

## COMMONWEALTH OF DOMINICA

ACT NO. 20 OF 1997.

I assent

C.A. SORHAINDO  
*President.*

15th January, 1998.

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LITTER ACT, (CHAP 40:61).

(Gazetted 22nd January, 1998.)

BE IT ENACTED by the Parliament of the Commonwealth of  
Dominica as follows:

1. This Act may be cited as the –

Short title.

LITTER (AMENDMENT) ACT 1997.

2. In this Act the Litter Act is referred to as “the Act”.

Interpretation,  
Ch. 40:61.

Amendment of  
section 2 of the Act.

3. Section 2 of the Act is amended by –
- (a) deleting from the definition of “authorised officer” the words “any police officer and”; and
  - (b) inserting the following immediately after the definition of “authorised officer”:
    - ““business owner” includes a street vendor and a mobile canteen operator;”.

Insertion of section  
3A in the Act.

4. The Act is amended by inserting immediately after section 3 the following as sections 3A, 3B, 3C and 3D –

“Owner or driver  
of bus to provide  
receptacle for  
litter.

3A. (1) Every owner or driver of a freight or passenger vehicle, hiring car or taxi or a motor omnibus shall while the same is operating for hire provide in a convenient place therein one or more receptacles for the deposit of litter;

(2) Any person who contravenes subsection (1) is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine of one hundred dollars and in the case of a subsequent offence to a fine of two hundred dollars and to imprisonment of three months.”.

Insertion of section  
3B in the Act.

“Disposal of  
Litter from a  
motor vehicle  
or trailer.

3B. Any person who throws down, drops or otherwise deposits litter from any motor vehicle into or upon any public place is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine of two hundred dollars and to imprisonment for three months.”.

Insertion of section  
3C in the Act.

“Securing  
litter  
while  
transporting.

3C. (1) A person who transports in or on a motor vehicle along any motorway, thoroughfare, road, street, alley, lane or other public place any litter, which is likely to fall or blow off the vehicle or trailer shall ensure that such litter is sufficiently well secured or covered so as to prevent it from falling or blowing off the motor vehicle or trailer.

(2) Any person who contravenes subsection (1) is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine of two hundred dollars and to imprisonment for three months.”.

“Business owners to provide receptacle for litter.

**3D.** (1) Every owner or manager of a business shall provide and maintain in a convenient place at his premises such number of receptacles as may be necessary for the deposit of litter.

Insertion of section 3D in the Act.

(2) Any person who contravenes subsection (1) is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine of five hundred dollars.”.

**5.** (1) Section 6 of the Act is repealed and replaced as follows:

Repeal and replacement of section 6.

“Appoint-ment of authorised officers.

**6.** (1) The Minister may, where it is necessary to do so by Order appoint persons to be authorised officers for purposes of this Act.”.

Passed in the House of Assembly this 17th day of December, 1997.

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