Assembly.

(2) As soon as practicable thereafter, the order shall be laid before the Assembly and the motion shall be moved therein.

(3) The National Assembly may confirm the order with or without amendment or may revoke it, and the resolution shall take effect upon its publication in the Gazette.

(4) If within the period prescribed in subsection (1) the Minister does not lodge a copy of the order and the notice of motion as required by that subsection, the order shall ipso facto expire

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Insert the words "or of any deposits made in respect of the tax" immediately after the words "refund of the tax".

Local Authorities  
(Elections) Act,  
1969  
(23 of 1969)

Section  
103(1)

Insert immediately after the word "person" where it last appears, the following words —

"the representative or if he is unwilling or unable to do so the deputy representative of such list or in case of any such unwillingness or inability on the part of the deputy representative, a person designated by a majority of persons named in such list, may nominate a person who is qualified for election as, and is willing to become, a councillor of the council in respect of which the vacancy occurs to fill the vacancy and if no such nomination is made".

Municipal and  
District Councils  
Act, 1969  
(24 of 1969)

Section  
272

Substitute the word "construct" for the word "contract".

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Pensions (President, Parliamentary and Special Offices) Act, 1969 (30 of 1969)

Section 2(1)

Insert immediately after the definition of the word "pension" the following definition —

‘ “President” in relation to any period prior to 23rd February, 1970, includes Governor-General;’.

Interpretation and General Clauses Act (8 of 1970)

Section 4(1)

(a) Insert the following definitions in their appropriate alphabetical order —

‘ “acre” means English acre;

“Chancellor” means Chancellor of the Court of Appeal;

“Chief Justice” means Chief Justice of the High Court;

“District Commissioner” means the commissioner of a district appointed under the District Government Ordinance and every assistant commissioner of a district;

“Georgetown” and “Georgetown City Council” have the respective meanings assigned to these expressions in the Municipal and District Councils Act, 1969;

“New Amsterdam” and “New Amsterdam Town Council” have the respective meanings assigned to these expressions in the Municipal and District Councils Act, 1969;

“public holiday” means public holiday within the meaning of the Public Holiday Ordinance;

“public lands” means all lands vested in the State (whether as State lands or as Government lands) or vested in any person in trust for the State;’

(b) At the end of the definition of “the Constitution” insert immediately before the semi-colon the words “as amended from time to time”.

(c) At the end of the definition of “Service Commission” insert immediately before the semi-colon the words “and in relation to any office, includes any authority having the power to make appointments or to exercise disciplinary control over persons holding or acting in that office”.

(d) At the end of the definition of “Summary Jurisdiction Ordinances” insert immediately before the semi-colon the words “and appeals from decisions of magistrates”.

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- 4(2),
- (a) Insert the following definitions in their appropriate alphabetical order —
    - “repeal” includes rescind, revoke or cancel;
    - “amend” includes add to, partially repeal and partially or completely replace;’.
  - (b) In the definition of “person” insert the words “and, without prejudice to the provisions of section 45, includes the State” immediately after the word “unincorporate;”.
- 4(5) Delete.
- 4(6) Renumber as subsection (5), insert the word “typewriting” immediately before the word “photography”, and insert the following as subsection (6) —
- “(6) In any written law and in any public document, the expression “Commonwealth ship” has the meaning assigned to the expression “British ship” in the law applied to Guyana by the Law of Merchant Shipping Ordinance.”
- 4(7) and (8) Insert the following as subsections (7) and (8) —
- “(7) A power to repeal conferred by any written law includes a power to amend.
- (8) In any written law and in any public document made after 23rd February, 1970, unless the context otherwise requires, a reference to the State, in so far as it relates to any period prior to that date, shall be construed as a reference to the Crown.”
- 5
- (a) Insert the following words immediately before the full stop at the end of paragraph (b) —
    - “and a certificate by the Prime Minister as to the Minister to whom such responsibility has been assigned shall be conclusive for all purposes.”
  - (b) Add the following paragraph —
    - “(c) a reference to “the Ministry” shall be construed as a reference to the Ministry under the administration of the Minister, and a reference to “the Permanent Secretary” shall be construed as a reference to the permanent secretary to the Ministry.”
- 5A ... Insert immediately after section 5 the following section —
- ~~Reference to diplomatic or consular officer.~~ 5A. (1) A reference in any written law to a diplomatic or consular officer or representative of the Government of Guyana in any country shall include a reference to the corresponding diplomatic or consular officer or representative of any State specified for the purposes of this section by the President by notice in the Gazette.
- (2) In any written law the expressions defined in Article 1 of the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations

