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

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**An Ordinance to amend the Currency Ordinance,
No. 21 of 1941.**

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

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Currency Amendment Ordinance, No. of 1945.

Short title.

2. Section 23 of the Currency Ordinance, No. 21 of 1941, is hereby amended in sub-section (6) thereof, by the substitution in paragraph (a) (i) of that sub-section, for the words "ten per centum of the Security Fund", of the words "twenty million rupees".

Amendment of
section 23
of Ordinance
No. 21 of 1941.

Objects and Reasons.

Sub-section (6) of section 23 of the Currency Ordinance, No. 21 of 1941, which authorises the Crown Agents and the Reserve Bank of India to invest the Security Fund in Government or approved securities, provides that the amount invested in securities issued by the Government of Ceylon under the War Loan Ordinance, No. 1 of 1941, shall not at any time exceed ten per centum of the Security Fund. A strict observance of the maximum limit of ten per centum might cause inconvenience in the event of a sharp contraction in the amount of currency issued and the consequent necessity of a sale of Ceylon War Loan to keep within the limit of ten per centum. In order to meet that difficulty, it is proposed in this Bill to amend sub-section (6) by substituting for the limit of ten per centum of the Security Fund a fixed limit of twenty million rupees.

Financial Secretary's Office, O. E. GOONETILLEKE,
Colombo, May 21, 1945. Acting Financial Secretary.