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(AMENDMENT) ACT, No. 2 OF 2001**

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L.D.—O. 55/99.

AN ACT TO AMEND THE WIDOWERS' AND ORPHANS' PENSION
ACT, No. 24 OF 1983

Be it enacted by the Parliament of the Democratic Socialist
Republic of Sri Lanka as follows :—

1. This Act may be cited as the Widowers' and Orphans'
Pension (Amendment) Act, No. 2 of 2001.

Short title.

2. Section 3 of the Widowers' and Orphans' Pension Act,
No. 24 of 1983, as last amended by Act No. 16 of 1997, is
hereby further amended by the repeal of subsection (6) of
that section, and the substitution therefor, of the following
subsection :—

Amendment of
section 3 of Act
No. 24 of 1983.

“(6) (a) An officer holding office on the appointed
date may, before such date as may be appointed, for the
purposes of this subsection, by the Minister, from time to
time, by Notice published in the Gazette, elect to be a
contributor to the Pension Scheme. Where any such officer
has died prior to the coming into force of this subsection
or dies before the date appointed for the purposes of this
subsection without making an election as aforesaid, she
shall, if she leaves a husband or child or a husband and
child or a husband and children, be deemed to have elected
to be a contributor to the Pension Scheme ;

(b) any person who elects to become a contributor under
this subsection or in the case of a person who is deemed to
have elected to become a contributor to the Pension Scheme
under this subsection, the person administering the estate of
such deceased person, shall pay to the Pension Scheme in
such instalments as may be determined by the Minister by
notice published in the Gazette, all arrears of contributions
for the period commencing from the appointed date until the
date of election, retirement or death, as the case may be, with
compound interest thereon at the rate of four *per centum* per
annum ;

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(c) Where a contributor or the person administering the estate of a deceased contributor is unable to pay the arrears of contribution, such arrears shall be recovered from the pension payable to the Widower or Orphans of such contributor, in such instalments as may be determined by the Director.”.

Sinhala text to prevail in case of any inconsistency.

3. In the event of any inconsistency between the Sinhala and Tamil texts of this Act, the Sinhala text shall prevail.