



PARLIMEN MALAYSIA



BILL

Prevention of Crime (Amendment) 1960

D.R.38/1960

(Presented and read a first time and ordered to be printed, 20th June, 1960.)

A BILL

intituled

An Act to amend the Prevention of Crime Ordinance.

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BE IT ENACTED by the Duli Yang Maha Mulia Seri Paduka Baginda Yang di-Pertuan Agong with the advice and consent of the Dewan Negara and Dewan Ra'ayat in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows:

Short title. 1. This Act may be cited as the Prevention of Crime (Amendment) Act, 1960.

Amendment of Part V. 13 of 1959. 2. Part V of the Prevention of Crime Ordinance, 1959, is hereby amended by inserting therein, immediately after section 20 thereof, the following new section:

"Arrest. 20A. A police officer may without a warrant arrest any person if he has reason to believe that such person has committed an offence against section 16, 18 or 19; and every such offence shall be seizable and non-bailable for the purposes of the Criminal Procedure Code."

S.S. Cap. 21.
F.M.S.
Cap. 6.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

It is considered that a power of summary arrest should be conferred on police officers in respect of the offences contained in several sections of the Prevention of Crime Ordinance, 1959, viz., section 16 (which requires a person who is registered under the Ordinance not to consort with other registered persons); section 18 (which deals with loitering by such a person); and section 19 (which deals with the harbouring of such persons). Such a power is conferred in relation to crimes of lesser importance, e.g., under the Minor Offences Ordinance, 1955, and it is considered desirable that a like power should exist in relation to offences concerning persons registered under the Ordinance of 1959. The object of the above Bill is to confer such a power.

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