



TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

No. 49—1952

[L.S.]

I ASSENT,

H. E. RANCE,
Governor.

14th November, 1952.

AN ORDINANCE to amend the Trinidad and Tobago
Electricity Commission Ordinance, 1945, No. 42 of 1945.

[27th November, 1952.]

Commence-
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ENACTED by the Governor of Trinidad and Tobago with the
advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof.

Enactment

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Trinidad and Tobago
Electricity Commission (Amendment No. 2) Ordinance, 1952,
and shall be read as one with the Trinidad and Tobago
Electricity Commission Ordinance, 1945, hereinafter referred
to as the Principal Ordinance.

Short title

No. 42 of 1945

Section 62 of
Principal
Ordinance
repealed and
replaced.

2. Section 62 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby repealed and replaced as follows:—

“Penalties
in respect of
other wrongful
acts.

62. Any person who wilfully, fraudulently or by culpable negligence injures or permits to be injured any works of the Commission, or alters the index of any meter for ascertaining the consumption of energy, or prevents or does or permits to be done any act or thing which is calculated to prevent any such meter from duly registering the consumption of energy or fraudulently abstracts, consumes or uses the electrical energy of the Commission, shall (without prejudice to any right or remedy for the protection of the Commission or the punishment of the offender) for every such offence forfeit and pay to the Commission a sum not exceeding two hundred and forty dollars, and the Commission may in addition thereto recover the amount of any damage sustained by them; and in any case in which any person has wilfully and fraudulently injured or permitted to be injured any works of the Commission or altered the index of any meter for ascertaining the consumption of energy or prevented, or done or permitted to be done any act or thing which is calculated to prevent any such meter from duly registering the consumption of energy, the Commission may also, until the matter complained of has been remedied but no longer, discontinue the supply of electrical energy to the person offending (notwithstanding any contract previously existing); and the existence of artificial or unlawful means for causing such alteration or prevention (when such meter is under the custody of the consumer) or for abstracting, consuming or using the electrical energy of the Commission, shall be *prima facie* evidence that such alteration, prevention, act or thing calculated to prevent, abstraction, or consumption, as the case may be, has been fraudulently, knowingly and wilfully caused or permitted by the consumer. The amount of any forfeit or damage to which the Commission is entitled under this section may be recovered summarily by them as a civil debt”.

Passed in Council this thirty-first day of October, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-two.

G. E. L. LAFOREST

Clerk of the Council.