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# FINANCE LEASING (AMENDMENT)

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# BILL

to amend the Finance Leasing Act, No. 56 of 2000

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## Statement of Legal Effect

Clause 2: This clause amends section 24 of the Finance Leasing Act, No. 56 of 2000 (hereinafter referred to as the "principal enactment"), and the legal effect of the section as amended is to make provisions enabling a lessor to transfer or assign his rights under the lease to any registered establishment without the consent of the lessee.

Clause 3: This clause amends section 26 of the principal enactment, and the legal effect of the section as amended is to make provisions to require the lessor to have validly perfected his rights under the Secured Transactions Act, No. of 2023 if his rights under the principal enactment are to be enforced against a trustee in bankruptcy of the lessee or a creditor of the lessee.

Clause 4: This clause amends section 27 of the principal enactment, and the legal effect of the section as amended is to make provisions recognizing the right of a lessor who has registered his rights under any finance lease under the Secured Transactions Act, No. of 2023, to recover possession of an equipment.

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# AN ACT TO AMEND THE FINANCE LEASING ACT, NO. 56 OF 2000

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 Finance Leasing Short title (Amendment) Act, No. of 2023.

and date of operation

- (2) The provisions of this Act, other than the provisions 5 of this section, shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may appoint by Order published in the Gazette.
- (3) The provisions of this section shall come into operation on the date on which the Bill becomes an Act of 10 Parliament.
- 2. Section 24 of the Finance Leasing Act, No. 56 of 2000 Amendment (in this Act referred to as the "principal enactment") is hereby of section 24 of Act, No. amended in subsection (1) of that section, by the substitution 56 of 2000 for the words "A lessor may, with the written consent of the 15 lessee obtained at the time of entering into the finance lease or thereafter, transfer or assign", of the words "A lessor may transfer or assign".

3. Section 26 of the principal enactment is hereby Amendment amended in subsection (1) of that section, by the substitution of section 26 20 for the words "an attachment in execution of such principal equipment.", of the words and figures "an attachment in enactment execution of such equipment, provided the lessor has validly perfected those rights under the Secured Transactions Act, No. of 2023.".

4. Section 27 of the principal enactment is hereby Amendment amended by the substitution for the words "an equipment of section 27 under this Act or under a provision of a finance lease, may-", principal of the words and figures "an equipment under the Secured enactment <sup>5</sup> Transactions Act, No. of 2023 or where there are no competing claimants, under a provision of a finance lease, may-".

5. In the event of any inconsistency between the Sinhala Sinhala text and Tamil texts of this Act, the Sinhala text shall prevail.

to prevail in case of inconsistency

