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An Ordinance for the Protection of Illiterate Persons in the Colony and Protectorate of Sierra Leone.

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Short title.

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Illiterates Protection Ordinance, and shall apply to the Colony and Protectorate.

Verification
of letters
written for
illiterate
persons.

2. Any person who shall write any letter or other document for, or at the request, on behalf, or in the name, of any illiterate person, or to be in any way signed or executed by any illiterate person, shall also write on such letter or other document his own name as the writer thereof and his full and true address, and his so doing shall be taken to be the equivalent to a statement that he was instructed to write such letter or document by the person for whom it purports to have been written, and that the letter or document fully and correctly represents his instructions, and that prior to its being signed, by mark or otherwise, it was read over and explained to the person whose mark or signature it bears, and that such mark or signature is the true mark or signature of the person whose mark or signature it purports to be.

Penalty.

3. If the writer of any such letter or document shall fail to write thereon his full and true address, or if, having done so, any statement which, under this Ordinance is in consequence implied, shall be found to be untrue, then and in every such case the writer shall be guilty of a misdemeanour, and shall be liable, on summary conviction, to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds, or in default of payment to imprisonment, with or without hard labour, for a term not exceeding three months.

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