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AN ACT TO AMEND THE POLICE ORDINANCE

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

1. This Act may be cited as the Police (Amendment) Act, No. 41 of 1984. Short title.

2. Section 77 of the Police Ordinance is hereby amended as follows :— Amendment of
section 77 of
Chapter 53.

(a) by the repeal of subsection (1) and subsection (2) of that section and the substitution therefor, of the following subsections :—

“(1) No procession shall be taken out or held in any public place in any area, unless notice in writing of such procession has, at least six hours before the time of the commencement of such procession, been given to the officer in charge of the police station nearest to the place at which the procession is to commence.”

Provided that nothing in the preceding provisions of this subsection shall apply in the case of any procession of any such description as may be exempted from these provisions by Order made by the Minister and published in the *Gazette*.

(2) Where any procession is taken out or held in contravention of the provisions of subsection (1), every person organizing that procession or doing any act in furtherance of the organization or assembling of that procession and every person taking part in any such procession, shall be guilty of an offence.”;

(b) by the repeal of subsection (5) of that section, and the substitution therefor, of the following subsection :—

“(5) Every person who is guilty of an offence under this section shall be liable, on conviction after summary trial before a Magistrate, to a fine not exceeding one thousand rupees, or to imprisonment of either description for a term not exceeding three years, notwithstanding that such term exceeds the term of imprisonment which a Magistrate may impose in the exercise of his ordinary jurisdiction, or to both such fine and imprisonment.”

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