

Fourth Session First Parliament Republic of Trinidad  
and Tobago

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REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

**Act No. 31 of 1980**

[L.S.]

AN ACT to re-enact and bring into operation certain Ordinances and to validate things done under such Ordinances and for matters incidental thereto.

*[Assented to 4th July, 1980]*

WHEREAS it is enacted *inter alia* by subsection (1) of section 13 of the Constitution that an Act of Parliament to which that section applies may expressly declare that it shall have effect even though inconsistent with sections

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4 and 5 of the Constitution and, if any such Act does so declare, it shall have effect accordingly:

And whereas it is provided by subsection (2) of the said section 13 of the Constitution that an Act of Parliament to which that section applies is one the Bill for which has been passed by both Houses of Parliament and at the final vote thereon in each House has been supported by the votes of not less than three-fifths of all the members of that House:

And whereas it is necessary and expedient that the provisions of this Act shall have effect even though inconsistent with sections 4 and 5 of the Constitution:

**Enactment**

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED by the Parliament of Trinidad and Tobago as follows:—

**Short title**

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the Scheduled Ordinances (Re-enactment, Commencement and Validation) Act, 1980.

**Act at variance with Ch. 1 of the Constitution.**

(2) This Act shall have effect even though inconsistent with sections 4 and 5 of the Constitution.

**Interpretation**

2. In this Act “scheduled ordinances” means the Ordinances set out in the First Column of the Schedule.

**Re-enactment and commencement of scheduled ordinances**

3. (1) For the avoidance of doubt it is hereby declared that subject to subsection (2) each of the scheduled ordinances is re-enacted and deemed to have come into operation on the date specified in the Second Column of the Schedule in relation to that Ordinance.

(2) The Hansen’s Disease Control Ordinance, 1961 is deemed to have continued in operation until 30th December, 1979.

**Validation and indemnity**

4. All things done under and in pursuance of any scheduled ordinance are declared to have been lawfully and validly done and no action or other legal proceedings whether pending or not shall lie against the state or any other person in respect or in consequence of things done under and in pursuance of any scheduled ordinance, by reason only that at the material time that scheduled ordinance may not have been in operation.

5. The scheduled ordinances shall be construed up to and including 31st July, 1976 with such amendments and modifications as are necessary to bring them into conformity with the Trinidad and Tobago Constitution set out in the Second Schedule to the Trinidad and Tobago (Constitution) Order-in-Council, 1962 and thereafter with the Constitution.

SCHEDULE

| <i>First Column</i>  | <i>Second Column</i> |
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| Railway (Amendment) Ordinance, 1955                          | 1st October, 1962    |
| Conservation of Wild Life Ordinance,<br>1958 ... ..          | 15th March, 1963     |
| Food and Drugs Ordinance, 1960 ...                           | 1st January, 1965    |
| Town and Country Planning Ordinance,<br>1960 ... ..          | 1st August, 1969     |
| Private Hospitals Ordinance, 1960 ...                        | 1st January, 1965    |
| Cocoa and Coffee Industry Ordinance,<br>1961 ... ..          | 5th November, 1962   |
| Muslim Marriage and Divorce Ordinance,<br>1961 ... ..        | 1st December, 1964   |
| Central Tenders Board Ordinance, 1961                        | 1st January, 1965    |
| Hansen's Disease Control Ordinance,<br>1961 ... ..           | 1st January, 1965    |
| Tuberculosis Control Ordinance, 1961 ...                     | 1st January, 1965    |
| Narcotic Control Ordinance, 1961 ...                         | 1st January, 1965    |
| Agricultural Small Holdings Tenure<br>Ordinance, 1961 ... .. | 1st March, 1966.     |

Passed in the Senate this 1st day of July, 1980.

E. WILLIAMS  
*Acting Clerk of the Senate*

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that this Act is one the Bill for which has been passed by the Senate and at the final vote thereon in the Senate has been supported by the

votes of not less than three-fifths of all the Members of the Senate, that is to say the votes of 21 Senators.

E. WILLIAMS  
*Acting Clerk of the Senate*

Passed in the House of Representatives this 2nd day of July, 1980.

J. E. CARTER  
*Clerk of the House*

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that this Act is one the Bill for which has been passed by the House of Representatives and at the final vote thereon in the House has been supported by the votes of not less than three-fifths of all the members of the House, that is to say the votes of 23 members of the House.

J. E. CARTER  
*Clerk of the House*