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- No. 26 of 1970. and Article 1 of the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations as respectively set out in the First and Second Schedules to the Privileges and Immunities (Diplomatic, Consular, and International Organisations) Act, 1970, shall unless the context otherwise requires have the respective meanings assigned to these expressions in the said Articles."
- 6 (a) Insert the words "expressly or impliedly" immediately before the word "authorises".
- (b) Substitute the words "the service may be effected" for the words "shall be deemed to have been effected".
- (c) Insert the words "the service shall be deemed" immediately after the words "is proved".
- (d) Substitute for the proviso, the following proviso —  
"Provided that —
- (a) where the Postmaster General places for delivery —
- (i) the letter; or
- (ii) in the case of a registered letter, a notice that the letter is awaiting delivery.
- in the private letter box of the addressee of the letter, then service of the document shall be deemed to have been effected on the day after the letter or the notice, as the case may be, was placed or would in the ordinary course of post be placed in the letter box;
- (b) when the place to which the letter is addressed is one in which there is no house to house delivery of letters, service shall not be deemed to have been effected unless —
- (i) the letter has been registered, and
- (ii) a notice has been delivered to, or left at the residence of, the person upon whom service is to be effected stating that the letter is at the post office awaiting delivery to him, and
- (iii) a declaration made before a justice of the peace and signed by the person who delivered the notice, stating that he duly delivered it, is produced, or other proof is given of the due delivery thereof."
- 7 Insert immediately after section 7 the following sections as sections 7A and 7B —
- "Affirmation instead of oath. 7A. Anyone who objects to taking an oath required by or under any law and states as the ground of his objection either that he has no religious belief or that the taking of an oath is contrary to his religious belief, or if it is not practicable to administer an oath to such a person as aforesaid in the manner appropriate to his religious belief, he shall be required to make a solemn affirmation in like form as the oath save that for references to the word "swear" there shall be substituted the words "solemnly

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Section	affirm” or other cognate expression and no reference shall be made to the Deity; and the affirmation shall, to all intents and purposes, be of the same force and effect as if he had taken the oath.
15	<p data-bbox="323 407 418 526">Mode of presenting or laying document before National Assembly.</p> <p data-bbox="444 407 1066 516">7B. Where any law requires any document to be presented to or laid before the National Assembly such law shall be construed as requiring such document to be presented to or laid before the Assembly in accordance with the standing Rules and Orders of the Assembly.”</p> <p data-bbox="374 532 1066 699">(a) Delete all the words appearing after the words “not exceeding” in subsection (1) (e) and substitute therefor the following —  “three hundred dollars recoverable on summary conviction and in the case of a continuing offence a further penalty of thirty dollars for each day during which the offence continues”.</p> <p data-bbox="374 716 1066 881">(b) Add the following as subsection (3) —  “(3) The provisions of this section shall, so far as they are applicable, apply to appointments made, to permissions, licences, certificates and other documents issued and to any acts or things done or granted under a power conferred by any written law as they apply to subsidiary legislation.</p>
17(1)	<p data-bbox="257 894 281 917">...</p> <p data-bbox="374 894 1066 964">(a) Substitute the words “subject to negative resolution of the National Assembly” for the words “subject to negative resolution”.</p> <p data-bbox="374 980 1066 1192">(b) Substitute for all the words appearing in the subsection after the word “resolves” the following words —  “(a) that the subsidiary legislation shall annulled, the subsidiary legislation shall be void, as from the date of the resolution;  (b) that the subsidiary legislation shall have effect subject to specified amendments, the subsidiary legislation shall have effect subject to such amendments,  but without prejudice to the validity of anything done under the annulled or amended legislation or to the making of new subsidiary legislation, and the resolution shall be published by the Clerk of the National Assembly as soon as practicable in the Gazette.”</p>
17(2)	<p data-bbox="374 1338 1066 1403">(a) Substitute the words “subject to affirmative resolution of the National Assembly” for the words “subject to affirmative resolution”.</p> <p data-bbox="374 1419 1066 1484">(b) Insert immediately before the full stop the words “and if affirmed shall have effect subject to any amendments that may be embodied in the resolution”.</p>
21	Add the following subsection —

