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An Act to amend the Co-operative Wholesale Establishment Act, No. 47 of 1949.

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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 Co-operative Wholesale Establishment (Amendment) Act, No. 36 of 1955.

Short title.

2. Section 2 of the Co-operative Wholesale Establishment Act, No. 47 of 1949, hereinafter referred to as the "principal Act", is hereby amended in subsection (2) of that section as follows:—

Amendment of section 2 of Act No. 47 of 1949.

- (1) in paragraph (b) of that sub-section, by the substitution, for the words "societies; and", of the word "societies;";
 - (2) in paragraph (c) of that sub-section, by the substitution, for the word "objects.", of the words "objects; and "; and
 - (3) by the insertion, immediately after paragraph (c) of that sub-section, of the following new paragraph:—
 - '(d) to carry on the business of insurance of the lives and properties of the members and employees of co-operative societies.".
- 3. Section 5 of the principal Act is hereby repealed and the following new section substituted therefor:—

Replacement of section 5 of the principal Act.

"Constitution of the Board and appointment of Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Board.

5. (1) The Board shall consist of not more than seven and not less than five members appointed by the Minister of whom three shall be so appointed from among the persons chosen for the purpose by the Co-operative Federation of Ceylon Limited.

(2) The Chairman and the Deputy Chairman of the Board shall be appointed by the Minister from among the members of the Board.".

Amendment of section 6 of the principal Act.

- 4. Section 6 of the principal Act is hereby amended as follows:—
 - (1) in sub-section (1) of that section, by the substitution, for the words "Every member of the Board shall be appointed by the Minister, and", of the words "Every member of the Board"; and
 - (2) in the marginal note to that section, by the substitution, for the words "Appointments, term of office", of the words "Term of office".

Amendment of section 7 of the principal Act.

- 5. Section 7 of the principal Act is hereby amended as follows:—
 - (1) by the substitution, for the words "if such person is found to be unfit or", of the words "if such person"; and
 - (2) by the substitution, for the word "reasonable.", of the words "reasonable, or if the Minister considers that it is expedient to remove such person from office.".

Insertion of new section 14A in the principal Act. 6. The following new section is hereby inserted immediately after section 14, and shall have effect as section 14A, of the principal Act:—

"Power of Board to borrew money. 14A. The Board may from time to time, with the approval of the Minister, borrow such sums of money as may be required for carrying out the objects of the Establishment, and may secure the repayment of any such sum by the mortgage of any property of the Establishment.".

Amendment of section 15 of the principal Act. 7. Section 15 of the principal Act is hereby amended in sub-section (1) of that section as follows:—

- (1) by the substitution, for the expression "section 14,", of the following:—
 - "section 14 and the sums borrowed under section 14A,"; and
- (2) by the substitution, for the words "the Board under this Act.", of the following:—
 - "the Board under this Act, and the principal of, and interest on, any loan obtained by the Board under this Act.".
- 8. Section 21 of the principal Act is hereby amended as follows:—

Amendment of section 21 of the principal Act.

- (1) by the substitution, for the words "the Cooperative Store Societies", of the words "the Co-operative Store Societies and of other Co-operative Societies which transact business with the Establishment"; and
- (2) in the marginal note to that section, by the substitution, for the words "report of members to be laid before the co-operative store societies.", of the words "report of the Board to be laid before meeting of representatives of certain co-operative societies.".
- 9. Section 32 of the principal Act is hereby repealed and the following new section substituted therefor:—

Replacement of section 32 of the principal Act.

- "Minister's
 power to give
 directions to
 the Board,
 and the
 furnishing of
 information
 by the Board
 to the Minister.
- 32. (1) The Minister may give the Board such general or special directions relating to the exercise, performance and discharge of its powers, duties and functions as he may consider necessary in the public interest or in order to ensure the financial stability of the Establishment and the efficient performance of the work of the Board.
- (2) The Board shall furnish the Minister with such information (including returns) relating to the transactions of the Board as the Minister may require."