

## CHAPTER 79

### AGE OF MAJORITY

Ordinance  
No. 7 of 1865.

AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE THE AGE OF TWENTY-ONE YEARS THE LEGAL AGE OF MAJORITY  
IN SRI LANKA-

*[20th October. 1865.]*

Short title.

**1.** This Ordinance may be cited as the Age of Majority Ordinance.

shall be deemed to have attained his majority at an earlier period, any law or custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

Twenty-one  
years made  
the legal age  
of majority.

**2.** From and after the passing of this Ordinance all persons when they shall attain or who have- already attained the full age of twenty-one years shall be deemed to have attained the legal age of majority, and, except as is hereinafter excepted, no person

**3.** Nothing herein contained shall extend or be construed to prevent any person under the age of twenty-one years from attaining his majority at an earlier period by operation of law.

Attainment of  
majority by  
operation of  
law not  
affected.