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AN ACT TO AMEND THE PARLIAMENTARY PENSIONS LAW,
No. 1 OF 1977.

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

1. This Act may be cited as the Parliamentary Pensions (Amendment) Act, No. 33 of 1985.

Short title.

2. Section 4 of the Parliamentary Pensions Law, No. 1 of 1977 (hereinafter referred to as the "principal enactment") is hereby amended as follows:—

Amendment of section 4 of Law No. 1 of 1977.

(a) by the re-numbering of that section as subsection (1) of that section; and

(b) by the addition, immediately after the re-numbered subsection (1) of that section, of the following new subsection:—

" (2) Any person who, during his period of service as a Member of the Legislature, has held any office set out in the Schedule to this Act for a minimum period of five years in the aggregate, shall be entitled to monthly payment of a pension amounting to one-third of the basic salary currently payable to the holder of such office, and maximum of two-thirds of such basic salary if he has held such office for an aggregate period of fifteen years or more :

Provided that any person who, during his period of service as a Member of the Legislature has held any office set out in the Schedule to this Act for a period of more than five years but less than fifteen years shall receive a monthly proportionate pension determined in accordance with a table of payments prepared by the Speaker with the concurrence of the Minister in charge of the subject of Finance."

3. Section 6 of the principal enactment is hereby amended by the substitution, for the words "under this Law", of the words "under this Law, not being a person who is in receipt of such pension by virtue of her being the widow of a Member of the Legislature".

Amendment of section 6 of the principal enactment.

Amendment
of section 7B
of the
principal
enactment.

4. Section 7B of the principal enactment is hereby amended as follows:—

(a) by the substitution in subsection (2) of that section, for the words "Where a person", of the words and figures "Subject to subsections (3) and (4), where a person" ; and

(b) by the addition, immediately after subsection (2), of the following subsections:—

(3) Every person who is entitled, on the day on which this subsection comes into force, to the payment of a pension under subsection (1) and subsection (2) of section 4, shall elect the pension which shall be paid to him within three months of the date on which this subsection comes into force and inform the Secretary-General of Parliament of such election.

(4) Every person who becomes entitled, after the coming into force of this subsection, to the payment of a pension under subsection (1) and subsection (2) of section 4 shall elect the pension which shall be paid to him within three months of his becoming entitled to the payment of pensions under both those subsections and inform the Secretary-General of Parliament of such election.

(5) Every election made under subsection (3) or subsection (4) shall be final, except in the case of a Member of the Legislature who after having made an election under either of those subsections becomes entitled to the payment of a pension calculated at a higher rate by virtue of his becoming the holder of an office set out in the Schedule to this Act after the date of his making such election.

5. The following new section is hereby inserted immediately after section 7B and shall have effect as section 7C of the principal enactment:—

"Pension to include allowances currently paid to public officers on their pensions. 7C. Any person entitled to the payment of a pension under this Law shall, in addition to such pension, be also entitled to the payment of all such allowances as are currently paid to public officers on their pensions."

Insertion
of new
section 7C
in the
principal
enactment.

6. The principal enactment is hereby amended by the addition at the end thereof, of the following Schedule:—

Insertion
of new
Schedule
in the
principal
enactment.

“Schedule

[Section 4(2)]

Prime Minister ;

Speaker ;

Minister of the Cabinet of Ministers ;

Leader of the Opposition ;

Minister appointed under Article 45 of the Constitution ;

Deputy Minister ;

Deputy Speaker and Chairman of Committees ;

Deputy Chairman of Committees”.