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**CHAPTER 630**

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*Ordinance* AN ORDINANCE TO PREVENT SPIRITUOUS OR FERMENTED LIQUORS BEING TAKEN ON  
No. 15 of 1886. BOARD SHIPS OF THE REPUBLIC WITHOUT THE CONSENT OF THE  
COMMANDERS THEREOF.

*[4th December. 1886.]*

Short title. 1. This Ordinance may be cited as the  
Liquor (On Board Ships of the Republic)  
Regulation Ordinance.

No spirituous or fermented liquor of any description to be taken on board any of the ships of the Republic without the commander's consent. 2. It shall not be lawful for any person to take any spirituous or fermented liquor of any description on board any of the ships or vessels in any part of the sea adjacent to the coast of Sri Lanka and within the territorial sovereignty of the Republic, without the previous consent of the officer commanding the ship or vessel on board of which the same may be taken; and it shall be lawful for any officer in the service of the Republic or warrant or petty officer of the navy, or non-commissioned officer of the Sri Lanka Navy, with or without seamen or persons under his command, to search any boat or vessel hovering about or approaching, or which may have hovered about or approached, any of the ships or vessels of the Republic; and if any spirituous or fermented liquor be found on board such boat or vessel, to seize such spirituous or fermented liquor, and the same shall be forfeited to the State; and if any

person shall take any spirituous or fermented liquor on board any of the ships or vessels of the Republic without such previous consent as aforesaid, or shall approach or hover about any of the ships or vessels of the Republic for the purpose of taking any spirituous or fermented liquor on board the same, without such previous consent, or for the purpose of giving or selling without such previous consent, spirituous or fermented liquor to men in the service of the Republic, every such person shall, upon a summary conviction thereof before a Magistrate, pay a fine not exceeding one hundred rupees for every such act or offence; and it shall be lawful for any officer in the service of the Republic, or any such warrant or petty officer or non-commissioned officer as aforesaid, or for any police officer, with or without any warrant or other process, to apprehend or cause to be apprehended any such offender or person so acting and to bring him or cause him to be brought before any Magistrate, for the purpose of having the offender summarily convicted of the same.

Right to seize with or without warrant.