

KARNATAKA ACT NO. 26 OF 2003
THE KARNATAKA PROHIBITION OF BEGGARY
(AMENDMENT) ACT, 2002

Arrangement of Sections

Sections:

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STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

It is considered necessary to amend the Karnataka Prohibition of Beggary Act, 1975,-

- (i) to require that the Bond executed by any person under sub-section (4) or by a surety under sub-section (5) of section 11 shall be for a sum of rupees one thousand and two thousand respectively.
- (ii) to specify that the period of detention of a beggar under section 12 may extend to three years instead of twelve months with a minimum period of one year;
- (iii) to specify that the period of detention of infirm, disabled and decrepit beggars and persons suffering from any incurable disease, under section 13 may extend to three years instead of 12 months with a minimum period of one year;

- (iv) to empower the Government to direct any person having custody of the fund of the local authority to pay the balance amount due to the Central Relief Fund and to provide that if the amount is not paid in compliance with such order to recover it as an arrears of land revenue.

Hence the Bill.

[L.A. Bill No.15 of 2002]

[Entry 15 of List-III of Seventh Schedule to the Constitution of India]

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May, 2003)*

An Act further to amend the Karnataka Prohibition of
Beggary Act, 1975.

Whereas it is expedient further to amend the Karnataka
Prohibition of Beggary Act, 1975 (Karnataka Act 27 of 1975)
for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

Be it enacted by the Karnataka State Legislature in the
fifty third year of the Republic of India, as follows:-

1. Short title and commencement.- (1) This Act may
be called the Karnataka Prohibition of Beggary (Amendment)
Act, 2002.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. Amendment to Section 11.- In Section 11 of the
Karnataka Prohibition of Beggary Act, 1975 (Karnataka Act 27
of 1975) (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act),-

(i) in sub-section (4), after the word "bond" the words
"for a sum of rupees one thousand" shall be inserted.

(ii) in sub-section (5), after the words "a surety" the
words "for a sum of rupees two thousand" shall be inserted.

3. Amendment to section 12.- In Section 12 of the
principal Act, in sub-section (1), for the words "not exceeding
twelve months" the words "which shall not be less than one
year but which may extend to three years" shall be substituted.

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4. Amendment to section 13.- In section 13 of the principal Act, in sub-section (2) for the words “not exceeding twelve months” the words “which shall not be less than one year but which may extend to three years” shall be substituted.

5. Amendment to section 31.- In section 31 of the principal Act, after sub-section (3), the following sub-sections shall be inserted, namely:-

“ (4) If a local authority fails to make payment of such balance amount within the time as directed by the Government under sub-section (3), the Government may make an order directing the person having the custody of the fund of the local authority concerned to pay such balance amount in priority to any other charge against such fund and such person shall so far as the amounts to the credit of such fund admit, be bound to comply with the order.

(5) Where the balance amount due from a local authority is not paid in compliance with the order of the Government under sub-section (4), the such amount shall be recoverable from such local authority in the same manner as an arrear of land revenue and the amount so recovered shall be credited to the Central Relief Fund.”

By Order and in the name of the
Governor of Karnataka,

M.R.HEGDE
Secretary to Government,
Department of Parliamentary Affairs
and Legislation.