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A BILL

INTITULED

AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL THE UNDESIRABLE PUBLICATIONS (PROHIBITION OF IMPORTATION) ORDINANCE, 1953.

Enacted by the Legislature of British Guiana:—

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Undesirable Publications (Prohibition of Importation) (Repeal) Ordinance, 1953. Short Title.
2. The Undesirable Publications (Prohibition of Importation) Ordinance, 1953, is hereby wholly repealed. No. 4 of  
1953.
3. Any acts declared to be valid by section 7 of the said Undesirable Publications (Prohibition of Importation) Ordinance are now declared never to have been validated.

OBJECTS AND REASONS.

The Undesirable Publications (Prohibition of Importation) Ordinance, 1953, was enacted on the 13th March, 1953. The Ordinance empowered the Governor in Council to prohibit the importation into the Colony of any publication, the importation of which was deemed to be contrary to the public interest. It also declared certain acts done by the Comptroller of Customs between the 1st February, 1952 and the 12th March, 1953, to be valid.

2. It is now considered that this Ordinance should be repealed since it was a denial of a human right.

3. Clause 2 provides for the repeal of the Ordinance.

4. Clause 3 provides that any illegal acts declared valid by the Undesirable Publications (Prohibition of Importation) Ordinance should be held never to have been validated.

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Minister of Education.