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AN ACT TO AMEND THE PRISONS 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 Prisons (Amendment) Act, No. 21 of 1958.

Short title.

2. Section 32 of the Prisons Ordinance, hereinafter referred to as the "principal enactment", as amended by Ordinance No. 53 of 1939, is hereby further amended, in paragraph (a) of sub-section (1) of that section, by the substitution, for all the words from "consisting" to the end of that paragraph, of the following:—

Amendment of section 32 of Chapter 44.

- "consisting of seven members, all of whom shall be persons who do not hold any public office under the Crown;".
- 3. Section 33 of the principal enactment, as amended by Ordinance No. 53 of 1939, is hereby further amended as follows:—

Amendment of section 33 of the principal enactment.

- (1) in sub-section (1) of that section—
 - (a) by the re-lettering of paragraphs (a) and (b) of that sub-section as paragraphs (c) and (d) of that subsection;
 - (b) by the insertion, immediately before re-lettered paragraph (c) of that subsection, of the following new paragraphs:—
 - " (a) to hold a meeting of the Board at least once in three months;
 - (b) to elect a Chairman from among the members at the first meeting held after the appointment of the Board;"; and

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 - (2) by the insertion, immediately after subsection (1) of that section, of the following new sub-section:—
 - "(1A) The Chairman of the Board of Prison Visitors shall, unless he earlier resigns the office of such Chairman or ceases to be a member of the Board, hold such office during the term for which he is a member of the Board.".