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# **DANCES ACT**

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## AN ACT RELATING TO DANCES<sup>1</sup>

Commencement [31st October, 1951]

### 1 Short title

This Act may be cited as the Dances Act.

### 2 Holding dance without a licence

- (1) No dance at which a charge for admission is made shall be held in any village or place without a licence first obtained for the purpose from the Minister of Police or a person who may be authorised by him to issue the same, which licence shall be in the form and subject to the conditions contained in the Schedule hereto. Any person taking part in or promoting such dance for which no such licence shall have been first obtained as aforesaid shall be liable to a fine not exceeding \$50 or in default of payment to imprisonment with or without hard labour for any term not exceeding one month.<sup>2</sup>
- (2) It shall be lawful for any police officer of or above the rank of first class constable to enter any house or place in respect of which a licence has been granted for the purpose of enforcing the conditions of the licence.<sup>3</sup>

### 3 Dispersal of persons assembled at dance

It shall be lawful for any police officer of or above the rank of first class constable to enter any house or place where he has reason to believe dancing or any other amusement is going on contrary to the provisions of this Act or where any persons