

10. *Female Domestic Service Amendment Bill*.—The Attorney General addressed the Council and moved the Second reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Female Domestic Service Ordinance, 1923."

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

The Honourable Dr. S. W. Ts'o, the Honourable Mr. T. N. CHAU and the Honourable Mr. M. K. Lo addressed the Council opposing the Bill.

The Attorney General addressed the Council.

His Excellency the Governor addressed the Council.

A division was called and declared lost. Four Members voted against the Bill, Hon. Dr. S. W. Ts'o, Hon. Mr. T. N. CHAU, Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo and Hon. Mr. A. F. B. SILVA-NETTO.

Bill read a second time.

Council in Committee on the Bill.

The Honourable Mr. M. K. Lo moved the following amendment:—Between the words "and" and "to" in Clause 2 insert "in the case of a second or subsequent conviction".

The Honourable Dr. S. W. Ts'o seconded.

The amendment was put to vote and declared lost. Four Members voted for the amendment, Hon. Dr. S. W. Ts'o, Hon. Mr. T. N. CHAU, Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo and Hon. Mr. A. F. B. SILVA-NETTO.

On Council resuming, the Attorney General reported that the Bill had passed through Committee without amendment, and moved that it be read a third time.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a third time and passed.

#### ADJOURNMENT.

11. The Council then adjourned until Wednesday, the 3rd day of June, 1936, at 2.30 p.m.

A. CALDECOTT,  
*Governor.*

Confirmed this 3rd day of June, 1936.

D. M. MACDOUGALL,  
*Deputy Clerk of Councils.*

**No. 511.**—His Excellency the Governor has given his assent, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty the KING, to the following Ordinances passed by the Legislative Council:—

Ordinance No. 24 of 1936.—An Ordinance to amend the Marriage Ordinance, 1875.

Ordinance No. 25 of 1936.—An Ordinance to amend the Protection of Women and Girls Ordinance, 1897.

HONG KONG.

No. 24 OF 1936.

I assent.

L.S.

A. CALDECOTT,  
*Governor.*

5th June, 1936.

An Ordinance to amend the Marriage Ordinance, 1875.

[5th June, 1936.]

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 Marriage Amendment Ordinance, 1936.

Amendment  
of Ordinance  
No. 7 of  
1875, s. 29.

2. Section 29 of the Marriage Ordinance, 1875, is amended by the addition of the words "or to a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars" after the words "two years" at the end thereof.

Passed the Legislative Council of Hong Kong, this 3rd day of June, 1936.

D. M. MACDOUGALL,  
*Deputy Clerk of Councils.*

**HONG KONG.**

No. 25 OF 1936.

I assent.

L.S.

A. CALDECOTT,  
*Governor.*

5th June, 1936.

An Ordinance to amend the Protection of Women and Girls  
Ordinance, 1897.

[5th June, 1936.]

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

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Protection of Women and Girls Amendment Ordinance, 1936. Short title.

2. The Protection of Women and Girls Ordinance, 1897, is amended by the repeal of sections 12, 12A, 13, 14 and 15 thereof. Repeal of sections 12, 12A, 13, 14 and 15 of Ordinance No. 4 of 1897.

3. The Protection of Women and Girls Ordinance, 1897, is amended by the insertion of the following new sections after section 11 thereof:— New sections 12, 13, 14 and 15 for Ordinance No. 4 of 1897.

12. Every occupier or keeper of a house or portion of a house who uses it, or who knowingly permits it to be used, as a lodging house for prostitutes or as a brothel shall be liable on summary conviction, for the first offence to a fine not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars and to imprisonment for any term not exceeding three months, for a second offence (whether in respect of the same or other premises) to a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars and to imprisonment for any term not exceeding six months, and for a third or any subsequent offence (whether in respect of the same or other premises) to a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars and to imprisonment for any term not exceeding twelve months. Penalty on occupier or keeper of premises used as a lodging house for prostitutes or as a brothel.

Service of notice of offence under section 12 on owner, etc.

13. Where it has been proved to the satisfaction of a magistrate that an offence under section 12 has been committed with respect to any house or portion of a house he may order that a notice of the fact shall be served, either personally or by registered post, upon the owner or tenant of the premises, or if such owner or tenant is absent or under any disability upon his attorney, agent or rent collector, or if such owner or tenant is a corporation upon the secretary or manager thereof.

Power to determine tenancies of premises used in contravention of section 12.

14. After service of such notice as is mentioned in section 13, any magistrate may, at the request of any such owner, tenant, attorney, agent, rent collector, secretary or manager, make an order (which shall be recognised and given effect to in any proceeding in any court) absolutely putting an end to any existing tenancy or sub-tenancy of such premises as from the date of such order, and thereupon such tenancy or sub-tenancy shall absolutely cease and determine for all purposes and the occupier, tenant or sub-tenant of such premises may thereafter be treated as a trespasser.

Penalty on owner, etc., where premises again used within three months in contravention of section 12.

15. If, after service of such notice as is mentioned in section 13, an offence against section 12 is proved to have been committed by any person within three months after such service, the person upon whom service is made (and, if he be an attorney, agent or rent collector, also the landlord whom he represents) shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, unless he proves to the satisfaction of the magistrate that he neither knew nor had reasonable means of knowing that the premises were being used as a lodging house for prostitutes or as a brothel.

Amendment of section 16 of Ordinance No. 4 of 1897.

4. Section 16 of the Protection of Women and Girls Ordinance, 1897, is amended by the deletion of the words "or disorderly persons" in the ninth line.

Passed the Legislative Council of Hong Kong, this 3rd day of June, 1936.

D. M. MACDOUGALL,  
*Deputy Clerk of Councils.*