

BILL No. 5 OF 1958.

ACCIDENTS AND OCCUPATIONAL DISEASES (NOTIFICATION)
(AMENDMENT) BILL, 1958

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS.

Section

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A BILL
Intituled

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ACCIDENTS AND OCCUPATIONAL DISEASES (NOTIFICATION) ORDINANCE, 1955, AND FOR PURPOSES CONNECTED THEREWITH.

Enacted by the Legislature of British Guiana—

Short title

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Accidents and Occupational Diseases (Notification) (Amendment) Ordinance, 1958, and shall be construed and read with the Accidents and Occupational Diseases (Notification) Ordinance, 1955, hereinafter referred to as the Principal Ordinance.

Amendment of section 3 of the Principal Ordinance, 1955

2. Section 2 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended by the insertion after the words "entered into or" in the definition of "worker" of the word "works".

section 2 of the Principal Ordinance.

3. Section 3 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended by the substitution for subsection (6) of the following—

Amendment of section 3 of the Principal Ordinance.

"(6) A register of all accidents to which this section applies shall be kept by the employer in the form prescribed by regulations made under this Ordinance."

4. Section 5 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended —

Amendment of section 5 of the Principal Ordinance.

- (a) by the insertion after the words "Local Sanitary Authority of" in subsection (3) of the words "and, in the case of workers employed in factories, to the examining surgeon for,"; and
- (b) by the insertion after subsection (4) of the following subsection—

"(5) In subsection (3) of this section "factory" has the meaning assigned to it in the Factories Ordinance, and "examining Surgeon" means a registered medical practitioner appointed to be an examining surgeon or a Government Medical Officer deemed to be an examining surgeon under section 12 of the said Ordinance."

Cap. 115.

5. Section 11 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended by renumbering the section as subsection (1) thereof, and by inserting thereafter the following—

Amendment of section 11 of the Principal Ordinance

"(2) The Commissioner may institute or cause to be instituted any prosecution for the purpose of enforcing any of the provisions of this Ordinance and any officer of the Department of Labour may appear as prosecutor for and on behalf of the Commissioner."

6. Section 13 of the Factories Ordinance shall have effect as if for the words "this Ordinance" in paragraph (c) of subsection (2) there were substituted the words "the Accidents and Occupational Diseases (Notification) Ordinance, 1955, or any Ordinance amending or replacing the same".

Amendment of section 13 of the Factories Ordinance. Cap. 115.

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OBJECTS AND REASONS

Clauses 2, 3 and 4 of this Bill seek to make minor amendments to the Accidents and Occupational Diseases (Notification) Ordinance, 1955, so as to clarify the meaning of certain provisions of that Ordinance and, in the case of clause 4, to include therein provision formerly contained in the Factories Ordinance.

2. Clause 5 seeks to confer on the Commissioner of Labour and officers of the Department of Labour powers in relation to prosecutions under the Principal Ordinance similar to those conferred on them by the Labour Ordinance.

3. Clause 6 makes a consequential amendment to section 13 of the Factories Ordinance.

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