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Houses of Detention (Amendment) Act, No. 26 of 1955

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AN ACT TO AMEND THE HOUSES OF DETENTION
ORDINANCE.

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BE it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent
Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the
Senate and the House of Representatives of Ceylon
in this present Parliament assembled, and by the
authority of the same, as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the Houses of
Detention (Amendment) Act, No. 26 of 1955.

Short title.

2. The following new section is hereby inserted
immediately after section 10 of the Houses of Deten-
tion Ordinance, and shall have effect as section 10A of
that Ordinance:—

Insertion of
new section
10A in
Chapter 27.

" Power to
arrest
persons escaping
from houses
of detention.

10A. (1) An officer appointed for the
purposes of this Ordinance may arrest
without a warrant any person who
escapes from a house of detention in
which he is detained. The provisions of
sections 24, 25 and 27 of the Criminal
Procedure Code shall apply to an arrest
made under the preceding provisions of
this sub-section, although the person
making the arrest is not acting under a
warrant and is not a peace officer having
authority to arrest.

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(2) Where a person is arrested under
the provisions of sub-section (1) of this
section, the officer arresting that person
shall take him back to the house of deten-
tion from which he escaped and, in case
such officer is a person other than the
superintendent of that house, such
officer shall hand him over to the
superintendent."