Bill No. 27 of 1956.

CRIMINAL LAW (PROCEDURE) (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1956. ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

Section

1 Short title.

2 Amendment of section 30 (1) of Chapter 11.

A BILL

AN ORDINANCE FURTHER TO AMEND THE CRIMINAL LAW (PROCEDURE) ORDINANCE.

Enacted by the Legislature of British Guiana: -

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Criminal Law (Procedure) (Amendment) Ordinance, 1956, and shall be construed and read as one with the Criminal Law (Procedure) Ordinance, hereinafter referred to as the Principal Ordinance and any Ordinance amending the same.

2. Subsection (1) of section 30 of the Principal Ordinance as amended by section 2 of the Criminal Law (Procedure) (Amendment) Ordinance, 1955, is hereby further amended —

(a) by the deletion from paragraph (a) thereof -

(i) of the words "in the case of each panel" appearing in the fifth line; and

(ii) of the last sentence thereof;

(b) by the deletion of the words "or panels" appearing in the third and seventh lines of paragraph (iii) of the proviso thereto.

OBJECTS AND REASONS

Section 30 of the Criminal Law (Procedure) Ordinance (Cap. 11) makes provision for the selection of panels of jurors (the number of jurors in each panel not to exceed thirty), and for the selection of two panels for the county of Demerara. Owing to the growing list of cases at the Demerara Assizes, it is considered desirable to remove the restriction on the number of panels. This bill seeks to achieve that object.

C. WYLIE. Attorney General. Short title.

Cap. 11.

Amendment of section 30 (1) of Cap 11 No 14 of 1955.

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