

Education (Amendment) Ordinance 2000

Background: The amendments are mainly related to the retirement of principals and teachers in aided schools

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Commencement date: 24 March 2000

Details of amendments: New sections added as follows:

- (a) Section 58A(1)(a) stipulates that a person shall not be employed as a teacher or the principal of an aided school if he –
 - (i) would commence such employment after the commencement of this section [i.e. 24 March 2000]; and
 - (ii) would be aged 60 years or more at the commencement of such employment.
- (b) Section 58A(1)(b) specifies that [with effect from the 2001/2002 school year] a person employed as a teacher or the principal of an aided school shall not continue to be so employed for a school year or any part thereof if he has attained the age of 60 years or more before the commencement of the school year, except in accordance with a permission under section 58B(2)(a).
- (c) Section 58A(2) stipulates that section 58A(1) does not apply to –
 - (i) the employment of a person as a temporary replacement of a teacher of an aided school for any period during which that teacher is unable for any reason to perform his duties as a teacher of the school; or
 - (ii) the employment of a person as a teacher of an aided school where the person fills a post that is not within the teaching staff establishment of the school approved by the Director from time to time.
- (d) Section 58B(3) provides that the maximum aggregate period for which permission may be issued under section 58B(2)(a) in respect of the teacher or principal shall be 5 consecutive school years.