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AN ACT TO AMEND THE POLICE ORDINANCE.

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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 Police (Amendment) Act, No. 50 of 1954.

Short title.

2. Section 65, as amended by Ordinance No. 36 of 1945, of the Police Ordinance (hereinafter referred to as the "principal enactment"), is hereby further amended in sub-section (3) of that section, by the substitution, for the words "officer who had seized such animal," of the words "Police Reward Fund,".

Amendment
of section 65
of Chapter 43.

3. Section 72 of the principal enactment is hereby amended by the substitution, for all the words from "final judgment:", to the end of that section, of the words "final judgment."

Amendment
of section
72 of the
principal
enactment.

4. The principal enactment is hereby amended by the insertion immediately after section 72, of the following new sections:—

Insertion
of new
sections 72A
and 72B in
the principal
enactment.

" Court to
direct payment
of share of
fine to
Police Reward
Fund.

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72A. A court, before which an offender is convicted of an offence under any of the Ordinances specified in the Schedule to the Informers Reward Ordinance or under any of the Ordinances to which the provisions of section 2 of the Informers Reward Ordinance have been extended, may, in respect of any fine imposed for such offence, direct that a sum not exceeding one-half of such fine or one-half of such amount as may be actually recovered from such offender, be paid to the Police Reward Fund established under this Ordinance:

Provided, however, that where the court has directed or intends to direct that any other payments be paid out of such fine, the total amount of the payments that the court shall direct to be paid out of such fine shall not exceed the aforesaid sum.

Police
Reward
Fund.

72B. (1) A Fund to be called the Police Reward Fund (hereinafter referred to in this section as "the Fund"), is hereby established.

(2) There shall be paid into the Fund—

(a) all sums directed to be paid thereto by a court or a judge thereof under this Ordinance or under any other written law or by a judge in his discretion;

(b) donations by private individuals to the Fund; and

(c) prescribed payments.

(3) There shall be paid out of the Fund—

(a) all payments given as rewards to such police officers and in accordance with such regulations, as may be prescribed;

(b) the expenses incurred in the administration of the Fund; and

(c) prescribed payments.

(4) The Inspector-General of Police shall be responsible for the administration of the Fund and the accounts of the Fund shall be audited annually by the Auditor-General.

(5) The Minister may make regulations—

(a) regulating the manner in which the Fund is to be administered;

(b) in respect of matters required by this Ordinance to be prescribed; and

(c) in respect of all matters incidental to or connected with the establishment and administration of the Fund.

(6) No regulation made under the preceding provisions of this section shall have effect until that regulation has been approved by the Senate and the House of Representatives.

Every regulation so approved shall be as valid and effectual as if it were herein enacted.”.

5. (1) The general fund for the reward of police officers which is in existence on the day immediately preceding the date of the commencement of this Act shall be the Police Reward Fund established for the purposes of section 72B of the Police Ordinance.

The existing fund deemed to be the Fund under this Ordinance, etc.

(2) Notwithstanding the omission of the proviso to section 72 of the Police Ordinance by section 3 of this Act, every rule made under that proviso and in force on the day immediately preceding the date of the commencement of this Act shall be deemed to be a regulation made under section 72B of the Police Ordinance and accordingly shall continue in force until it is amended or rescinded by regulation made under that section.

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