No. 26 of 1961

REVISED EDITION OF THE LEGISLATIVE ENACTMENTS (SUPPLEMENTS)

An Act to provide for the preparation of Supplements to the Revised Edition of the Legislative Enactments of Ceylon.

[15th May, 1961.]

1. This Act may be cited as the Revised Edition of the Legislative Enactments (Supplements) Act, No. 26 of 1961.

Short title.

2. As soon as possible after the coming into force of the revised edition, Ekanayaka Rajapaksa Kodippili Dissanayaka Mudiyanseralahamillaye Hector Deheragoda, Esquire, Assistant to the Commissioner, shall prepare a supplement, hereinafter referred to as the "first supplement", to that edition.

Preparation of first supplement to the revised edition.

3. As soon as possible after the commencement of every year following the year in which the first supplement to the revised edition comes into force, the Legal Draftsman shall prepare a supplement, hereinafter referred to as an "annual supplement", to that edition.

Preparation of annual supplements to the revised edition.

4. In the preparation of a supplement, the person required to prepare such supplement under section 2 or section 3 shall have, mutatis mutandis, the powers conferred upon the Commissioner by section 3 of the Revised Edition of the Legislative Enactments Act:

Powers vested in the person required to prepare a supplement. Cap. 1.

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Provided that for the dates mentioned in paragraph (12) of the said section 3, the following dates shall be substituted:—

- (a) in the case of the first supplement the thirty-first day of December, 1957;
- (b) in the case of any annual supplement, the thirtyfirst day of December immediately preceding the date of the coming into force of such supplement.

Contents of supplements to the revised edition.

- 5. Each supplement—
- (a) shall be printed in one or more volumes;
- (b) shall supersede all previous supplements to the revised edition; and
- (c) shall, subject to the provisions of section 4, contain,—
 - (i) if such supplement is the first supplement, the Acts enacted during the period commencing on the first day of July, 1956, and ending on the thirty-first day of December, 1957, a table of contents and chronological table of such Acts; or
 - (ii) if such supplement is an annual supplement, the Acts enacted during the period commencing on the said first day of July and ending on the thirty-first day of December immediately preceding the date of the coming into force of such supplement, a table of contents and a chronological table of such Acts; and
 - (iii) such Statutes of the United Kingdom, Orders in Council of the United Kingdom, Royal Proclamations, Letters Patent and Royal Instructions as the person required to prepare such supplement under section 2 or section 3 may think fit to include.

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6. The number and year of each Act contained in any supplement shall be set out at the head thereof, and where such Act incorporates any amendment made by any other Act, the number and year of such Act and such other Act shall be set out in the margin alongside the long title of such Act.

Record of numbers of Acts.

7. The date of enactment of each Act contained in any supplement shall be set out immediately below the long title of such Act, and where such Act is brought into operation on any date subsequent to the date of enactment thereof, the date of operation of such Act shall be set out immediately below the date of enactment of such Act.

Record of date of operation of Acts.

8. (1) The person required by section 2 or section 3 to prepare a supplement shall, as soon as such supplement is completed, transmit a copy thereof to the Minister of Justice for approval.

Bringing into force and validity of supplements.

- (2) The Minister may, by notification published in the Gazette, approve of any supplement and order that such supplement shall come into force on such date as he may specify in the notification.
- (3) On and after the date of the coming into force of the first supplement, such supplement shall, until it is superseded by an annual supplement, be deemed to be and shall be without any question whatsoever in all Courts of Justice and for all purposes whatsoever the sole and only proper Statute Book of Ceylon in respect of the Acts enacted during the period commencing on the first day of July, 1956, and ending on the thirty-first day of December, 1957.
- (4) On and after the date of the coming into force of an annual supplement, such supplement shall, until it is superseded by the next annual supplement, be deemed to be and shall be without any question whatsoever in all Courts of Justice and for all purposes whatsoever the sole and only proper Statute Book of Ceylon in respect of the Acts enacted during the period commencing on the first day of July, 1956, and

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ending on the thirty-first day of December immediately preceding the date of the coming into force of such supplement.

Application of references to supplements.

9. Where in any written law or in any document of whatsoever kind reference is made to any written law affected by or under the operation of this Act, such reference shall where necessary and practicable be deemed to extend and apply to the corresponding written law in the supplement for the time being in force.

Reprints of enactments In revised edition.

10. A copy of any enactment contained in the revised edition, as amended, whether by way of substitution, addition or omission, by any Act passed on or after the first day of July, 1956, may be prepared by the Legal Draftsman; and all copies of such enactment which are printed after the commencement of this Act shall be printed by the Government Printer, as so prepared.

Interpretation.

- 11. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires—
- Cap. 1.
- "Commissioner" means the Commissioner appointed by the Revised Edition of the Legislative Enactments Act, for the purpose of preparing the revised edition;
- "revised edition" means the revised edition of the legislative enactments prepared under the authority of the Revised Edition of the Legislative Enactments Act; and
 - "supplement" means the first supplement, or any annual supplement, to the revised edition prepared under the authority of this Act.