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**CIVIL PROCEDURE CODE (AMENDMENT)**

**A**

**BILL**

**to amend the Civil Procedure Code ( Chapter 101)**

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*STATEMENT OF LEGAL EFFECT*

*Clause 2* : This clause inserts new section 154A in the Civil Procedure Code (Chapter 101) and the legal effect of the section is to exempt certain documents from formal proof at any proceedings under this Code.

*Civil Procedure Code (Amendment)*

L.D.—O. 58/2021

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CIVIL PROCEDURE CODE (CHAPTER 101)

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

1. This Act may be cited as the Civil Procedure Code (Amendment) Act, No.      of 2022. Short title

5      2. The following new section is hereby inserted immediately after section 154 of the Civil Procedure Code (Chapter 101) and shall have effect as section 154A of that Code:- Insertion of  
new section  
154A into  
Chapter 101

10      “Proof of deed or document unnecessary in certain events      154A. (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of the Evidence Ordinance (Chapter 14), in any proceedings under this Code, it shall not be necessary to adduce formal proof of the execution or genuineness of any deed, or document which is required by law to be attested, other than a will executed under the Wills Ordinance (Chapter 60), and on the face of it purports to have been duly executed, unless—

20      (a) in the pleadings or further pleadings in an action filed under regular procedure in terms of this Code, the execution or genuineness of such deed or document is impeached and raised as an issue; or

25      (b) the court requires such proof:

5                    Provided that, the provisions  
                     of this section shall not be  
                     applicable in an event, a party to  
                     an action seeks to produce any  
                     deed or document not included in  
                     the pleadings of that party at any  
                     proceedings under this Code.

10                    (2) The provisions of subsection (1),  
                     shall *mutatis mutandis* apply in the actions  
                     on summary procedure under this Code.”.

3. 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

