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MINUTE.

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

An Ordinance to amend the Rabies Ordinance, 1893.

BE it enacted by the Governor of Ceylon, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows :—

No. 7 of 1893,
II. 227.

1 This Ordinance may be cited as the Rabies Amendment Ordinance, 1929.

Short title.

Insertion of new section in the principal Ordinance.

Destruction of dogs on proclamation by local authority.

2 The following section is hereby inserted in the principal Ordinance immediately after section 10 thereof :—

10 A (1) Notwithstanding any of the provisions of this Ordinance, where a local authority within the meaning of section 3 (a), (b), or (c) is satisfied that rabies exists, or that there is a danger of rabies, within the limits of his jurisdiction, he shall by written notice to be posted in prominent places within the jurisdiction, and by beat of tom-tom, and by such other means as he shall deem expedient, proclaim the area comprised within the said limits, or any part thereof including one or more villages or estates only, as an area within which rabies exists or within which there is a danger of rabies, as the case may be.

(2) Any dog found in any public place or road within any area or part thereof so proclaimed, and not being tied up or led shall be liable to be destroyed forthwith by any person authorized in writing, either generally or specially, by the local authority for that purpose, and the expenses of any such destruction in areas outside the limits of a Municipality, Urban District Council, or Local Board shall be paid from general revenue.

(3) Any such proclamation shall take effect on being proclaimed as provided by sub-section (1), and shall be published in a subsequent issue of the Government Gazette.

(4) Any such proclamation shall expire at the end of six months from the date thereof, but without prejudice to the power of the local authority to issue another proclamation under this section.

By His Excellency's command,

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, March 4, 1929.

F. G. TYRRELL,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Objects and Reasons.

THE object of this Bill is to enable a local authority to proclaim the existence or the danger of rabies within his jurisdiction or within any part of his jurisdiction. The proclamation is required to be posted up in prominent places and to be published by beat of tom-tom and by such other means as the local authority may deem expedient.

The Bill provides that all dogs which are found in a public road or place in any proclaimed area not being tied up or led shall be liable to be destroyed by persons authorized by the local authority. The expenses of destruction in areas outside the limits of Municipalities, Urban District Councils, and Local Boards will be paid from general revenue. A proclamation will come into effect at once, but is required to be published in the Government Gazette subsequently. It will remain in force only for a period of six months, but a further proclamation may be issued at the end of that time.

Attorney-General's Chambers,
Colombo, March 4, 1929.

L. H. ELPHINSTONE,
Attorney-General.