

No. 18 OF 1937.

A LAW TO AMEND THE VILLAGE AUTHORITIES LAWS,
1931 TO 1937.

H. R. PALMER,]

[29th June, 1937.

Governor.

BE it enacted :—

Short title.

19 of 1931.
28 of 1933.
8 of 1935.
34 of 1935.
12 of 1937.

1. This Law may be cited as the Village Authorities (Amendment No. 2) Law, 1937, and shall be read as one with the Village Authorities Laws, 1931 to 1937, (hereinafter called "the Principal Law"), and the Principal Law and this Law may together be cited as the Village Authorities Laws, 1931 to (No. 2) 1937.

Amendment
of section
5 (c) of the
Principal
Law.

2.—(1) Section 5 of the Principal Law is hereby amended by the deletion of the words "or administrative" from paragraph (c) thereof.

(2) This section shall be deemed to have had effect as from the 1st day of January, 1937.

No. 19 OF 1937.

A LAW FURTHER TO AMEND THE LAW RELATING TO THE
PUBLIC OFFICERS' GUARANTEE FUND.

H. R. PALMER,]

[8th July, 1937.

Governor.

BE it enacted :—

Short title.

3 of 1896
17 of 1927
3 of 1930
16 of 1933.

1. This Law may be cited as the Public Officers' Guarantee Fund (Amendment) Law, 1937, and shall be read as one with the Public Officers' Guarantee Fund Laws, 1896 to 1933, (hereinafter called "the Principal Law"), and the Principal Law and this Law may together be cited as the Public Officers' Guarantee Fund Laws, 1896 to 1937.

Amendment
of section 17
of Law 3 of
1896.

2. Section 17 of the Principal Law is hereby amended by the deletion of the words from "but if the appointment" to the end of the section.

Insertion of
new section
in Law 3 of
1896.

3. The following shall be inserted as section 19 in the Principal Law :—

" Person
acting
deemed to be
officer who
has furnished
security.

19. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Law, where any person is acting in an office he shall be deemed to be an officer who has furnished security in respect of the amount for

which the holder thereof is required to give security, but such person shall not be required to pay any contributions to the fund in respect of the office in which he is acting :

Provided that he shall continue to pay contributions in respect of his substantive office, if any."

4. Section 23 of the Principal Law is hereby repealed and the following section substituted therefor :—

" Provision where officer is in default.

23.—(1) For the purposes of this Law an officer shall be deemed to be in default if by reason of his dishonesty, negligence or culpable breach of duty he fails duly to collect, account for or deliver to the person duly authorized or entitled to receive the same, any property or moneys which ought to be so collected, accounted for or delivered.

(2) Where any officer is in default the sum of money due or the value of the property involved shall be certified by the Treasurer. A certificate, signed by the Treasurer, stating that the amount specified therein is due to the Government by any officer named therein shall, without proof of the signature or any other matter or thing therein contained, be deemed *prima facie* evidence in all Courts and for all purposes that the amount so specified is due to the Government by that officer."

5. Sections 30 and 31 of the Principal Law are hereby repealed without prejudice to anything done or any contributions made thereunder.

6. Section 36 of the Principal Law is hereby amended by the insertion of the following proviso at the end thereof :—

" Provided that where a reduction in the amount of security to be given by an officer is approved by the Governor under section 11, the Directors shall, after deducting the proper proportion of any liabilities of the fund incurred up to and including the day preceding that on which such reduction takes effect, refund to the officer, whose security has been reduced, such proportion of the amount appearing in the books of the fund to his credit on the day preceding that on which the reduction takes effect as the amount of reduction in the security bears to the amount of the security before the reduction."

Repeal of section 23 of Law 3 of 1896 and substitution of new section.

Repeal of sections 30 and 31 of Law 3 of 1896.

Amendment of section 36 of Law 3 of 1896.