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**THE PRISON (AMENDMENT) LAW, 1987
(LAW 14 OF 1987)**

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Law 14 of 1987

I Assent

PETER LLOYD

Governor

28th May, 1987

A LAW TO AMEND THE PRISONS LAW.

ENACTED by the Legislature of the Cayman Islands.

Short title.

1. This Law may be cited as the Prisons (Amendment) Law, 1987.

Amendment of s.5 of
Law 14 of 1975.

2. Section 5 of the Prisons Law, in this Law referred to as the principal Law, is amended by deleting "and such persons shall be subject to the same discipline as police officers of equivalent rank" in the last three lines.

Amendment of s. 7.

3. Section 7 of the principal Law is amended by substituting "standing orders and, with the approval of the Governor, rules, and enforce the same," for "with the approval of the Governor and" in the first line of paragraph (b).

Amendment of s. 8.

4. Section 8 of the principal Law is amended -

- (a) by inserting "(1)" immediately before "Officers" in the first line;
- (b) by adding the following two new subsections -

Law 5 of 1976.

"(2) An officer when on duty and in uniform has, in relation to that duty, the same powers and privileges as are conferred on a constable by the Police Law.

(3) In addition to and not in derogation from any other power conferred by this or any other Law, an officer may without a warrant arrest any person -

- (a) not being an officer; or
- (b) being an officer of equivalent or of a rank lower than that of the arresting officer,

contravening or suspected on reasonable grounds of having contravened any provision of this Law or of any regulations, rules or standing orders made hereunder:

Provided that the officer shall as soon as practicable deliver over the person so arrested to a constable or, in the absence of a constable, take him to a police station."

Amendment of s. 13.

5. Section 13 of the principal Law is amended by inserting "without the prior approval of the Director", immediately after "or" in the second line.

Amendment of s. 14.

6. Section 14 of the principal Law is amended by substituting "six months" for "thirty days" in the last line of subsection (1).

Insertion of new s. 26.

7. The principal Law is amended by inserting the following new section immediately after section 25 -

"Removal etc. of prisoners. 26. Nothing in this Law shall affect a warrant issued in respect of any convicted prisoner pursuant to the Colonial Removal Act, 1884 or the Repatriation of Prisoners Act 1984 of the United Kingdom (as extended to the Islands) or of any Acts amending or replacing the same."

Amendment of s. 33.

8. Section 33 of the principal Law is amended by adding the following new subsection -

"(3) An election in writing made under subsection (1) cannot be revoked."

Insertion of new s. 42A.

9. The principal Law is amended by inserting the following new section immediately after section 42 -

42A. The Director may allow any person or group of persons to visit a prison on such conditions as he may impose if he considers that such a

visit would be in the best interests of the prisoners."

Insertion of new s. 43A.

10. The principal Law is amended by inserting the following new section immediately after section 43 -

"Offences.

43A. Any person (not being a prison officer) who acts in contravention of any regulations, rules or standing orders made under this Law shall be guilty of an offence and liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding five thousand dollars or to imprisonment not exceeding twelve months or to both such fine and imprisonment."

Passed the Legislative Assembly this 29th day of April, 1987.

PETER LLOYD
President.

GEORGETTE MYRIE
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.