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“(4) Where provision is made by any law for the appointment of a person to perform any function in the public service, then notwithstanding that the law constitutes an office for the purpose, the Minister may, if he is of the opinion that the functions involved do not warrant the constitution of a public office for the purpose, designate the holder of an existing public office to perform those functions.”

- 22 (a) Renumber subsections (2) and (3) as subsections (3) and (4) respectively and insert the following as subsection (2);
- “(2) Where any written law confers any function on a public officer, the Minister responsible for the administration of the Ministry to which the public officer belongs may by order delegate any other officer to exercise that function.”
- (b) Insert the words “public officer includes the President or a Minister and” immediately after the words “In this section” appearing in subsection (3)
- 24 (a) Substitute in subsection (1) a comma for the word “or” appearing before the word “revoke” in paragraph (a) and insert immediately before the words “any person” the words “or grant leave of absence to,”.
- (b) Insert the word “qualified” before the word “person” where it first appears in paragraph (b) of subsection (1).
- (c) Insert immediately after the word “cause” appearing at the end of paragraph (b) in subsection (1) the words “or to appoint a qualified person for the unexpired term of office of any person whose office becomes vacant by reason of resignation, dismissal, death or any other cause”.
- (d) Insert the words “or to some other condition” immediately after the word “person” and the words “or other condition” immediately after the word “consent”, where it last appears in the proviso to subsection (1).
- (e) Substitute in subsection (3) for all the words appearing after the words “a chairman” the words “a vice-chairman and a secretary (which expressions shall be deemed to include respectively a reference to any other expression denoting an office of like functions)”.
- (f) Insert immediately after the word “includes” in subsection (5) the word “corporation”.
- (g) Renumber subsections (4) and (5) as subsections (5) and (6) respectively and insert the following as subsection (4) —
- “(4) At any meeting of a board the chairman shall preside or in his absence, the vice chairman, if any, and if there be no vice-chairman or if he is also absent, the members present may appoint one of their number to act as chairman for that meeting”.

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- (a) Insert the figure “(1)” immediately after the number 25.
- (b) Reletter sub-paragraphs (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), and (v) of paragraph (a) as sub-paragraphs (ii), (iii), (iv), (v) and (vi) respectively and insert the following as sub-paragraph (a)(i)—  
 “(i) perpetual succession;”.
- (c) Substitute for subsection (2) the following subsections —  
 “(2) Service upon a corporation of any notice, order or other document shall be executed by delivering the same to, or by sending it by registered post addressed to, the secretary or the person performing the functions of secretary at the office of the corporation.  
 (3) The application of the seal of the corporation on any document shall be authenticated by the signatures of the chairman or deputy chairman and the secretary of the Corporation or some other person authorised by the Corporation to act in that behalf.”

28A and 28B

Insert the following as sections 28A and 28B

“Functions of Director of Public Prosecutions may be performed by Assistant.”

28A. The provisions of subsection (1) (excluding the words “Subject to subsection (4)” and subsection (2) of section 28 shall apply to the office and the functions of the Director of Public Prosecutions as if all references in that section to the Attorney General were references to the Director of Public Prosecutions and all references to the Solicitor General were references to the Assistant Director of Public Prosecutions.

