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- (1) three other members of whom shall be one of the persons shall be relations concerning one of whose industry.

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- (a) advise the Minister proposed to be
- (b) review the Commission in accordance with this Act and thereon to the
- (c) review the end of the D for permits if any, then
- (d) inform the D within the C and
- (e) advise the Minister be, on any condition that the Minister or

8. (1) Every appointed office for a period of office by death, resign

(2) The Minister so, by Order published any appointed member reason therefor and question in any court

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Acts or proceedings of the Council deemed not to be invalid by reason of any vacancy or defect in the appointment of a member.

Meeting of the Council.

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11. (1) As soon as the Director shall determine that a Coastal Zone and shall prepare a survey. The report

- (a) an inventory of harbours, and located in
- (b) an inventory of Coastal Zone
- (c) an inventory of deposits, both the Coastal
- (d) an inventory of religious sites of value for areas most
- (e) an inventory of the Coastal Zone as fish
- (f) an inventory of special value phenomena, sea erosion subjects ;
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15. No permit shall be issued under this Part unless the project meets the following conditions:

(a) is consistent with the coastal zone management plan and any other relevant plan, or if not, the project satisfies the requirements of the coastal zone management plan;

(b) will not otherwise adversely affect the stability, or the coastal zone management plan, of the Coast.

16. (1) Upon receipt of a permit application, the Director may require the applicant to engage in a development assessment, and the Director may require the applicant to engage in an environmental impact assessment, and the applicant must comply with such requirements, and the applicant must submit such particulars as the Director may require.

(2) The Director may require the applicant to engage in an impact assessment, and the applicant must comply with any such requirements, and the applicant must submit such particulars as the Director may require.

(a) submit a copy of the assessment, and its comments, to the Director;

(b) by notice published in the Gazette, and times and places of publication, for inspection, and to make its comments available to the public.

(3) (a) The Co must submit a copy of the assessment, and its comments, to the Director.

(b) Any member of the date on which the assessment is submitted, under subsection (2) relating to the assessment, in the Gazette make his comments available to the public.

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(2) Where a person in subsection (1) fails to comply with the notice, the Director may, after giving the person a reasonable opportunity to show cause, execute a writ of mandamus to recover the costs of the proceedings.

21. Any person applying for a permit and refusing to issue a permit pursuant to subsection (3) of section 24 of the Act, or of any such permit, or of the conditions attached to such permit or requirement, pursuant to subsection (1) of section 24 of the Act, shall, on the date of the notice in writing, or of the order, at the case may be, of the Minister of the Environment and Conservation. The appeal shall be final.

22. Nothing in the Act shall be construed as requiring the Secretary to designate section 14 for the navigation channels or disposal areas approved by the Secretary.

25. (1) Where the water in the Coastal Zone is being adversely affected by waste or foreign material

(a) if the source of such waste or material is within the Coastal Zone, the local authority, by writing, the Director, to such correct such waste or material, notice or to

(b) if the source of such waste or material is outside the Coastal Zone, the local authority, by writing, the Director, to such correct such waste or material, notice or to

(2) A local authority made by the Director (1) shall take all such steps as may be necessary to such request. If a local authority fails to comply with any such request, the Director may accordingly and upon the application of the local authority take such measures as may be necessary to prevent such intrusion or activity.

26. It shall be lawful for the Director, at any time generally or specially, to require any person to give him a reasonable time to enter the Coastal Zone and then do such things as may be necessary for the purpose of ascertaining whether any person has issued under this Act, or is about to issue, with or of making any use of any land, preliminary or incidental to the discharge of any duty, or for the purpose of enforcing any regulations made thereunder.

27. The Director may, in the exercise of his powers, engage any person engaged in any business or occupation in the Coastal Zone under the

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- (a) fails to comply with the order or demand sent by the authority referred to in subsection (1);
- (b) resists or obstructs the exercise of the powers conferred on the authority referred to in subsection (1) or such officer as may be appointed by the authority referred to in subsection (1);
- (c) fails to comply with any order or demand issued under the provisions of the Act;
- (d) makes any statement which is false or incorrect in any material particular, or furnishes any information which is false or incorrect in any material particular, in any statement or information furnished by him to the authority referred to in subsection (1) or any officer appointed by the authority referred to in subsection (1) or any officer appointed by the authority referred to in subsection (1).

shall be guilty of an offence if, after such conviction, after sum liable to a fine of not more than one hundred rupees and not exceeding imprisonment of not exceeding six months

30. (1) Every person who is liable to pay a fine under this Act, shall, in addition to the fine payable under sections 28 and 29, be liable to pay a further fine of not less than one hundred rupees for every day during which the offence continues after conviction.

(2) This Act shall be numbered in the Ordinance.

31. (1) No person shall erect or construct any hut, shed or other building in the Zone.

(2) The Director or occupier, as the case may be, shall, if the building is a building of some conspicuous part or other building, demolish or remove such part or other building as may specify in the notice.

(3) Any Director may remove any person from the office of Secretary or any other subject of the office of the Secretary on a

(4) When a building is specified in a specified bill, the Director may recover the expenses of the building from the State.

Regulations.

32. (1) Any person who makes, or

(2) Every person who publishes a book on the date of the publication shall be specified

(3) Every person who brings a book to the office of the Director which is a book as from the date of anything on the date on which it shall be published

Savings.

33. (1) Any person prescribed in the Ordinance shall be specified in section (1)

(2) Every regulation made under section 32 of the Lands Ordinance

(3) Every licence issued under section 14 of the Lands Ordinance

34. Nothing in this Act derogating from the powers of the Coastguard over, the Coastal Protection area of sea declared by No. 22 of 1976, to

35. No suit, prosecution or other legal proceedings shall be instituted against an Assistant Director or Deputy Director if he acted in good faith in doing this Act or any regulation

AMENDMENT AND

36. (1) Where a person is exercising or imposing a power or duty—

(a) to grant, in accordance with or other provisions, or to engage in

(b) to formulate a plan for the Zone, any provision in such provision shall require that person or to perform the duties of the Minister in charge

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"material" includes other vegetation

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"Mean Low Water Level" the Mean Sea Level

"scheme of work" in Coastal Zone alteration, development, repair or maintenance, drilling, the rearing or the sowing for the purpose of preventing erosion or encouraging development of

"sea" includes the estuary or any point to which

"straight base line" Proclamation made under Zones Law, No. 28 of 1976, sea of Sri Lanka the limits of such

"territorial sea" means the territorial sea as defined in the Convention of 1976.

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