

## CHILD WELFARE.

### No. 14 of 1962.

#### An Ordinance to amend the *Child Welfare Ordinance* 1957.

Short title  
and citation.

1.—(1.) This Ordinance may be cited as the *Child Welfare Ordinance* 1962.\*

(2.) The *Child Welfare Ordinance* 1957† is in this Ordinance referred to as the Principal Ordinance.

(3.) The Principal Ordinance, as amended by this Ordinance, may be cited as the *Child Welfare Ordinance* 1957-1962.

Parts.

2. Section four of the Principal Ordinance is amended by inserting after the words—

“ Part XI.—Employment of Children (Sections 87-93).”

the words—

“ Part XIA.—Employment of Newspaper Boys (Sections 93A-93D).”.

Definitions.

3. Section five of the Principal Ordinance is amended—

(a) by omitting the definition of “the Agreement” and inserting in its stead the following definition:—

“ ‘the Agreement’ means the Agreement a copy of which is set out in the First Schedule to the *Child Welfare Agreement Ordinance* 1941-1962;”;  
and

(b) by inserting after the definition of “the school leaving age” the following definition:—

“ ‘the Supplemental Agreement’ means the Supplemental Agreement a copy of which is set out in the Second Schedule to the *Child Welfare Agreement Ordinance* 1941-1962;”.

Committal  
of child  
to State  
institution.

4. Section seventy-four of the Principal Ordinance is amended by omitting the words “the Agreement is” and inserting in their stead the words “the Agreement and the Supplemental Agreement are”.

\* Made on 15th November, 1962; notified in the *Commonwealth Gazette* and commenced on 26th November, 1962.

† Ordinance No. 17 of 1957.

5. Section eighty-seven of the Principal Ordinance is amended— Interpretation.

(a) by omitting from sub-section (2.) the word “newspapers,”; and

(b) by adding at the end thereof the following sub-section:—

“(3.) This Part does not apply to the employment of children selling, delivering or distributing newspapers subject to and in accordance with the requirements of Part XIA. of this Ordinance.”.

6. After Part XI. of the Principal Ordinance the following Part is inserted:—

“PART XIA.—EMPLOYMENT OF NEWSPAPER BOYS.

“93A.—(1.) In this Part—

Interpretation.

‘newspaper’ has the same meaning as in the *Printing and Newspaper Ordinance 1961* and includes a book, booklet, journal, magazine, programme, sporting paper or other periodical whether for sale or gratuitous distribution;

‘sell’ includes offer to sell.

“(2.) For the purposes of this Part, a child who assists in the sale, delivery or distribution of newspapers shall be deemed to be employed whether or not he receives a reward for his labour.

“93B. A person shall not employ a child to sell, deliver or distribute newspapers otherwise than in accordance with the provisions of this Part.

Employment of child contrary to section 93C.

“93C.—(1.) Subject to this section, a person may employ boys to sell, deliver or distribute newspapers if he has first given notice in writing to the Director that he intends to employ boys in the sale, delivery or distribution of newspapers.

Minister may impose conditions for the employment of newspaper boys.

“(2.) A person shall not employ a boy in the sale, delivery or distribution of newspapers unless—

(a) he has given the notice referred to in the last preceding sub-section;

(b) each of the parents of the boy or, if there is only one parent of the boy, that parent has consented to the employment or, if for any reason, the consent of one or both parents cannot be obtained, the Director has consented to the employment;

- (c) the boy has attained the age of twelve years; and
- (d) the person has made proper provision to safeguard the health and welfare of the boy.

“(3.) The Director shall not give his consent for the purposes of paragraph (b) of the last preceding sub-section in a case where one of the parents of the boy has refused to give his consent.

“(4.) The Minister may, if he is satisfied that it is necessary so to do to safeguard the health and welfare of boys employed by a person in the sale, delivery or distribution of newspapers, by notice in writing given to that person require that person to comply with such requirements as the Minister considers necessary for that purpose and as are specified in the notice.

“(5.) A person to whom a notice is given under the last preceding sub-section and who contravenes or fails to comply with a direction specified in the notice is guilty of an offence and, on conviction, is liable to a penalty not exceeding the penalty to which a person who is guilty of an offence against a provision of this Ordinance is, under section ninety-four of this Ordinance liable.

Minister may  
investigate  
conditions of  
employment.

“93D.—(1.) The Minister may appoint an officer to investigate all matters arising under the last preceding section.

“(2.) The officer referred to in the last preceding sub-section may enter and inspect any premises to ascertain whether a child is being employed in contravention of the provisions of this Part.”.