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**BRITISH GUIANA RICE PRODUCERS' ASSOCIATION
(SPECIAL PROVISIONS) BILL, 1959.****ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS.**

Section

1. Short title.
2. Definition of "Committee" and "the Council" in Chapter 250 to include Committee and Council provided for herein.
3. Continuation in office of members and office-bearers of a Committee of a District Association.
4. Continuation in office of members and office-bearers of the Council of the Association.
5. Election of members of a Committee and of the Council in 1959 not required.

A BILL

Intituled

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE THAT MEMBERS OF A COMMITTEE OF A DISTRICT ASSOCIATION AND OF THE COUNCIL OF THE BRITISH GUIANA RICE PRODUCERS' ASSOCIATION SHALL CONTINUE IN OFFICE AS SUCH FOR CERTAIN SPECIFIED PERIODS, AND FOR MATTERS CONNECTED THEREWITH.

Enacted by the Legislature of British Guiana :—

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the British Guiana Rice Producers' Association (Special Provisions) Ordinance, 1959, and shall be construed and read with the British Guiana Rice Producers' Association Ordinance, hereinafter referred to as the Principal Ordinance, and any Ordinance amending the same.

Short Title.

Cap. 250.

2. The definition of the word "Committee" in section 2 of the Principal Ordinance shall be deemed to include any Committee for which provision is made in this Ordinance; and the definition of the words "the Council" in the said section shall be deemed to include any Council for which provision is made in this Ordinance.

Definition of "Committee" and "the Council" in Chapter 250 to include Committee and Council provided for herein.

3. Anything contained in the Principal Ordinance or in Regulations made under the Principal Ordinance to the contrary notwithstanding —

Continuation in office of members and office-bearers of a Committee of a District Association.

- (a) the persons who were on the 15th February, 1958, members of a Committee shall continue in office as members of the Committee until the election of another Committee at the annual general meeting of the relative District Association to be held on or before the 15th February, 1960, under the provisions of the British Guiana Rice Producers' Association Regulations, or any Regulations amending the same;
- (b) the members of a Committee who were on the 24th February, 1958, the Chairman, the Vice-Chairman and the Secretary of such Committee shall continue in office as Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Secretary respectively until the election of another Committee as specified in paragraph (a) of this section.

4. Anything contained in the Principal Ordinance or in Regulations made under the Principal Ordinance to the contrary notwithstanding —

Continuation in office of members and office-bearers of the Council of the Association.

- (a) the persons who were on the 14th March, 1957, members of the Council shall continue in office as members of the Council until the election of another Council before the 15th March, 1960, under the provisions of the British Guiana Rice Producers' Association Regulations, or any Regulations amending the same;
- (b) the members of the Council who were on the 28th March, 1957, the President, the Senior Vice-President and the Junior Vice-President of the Council shall continue in office as President, Senior Vice-President and Junior Vice-President respectively until the election of another Council as specified in paragraph (a) of this section.

5. Anything contained in the Principal Ordinance or in Regulations made under the Principal Ordinance to the contrary notwithstanding —

Election of members of a Committee and of the Council in 1959 not required.

- (a) the election of members of a Committee and the election of members of the Council required by the Principal Ordinance

or by Regulations made thereunder to be held during the year 1959 shall not be required to be held and all things required to be done by the said Ordinance or Regulations incidental to the holding of either of such election shall not be required to be done;

- (b) no suit, prosecution or other legal proceeding shall lie against any person for anything done or omitted during the year 1959 in respect of the election of members of a Committee or the election of members of the Council or any matter incidental to either of such election.

OBJECTS AND REASONS

The British Guiana Rice Producers' Association have requested that certain substantial amendments be made to the British Guiana Rice Producers' Association Ordinance and to the Regulations made thereunder, and the Government have agreed to prepare and introduce the necessary legislation.

2. One of the alterations that is envisaged is a modification of the procedure for elections. It is therefore considered desirable that the elections to Committees of District Associations which are due to be held before the 15th February, 1959, should be postponed for a year (with a similar postponement of elections to the Council) until the proposals of the British Guiana Rice Producers' Association have been implemented. This Bill seeks to make provision accordingly.

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