28B. All the rights, privileges and functions in respect of any criminal cause or matter vested immediately before the 26th May, 1966, in the Attorney General under any written law or the common law or by any custom or practice, shall be deemed as from that date to have become vested in the Director of Public Prosecutions.”

32(1)

- (a) Delete the figure (1) appearing after the number 32.
- (b) Substitute the words “the following provisions shall apply” for the words “or it is otherwise expressly provided”.
- (c) Substitute for paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) the following paragraphs —  
 “(a) in a law prescribing a period of days within which an act is to be or may be done, a period of days from the occurrence of an event shall be reckoned exclusively of the day on which the event occurs;  
 (b) in a law prescribing a period of days for any other purpose a reference to days shall be construed as a reference to clear days.”
- (d) Delete all the words appearing before the words



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“public holiday” where the latter words appear the first time in paragraph (d) and substitute therefor the words “where the day or the last day on which any act or proceeding is directed or allowed to be done or taken is a”.

- (e) Reletter paragraphs (d) and (e) as paragraphs (c) and (d) respectively.

33A

Insert the following as section 33A —

‘Rules as to time or manner of submitting public accounts or issuing licences.

33A. Where in any written law any provision is made as to the time or manner of submitting, publishing, balancing, taking, or making up any public account, or as to the form in which it shall be submitted, published, balanced, taken, or made up, or as to the time or manner of issuing, or of entertaining applications for issuing, any licences required to be taken out thereunder or as to the time of making, or rendering, any returns, abstracts, statements, or reports, then notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any such law the Minister responsible for finance, or in the case of returns, abstracts, statements or reports not relating to the subject of finance, the Minister responsible for the respective subject, may make rules varying or changing the time, manner, or form aforesaid.”

35A

Insert the following as section 35A —

‘‘Liability for offence by corporate body.

35A. Where an offence committed by a body corporate under any written law is proven to have been committed with the consent or connivance of any director, manager, secretary or other similar officer of the body corporate, or any person who was purporting to act in any such capacity, he as well as the body corporate shall be guilty of that offence, and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly.”

37

- (a) Delete the word “written”.
- (b) Renumber as subsection (1) of section 37 and insert immediately thereafter the following subsection —

“(2) In this section a reference to laws includes a reference to the common law.”

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Delete and substitute therefor —

‘‘References to repealed law or to re-enacted law.

43. Where a written law made after 15th July, 1891, repeals or re-enacts with or without modification any provisions of a former written law, then unless the context otherwise requires —

- (a) a reference in any other written law or in any public document to the provisions so repealed shall be construed as a reference to the provisions so re-enacted;
- (b) a reference in any other written law or in



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any public document to the provisions so re-enacted shall, in so far as such reference relates to any period before such repeal and re-enactment, be construed as a reference to the provisions so repealed."

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Repeal and substitute therefor the following section —

"45. Unless it so appears by necessary implication, no written law shall in any manner whatsoever affect the rights of the State, and notwithstanding that the rights of the State are not affected by a written law the State may take advantage of the provisions of that written law".

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- (a) Insert the words "in or" immediately after the word "defined" in subsection (1).
- (b) Insert the words "or public document" immediately after the words "written law" wherever the latter words appear.

51A and 51B

Insert the following as sections 51A and 51B —

"Change of title.

51A. The Minister responsible for the public service may by order declare that a title specified in the order has been substituted for the existing title of any public office or of any Ministry, or any department, division or other section of a Ministry, and thereupon, unless the context otherwise requires, for every reference in any written law or any public or official document to the existing title there shall be substituted a reference to the substituted title.

Ex-officio proceeding not to abate on death, etc.

51B. A civil or criminal proceeding taken under any written law by or against any person in virtue of his office (whether in that person's own name or in the name of his office) shall not be discontinued or abated by his death, resignation, absence or removal from office, but may be carried on by or, as the case may be, against the person for the time being holding that office."

Miscellaneous Sections.

