

## TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO.

No. 22—1931.

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[L.S.]

A. C. HOLLIS

*Governor.*

9th June, 1931.

AN ORDINANCE to amend the Cinematograph Ordinance,  
Cap. 253.

[9th June, 1931.]

**B**E it enacted by the Governor of Trinidad and Tobago with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof as follows :—

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Cinematograph Short title (Amendment) Ordinance, 1931, and shall be read as one Construction. with the Cinematograph Ordinance, Cap. 253, hereinafter called the Principal Ordinance.

2. The following section shall be inserted in the Addition of new section. Principal Ordinance as section 1A :—

1A. In this Ordinance—

“Cinematograph film” or “film” includes Interpreta- tion.  
Phono-film;

“Poster” includes illustrated pamphlets, photographs and pictures.

Amendment of  
s. 5 of Cap. 253.

3. Section 5 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby repealed, and in lieu thereof shall be read the following:—

Films and  
posters to be  
censored.

5. It shall not be lawful to exhibit any cinematograph film or to exhibit, display, publish or distribute any poster advertising any film or cinematograph exhibition unless such film or poster has been approved in the manner hereinafter provided.

Amendment  
of ss. 7 and 8  
of Cap. 253.

4. Sections 7 and 8 of the Principal Ordinance are hereby repealed, and in lieu thereof shall be read the following:—

Duties of  
Censor.

7.—(1) It shall be the duty of a Censor to examine every cinematograph film and every poster advertising a film or a cinematograph exhibition submitted to him for approval.

(2) Such approval shall not be given in the case of any film or any poster which, in the opinion of the Censor, depicts any matter that is against public order and decency, or the exhibition of which for any other reason is in the opinion of the Censor undesirable in the public interest.

(3) As regards a film, such approval may be given generally or on condition that any portion of a film shall be omitted, or may be given subject to a condition that the film or portion of the film shall be exhibited only to persons of a specified age or sex or only at certain times.

(4) Such approval shall be signified by a certificate in the prescribed form. Such certificate may at any time be cancelled by notice in writing.

(5) A film to which any matter has been added after it has been approved by a Censor shall be again submitted for approval, and until it has been again approved shall be deemed not to have been approved.

Appeal.

8. The importer or exhibitor of a film who is aggrieved by any decision under the last preceding section shall have a right of appeal to such person or persons as may be appointed from time to time by the Governor.

5. Section 10 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended by inserting after the word "film" in the first line of sub-sections (1) and (2) the words "or any portion of a film".

Amendment  
of s. 10 of  
Cap. 253.

Passed in Council this twenty-second day of May, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one.

J. O'CONNOR,  
*for Clerk of the Council.*