

2. Section 30 of the principal Law is hereby repealed and the following section substituted therefor :—

“Provisions as to existing *de facto* adoptions.

30. Where at the date of the commencement of this Law any person has been brought up, maintained and educated by any person or two spouses jointly as his, her or their own child under any *de facto* adoption, the Court may, upon the application of such person or spouses, made within two years from the date of the commencement of this Law, and notwithstanding anything contained in paragraph (b) of sub-section (5) of section 4 and that the applicant is a male and the person concerned a female, make an adoption order authorizing him, her or them to adopt the person without requiring the production of any certificate required under paragraph (b) of sub-section (5) of section 4 and the consent of any parent or guardian of the person to be obtained, upon being satisfied that in all the circumstances of the case it is just and equitable that no such certificate and consent should be required and that an adoption order should be made.”.

Repeal of section 30 of the principal Law and substitution of new section.

J. FLETCHER-COOKE,

Colonial Secretary.

23rd September, 1955.

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CORRIGENDUM.

For the figures and word “2 of 1954” appearing twice immediately under the word and figures “Cap. 120” as marginal references of the Mental Patients (Amendment) Law, 1955, read “6 of 1954”.