



**PROTECTION OF TENANTS
(SPECIAL PROVISIONS) (AMENDMENT)**

LAW, No. 9 OF 1978

OF

THE NATIONAL STATE ASSEMBLY

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A LAW TO AMEND THE PROTECTION OF TENANTS
(SPECIAL PROVISIONS) ACT, NO. 28 OF 1970.

BE it enacted by the National State Assembly of Sri Lanka as follows:—

1. This Law may be cited as the Protection of Short title.
Tenants (Special Provisions) (Amendment) Law,
No. 9 of 1978.

2. The Protection of Tenants (Special Provisions) Continuation
Act, No. 28 of 1970, shall be deemed for all purposes in force of
to have been and to be in operation from and after Act No. 28
November 18, 1977, until the date of commencement of 1970.
of this Law.

3. Section 12 of the Protection of Tenants Amendment of
(Special Provisions) Act, No. 28 of 1970, is hereby section 12 of
amended by the substitution, for the words “ seven Act No. 28 of
years ”, of the words “ thirteen years ”. 1970.

4. Where during the period commencing on the Validation.
18th day of November, 1977, and ending on the date of
commencement of this Law, the Commissioner, on
being notified under paragraph (a) of subsection (2)
of section 5 of the Protection of Tenants (Special
Provisions) Act, No. 28 of 1970, that the tenant or
any person in occupation of any premises has been
ejected therefrom, has made an order refusing to
inquire into the alleged ejection on the ground that
the aforesaid Act was not in force on the date of noti-
fication or the date on which ejection was alleged to
have taken place, the following provisions shall
apply:—

(a) such order shall be deemed to have been and to
be null and void; and

(b) the Commissioner is hereby authorized,
empowered and required and shall have
jurisdiction to entertain, hear and determine
such matter *de novo*.

In this section, “ Commissioner ” has the same
meaning as in the Protection of Tenants (Special
Provisions) Act, No. 28 of 1970.