- (a) delete the words "or it is otherwise expressly provided" in section 4(1), (2), (3) and (4), sections 6, 13, 15(2), 41, 43 and 44.
- (a) Delete the words "or it is otherwise expressly provided" in sections 7(1), 15(1) and 50.
- (c) Delete the words "unless it is otherwise expressly provided," in sections 11, 13, 20, 21(1) and (2), 35 and 37.
- (d) Insert the words "unless the context otherwise requires,"
  - (i) in section 18(1), after the word "shall";
  - (ii) in section 18(2), after the word "shall";
  - (iii) in section 18(3), after the word "shall";
  - (iv) in section 24(1), after the words "or deputy shall";
  - (v) in section 24(2), after the word "may";
  - (vi) in section 25(1), after the words "those words shall";
  - (vii) in section 27(2), after the word "may".

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**THIRD SCHEDULE**

Laws repealed by section 17.

Ordinances

1929 Edition  
of the Laws.

- Cap. 21 Probation of Offenders Ordinance.
- Cap. 192 Industrial and Reformatory Schools Ordinance.
- Cap. 276 Georgetown (Vlissengen) Improvement Ordinance.
- Cap. 277 Vlissengen Commission (Dissolution) Ordinance.

1953 Edition  
of the Laws.

- Cap. 6 Mandated and Trust Territories Ordinance.
- Cap. 57 Official Designations Ordinance.
- Cap. 84 Young Offenders Detention Ordinance.
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22 of 1942	Land Partition and Reallotment Ordinance, 1942.
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18 of 1967	Local Government (Christianburg-Wismar-Mackenzie Country District) (Special Provisions) Act, 1967.
4 of 1971	Summary Jurisdiction (Magistrates) (Modification) Act, 1971.

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33 of 1922:

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Rules of the Supreme Court (Appeals),  
1924.

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Proc. 11/1963

Proclamation made under section 123(1)  
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Regulations for the nomination of  
students to the Imperial College,  
Trinidad.

0.21/8/1956	Road Traffic (Waterloo Street) Order, 1956.
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0. 66/1958	Parking Places (Grove) Order, 1958.
0. 16/1959	Road Traffic (Vlissengen Road Area) Order, 1959.
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0. 52/1958	Holidays with Pay (Clerical Employees) Order, 1958.
0. 47/1959	Trade (Control of Prices) Order, 1959.
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#### EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to establish permanent machinery for the establishment and maintenance of a loose-leaf edition of the revised laws of Guyana — to be known as the Laws of Guyana.

Clause 3 sets up a Commission charged with responsibility for the preparation, publication and maintenance of the edition.

Clauses 4, 5 and 6 provide the system for inserting, removing and replacing pages in the Laws of Guyana for the purpose of annually bringing the laws up to date.

Clauses 7 and 8 prescribe the laws which are to be included and those which may be omitted from the edition.

Clauses 9 and 10 lay down that the edition shall be the sole and proper Statute Book of Guyana but that a law will not lose its validity merely by reason of its omission from the edition.

Clause 11 contains the powers of the Commission. These are the usual powers of Law Revision Commissioners and relate to matters of form. Clause 12 expressly states that the provisions of section 11 are not to be construed as conferring power to alter the substance of any law.

However, with respect to the first publication there are certain specific changes of substance which it is necessary to authorise the Commission to make e.g. the transfer of statutory powers from a public officer to another (in particular from “Governor” to “Minister”); the rounding off of sums expressed in sterling or expressed in dollars but based on sterling sums (\$24, \$48 etc.); the increase in fines for criminal offences in accordance with a specified formula. These substantive changes are authorised by clauses 19 and 20 and recognised in clause 12.

Clause 14 provides for the rectification of errors in the edition.

Clause 15 provides, in the interest of convenience and economy, a mode of incorporating amendments in the edition alternative to the system provided by section 5.

Clauses 16 and 17 effect a number of miscellaneous amendments and repeals in the laws of Guyana which are designed to bring the laws into accord with present circumstances but do not fall within the ambit of the Commission’s power.

Clauses 21, 22, 23, 24 give effect to certain validations which, in the course of the revision, have been found to be desirable.

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