

SIGNED this 31st day of December, 1973.

SIAKA STEVENS,
President.

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No. 26



Sierra Leone

1973

The Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Act, 1973

Short title.

[31st December, 1973.]

Commencement.

BE IT ENACTED by the President and Members of Parliament in this present Parliament assembled, as follows:—

1. Paragraph (a) of section 39 of the Criminal Procedure Act, 1965 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act) is hereby amended by the deletion therefrom of the words "enquired into and" appearing in the first line thereof.

Amendment of Section 39 (a) of Act No. 32 of 1965.

Insertion of
new section
41A in Act
No. 32 of
1965.

2. The principal Act is hereby amended by the addition immediately after section 41 thereof the following new section—

“Enquiry 41A. (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 39, 40 and 41 or any other law to the contrary and unless there has been obtained an order of the High Court that the offence may be enquired into by another court specified in that order, an offence may be enquired into in any part of Sierra Leone.

(2) An order referred to in subsection (1) may be obtained if the applicant by summons satisfies a judge either—

- (a) that it would tend to the general convenience of the parties or witnesses, or
- (b) that it would be expedient for the ends of justice if the offence were enquired into by a court other than that before which it was brought”.

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ment of sub-
section (4) of
section 43 of
Act No. 32
of 1965.

3. Subsection (4) of section 43 of the principal Act is hereby amended by inserting immediately after the word “section” appearing in the fifth line thereof the following words—“or section 41A”.

Passed in Parliament this *18th* day of *December*, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventy-three.

A. M. DUMBUYA,
Acting Clerk of Parliament.

THIS PRINTED IMPRESSION has been carefully compared by me with the Bill which has passed Parliament and found by me to be a true and correctly printed copy of the said Bill.

A. M. DUMBUYA,
Acting Clerk of Parliament