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DRAFT ORDINANCE.

MINUTE.

The following Draft of a proposed Ordinance is published for general information :—

An Ordinance to amend “ The Former Enemy Aliens Ordinance, No. 19 of 1919.”

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend “ The Former Enemy Aliens Ordinance, No. 19 of 1919 ” : Be it therefore enacted by the Governor of Ceylon, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows :

Short title.

1 This Ordinance may be cited as “ The Former Enemy Aliens (Amendment) Ordinance, No. of 1920.”

Repeal of section 6 of principal Ordinance.

2 Section 6 of the principal Ordinance is hereby struck out and the following section shall be inserted in lieu thereof :

6. (1) Any former enemy alien who lands or attempts to land in the Colony in contravention of the provisions of this Ordinance, or whose permission to land is cancelled, may, without prejudice to any other liability imposed by this Ordinance, be ordered by the Governor, in his absolute discretion, to quit the Colony within a time to be named in such order, and if such former enemy alien refuses or neglects to obey such order, the Governor may cause him to be arrested with a view to his removal from the Colony, and for that purpose to be detained in custody and to be placed on board any ship or boat.

(2) No court of law shall have any jurisdiction to question the exercise of any such discretion on any grounds whatsoever.

By His Excellency's command,

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, February 14, 1920.

GRAEME THOMSON,
Colonial Secretary.

Statement of Objects and Reasons.

SECTION 6 (1) (b) of Ordinance No. 19 of 1919 allowed of persons, who by reason of their parentage or former enemy alien associations should, in the opinion of the Governor, be dealt with as former enemy aliens, being ordered to quit the Colony. But the Secretary of State has pointed out that this provision goes beyond the policy on this subject, which has, after careful consideration, been adopted by the Imperial Government ; and this Bill proposes to repeal such provision.

Attorney-General's Chambers,
Colombo, January 19, 1920.

H. C. GOLLAN,
Attorney-General.