



**PARLIAMENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC
SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF
SRI LANKA**

**HIGH COURT OF THE PROVINCES
(SPECIAL PROVISIONS) (AMENDMENT)**

A

BILL

**to amend the High Court of the Provinces (Special Provisions)
Act, No. 19 of 1990**

*Presented by the Minister of Justice, Prison Affairs and
Constitutional Reforms on 31st of August, 2022*

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STATEMENT OF LEGAL EFFECT

Clause 2 : This clause amends section 5A of the High Court of the Provinces (Special Provisions) Act, No. 19 of 1990, and the legal effect of the amendment is to enable the High Court of the Provinces to hear the appeals from the Small Claims Court.

*High Court of the Provinces
(Special Provisions) (Amendment)*

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AN ACT TO AMEND THE HIGH COURT OF THE PROVINCES
(SPECIAL PROVISIONS) ACT, NO. 19 OF 1990

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

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the High Court of the Provinces (Special Provisions) (Amendment) Act, No. 2022. Short title
and date of
operation

(2) The provisions of this Act shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may appoint by Order published in the *Gazette*.

2. Section 5A of the High Court of the Provinces (Special Provisions) Act, No. 19 of 1990 is hereby amended as follows: - Amendment
of section 5A
of Act,
No. 19 of
1990

(1) in subsection (1) thereof, by the substitution for the words “District Court or a Family Court”, of the words “District Court, Family Court or Small Claims Court” and for the words “ District Court or Family Court”, of the words “of a District Court, of a Family Court or of a Small Claims Court”;

(2) in subsection (2) thereof, by the substitution for the words “of a District Court or a Family Court,”, of the words “of a District Court, of a Family Court or of a Small Claims Court,” wherever they occur in that subsection; and

(3) in the marginal note to that section by the substitution for the words “District Courts and Family Courts.”, of the words “District Courts, Family Courts and Small Claims Courts.”.

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

