

A statute to provide for the transfer of stamp duties collected under the Financial Statute of the Western Province, No. 06 of 1990 to the Local Authorities in the Western Province.

Be it passed by the Provincial Council of the Western Province as follows:

Short Title

1. This Statute may be cited as the Transfer of Stamp Duties Statute of the Western Province, No. ~~06~~ 05 of ~~1990~~ 1992.....

Transfer of Stamp Duties

2. Where the Provincial Council has charged and collected, in terms of the Financial Statute of the Western Province, No. 06 of 1990 and the Financial Statute (Amendment) Statute of the Western Province, No. 05 of 1991, any stamp duty on any instrument relating to a transfer of any immovable property situated within the administrative limits of any local authority in the Western Province and paid to the Provincial Fund of the Western Province, the Provincial Council may transfer the amount of that stamp duty to the local authority within whose administrative limits the immovable property in respect of whose transfer the said stamp duty was collected is situated, on a claim in writing by the Chief Administrative Officer of that local authority to the Minister of the Board of Ministers in charge of the subject of Finance of the Western Province within a period of 2 years from the 31st day of December of the year in which the stamp duty was collected as aforesaid.

Certificate of the Registrar General

3. No claim under section 2 shall be valid unless accompanied with a schedule of payment of stamp duty specified in the claim, certified by the Registrar General or any other officer nominated by him on that behalf.

Interpretation

4. In this statute, unless the context otherwise requires -
"Chief Administrative Officer" means -

(a) in relation to a Municipal Council, the Municipal Commissioner; and

(b) in relation to an Urban Council or Pradeshiya Sabha, the Secretary there

"Local authority" means any Municipal Council, Urban Council, Pradeshiya Sabha and includes any Authority created and established by or under any law to exercise, perform and discharge powers, duties and functions corresponding to or similar to the powers, duties and functions exercised, performed and discharged by any such Council or Sabha

"instrument" has the same meaning as in the Financial Statute of the Western Province No. 06 of 1990.

"Provincial Council" means the Provincial Council of the Western Province of the Republic of Sri Lanka.

- Sinhala text to prevail in the event of inconsistency
5. In the event of any inconsistency between the Sinhala and Tamil texts of this Statute, the Sinhala text shall prevail.