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(AMENDMENT)

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AN ACT TO AMEND THE CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT, No. 1 OF  
1979

BE it enacted by the Parliament of the Democratic  
Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the Consumer Protection Short title.  
(Amendment) Act, No. 34 of 1992.

2. Section 6 of the Consumer Protection Act, No. 1 of Amendment  
1979 (hereinafter referred to as the “principal enact of section 6  
ment”) is hereby amended by the repeal of subsection (4) of Act No. 1  
of that section, and the substitution, of the following of 1979.  
subsection therefor:—

“ (4) Any person who removes, alters, obliterates,  
erases or defaces any label, description or price mark  
on any article or sells, or offers for sale, any article  
from or on which the label, description or price mark  
has been removed, altered, obliterated, erased or  
defaced shall be guilty of an offence under this Act.”.

3. Section 28 of the principal enactment is hereby Amend-  
amended as follows:— ment of  
section 28 of  
the principal  
enactment.

(1) by the repeal of subsection (1) of that section and  
the substitution, of the following subsection  
therefor:—

“ (1) Every person who acts in contravention of  
any of the provisions of this Act or any regulation  
made thereunder shall be guilty of an offence  
under this Act.”.

(2) by the insertion, immediately after subsection (1),  
of the following new subsection:—

“ (1A) (a) Any person guilty of an offence  
under this Act by reason of a contravention of the  
provisions of section 11 or section 12 or section 13  
shall, on conviction before a Magistrate, be liable—

- (i) in the case of a first offence to a fine not less than one thousand rupees and not exceeding three thousand rupees or to imprisonment of either description for a term not exceeding three months or to both such fine and imprisonment; and
- (ii) in the case of a subsequent offence to a fine not less than three thousand rupees and not exceeding seven thousand five hundred rupees and to imprisonment of either description for a term not exceeding six months.

(b) Any person guilty of an offence under this Act, in respect of which no punishment is prescribed by paragraph (a), shall, on conviction before a Magistrate, be liable—

- (i) in the case of a first offence to a fine not exceeding three thousand rupees or to imprisonment of either description for a term not exceeding three months or to both such fine and imprisonment; and
- (ii) in the case of a subsequent offence to a fine not exceeding seven thousand five hundred rupees and to imprisonment of either description for a term not exceeding six months.”.

4. In the event of any inconsistency between the Sinhala and Tamil texts of this Act, the Sinhala text shall prevail.

Sinhala text  
to prevail in  
case of  
inconsistency.