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(SPECIAL PROVISIONS)
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AN ACT TO REMOVE THE CEILING ON HOUSING PROPERTY ; AND
TO PROVIDE FOR MATTERS CONNECTED THEREWITH OR
INCIDENTAL THERETO.

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

1. This Act may be cited as the Ceiling on Housing Property (Special Provisions) Act, No. 4 of 1988.

Short title.

2. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in section 2 or any other provision of the Ceiling on Housing Property Law, No. 1 of 1973 (hereinafter referred to as the "principal enactment") or any other written law, there shall be no limit from or after January 1, 1987, as to the maximum number of houses which may be owned by an individual who is, or is not, a member of a family or by any body of persons, corporate or unincorporate, and the provisions of the principal enactment shall be construed accordingly.

Removal of the ceiling on housing property.

3. Notwithstanding anything in the principal enactment, the tenant of a house or any person who may succeed to the tenancy thereof under section 36 of the Rent Act, No. 7 of 1972, shall not be entitled, from, or after January 1, 1987 to make an application, under any provision of the principal enactment, for the purchase of such house.

Restriction on right to make applications under the principal enactment.

4. For the avoidance of doubt it is hereby declared that the provisions of this Act shall not affect, or be deemed to have affected—

The provisions of this Act not to affect the past operation of the principal enactment.

(a) the past operation of, or anything duly done or suffered under, the principal enactment prior to January 1, 1987 ;

(b) any offence committed, any right, liberty or penalty acquired, or incurred, under the principal enactment, prior to January 1, 1987 ; and

(c) any action, proceeding or thing commenced under the principal enactment, and pending or incompletd on January 1, 1987, which action, proceeding or thing may be carried on and completed as if the principal enactment had not been amended by this Act.