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ACT No. 10 of 2012

CIVIL LAW (RIGHTS OF PERSONS IN COMMON LAW UNION) ACT 2012

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Donald Ramotar,
President.

July 20, 2012

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

SECTION

1. Short title.
2. Rights of persons in common law union under intestacy.
3. Amendment of the Family and Dependants Provision Act.

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AN ACT to provide for the rights of persons in a common law union in intestate succession.

A. D. 2012. Enacted by the Parliament of Guyana:-

Short title. 1. This Act may be cited as the Civil Law (Rights of Persons in Common Law Union) Act 2012.

Rights of persons in common law union under intestacy. 2. (1) Where a single woman and a single man have lived together in a common law union for not less than five years immediately preceding the death of either one of them, and the person died intestate, the surviving woman or man shall be entitled to the same power and rights regarding intestate succession as a widow or widower or a surviving wife or husband in the Civil Law of Guyana Act, the Deceased Persons Estates' Administration Act, or under any other law relating to intestate succession.

Cap. 6:01.

Cap. 12:01.

(2) For the purposes of subsection (1), only one such union shall be considered.

Amendment of the Family and Dependants Provision Act. Cap 12:24.

3. Section 2(6)(a) of the Family and Dependants Provision Act is amended by the substitution for the words "seven years" of the words "five years", wherever those words appear.

Passed by the National Assembly on 12th July, 2012.



S.E. Isaacs,

Clerk of the National Assembly.

(BILL No. 10/2012)