Draft Bill.

No. S. 299.—The following bill is published for general information:—

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C.S.O. 380/88.

A BILL

INTITULED

An Ordinance to amend the Official Signatures Fees Ordinance, 1888.

BE it enacted by the Governor of Hong Kong, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows: -

Short title.

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Official Signatures Fees Amendment Ordinance, 1931.

Amendment of Ordinance No. 1 of 1888, s. 2. Ordinance No. 5 of 1928. Ordinance No. 18 of 1929. 2. Section 2 of the Official Signatures Fees Ordinance, 1888, (as amended by section 2 of the Principal Civil Medical Officer, Change of Name Ordinance, 1928, and by section 14 of the Police Force Amendment Ordinance, 1929), is amended by the substitution of the figure \$10 for the figure \$5 in paragraph (1) and by the substitution of the figure \$5 for the figure \$2 in paragraphs (2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7), (8), (9) and (10).

Objects and Reasons.

This Ordinance raises to \$10 the fee for the signature of the Governor, except as provided by the Land Registration Ordinance, 1844, where, however, the fee is also \$10 at present. This Ordinance further raises to \$5 the fee for the respective signatures of the Colonial Secretary, Secretary for Chinese Affairs, Colonial Treasurer, Director of Public Works, Inspector General of Police, Harbour Master, Director of Medical and Sanitary Services, Superintendent of Imports and Exports, and Clerk of Councils.

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