

STATE OF SABAH

ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISIONS ORDINANCE (Sabah Cap. 167)

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<i>Enactment No.</i>	<i>Sections amended</i>	<i>Effective date of amendment</i>
G.N.S. 129/1963 Art. 48 (1)	Long title, 2 (1) 3 (a)	16-9-1963
G.N.S. 151/1963	2 (1)	21-10-1963
G.N.S. 87/1965	2 (1), 5 (2)	16-9-1963
6/1968	3	23-8-1968
19/1978	2	1-1-1979

To provide for the division of the State for the purposes of administration.

[1st November, 1954.]

Short title.

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Administrative Divisions Ordinance.

Division of the State into divisions and districts.

2. (1) The Yang di-Pertua Negeri* may by proclamation[#] divide the State into divisions and such divisions into districts in such manner as may be convenient for the purposes of administration either by describing the boundaries of any such division or district or by reference to a map, and may assign names to any such division or district.

- (2) If a question arises whether any place is or is not within any such division or district or such question does not appear to be determined by any proclamation made under subsection (1) or other evidence, it shall be referred to the Director of Lands and Surveys and a certificate under his hand shall be conclusive on the question and judicial notice shall be taken thereof.

Construction of written law.

3. Where a proclamation has been made under subsection (1) of section 2, the Chief Minister may declare[±] that in any written law then in force –

- (a) any or every reference to any territorial division of the State shall be read and construed as a reference to any territorial division mentioned in such proclamation; and
 - (b) any or every reference to any administrative officer shall be read and construed as a reference to any other administrative officer,

* Throughout the Ordinance "Yang di-Pertua Negeri" substituted for "Yang di-Pertua Negara" by virtue of Enactment No. 17 of 1976.

[#] See Administrative Divisions Proclamation, 1982.

[±] See G.N.S. 142/1954, G.N. 13/1975.

and every such law shall be read and construed accordingly.

Amendment of Interpretation Ordinance, Cap. 63.

4. Subsection (1) of section 2 of the Interpretation Ordinance is amended:-

(a) by inserting immediately after the definition of the words “dependent Commonwealth territory” the following definition:-

“ “district” means one of the districts into which the State is for the time being divided in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Divisions Ordinance;”

(b) by deleting the definition of the words “District Officer” and inserting the following definition in the place thereof:-

“ “District Officer” means the officer in charge of a district and includes an Assistant District Officer;” ; and

(c) by inserting immediately after the definition of the word “regulations” the following definitions:-

“ “residency” means one of the residencies into which the State is for the time being divided in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Divisions Ordinance;

“ “Resident” means the officer in charge of a residency;”.

Repeal.

5. (1) The definitions of “Resident” and “District Officer” appearing in the Ordinances set out in the Schedule are hereby repealed.

(2) The Yang di-Pertua Negeri may by order add to the Schedule.

SCHEDULE
(Section 5)

The Criminal Procedure Code[∇] [Cap. 30].

The Rural Government Ordinance[#] [Cap. 132].

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[∇] Cap. 30 was repealed and replaced by Ordinance No. 4 of 1959. Ordinance No. 4 of 1959 was later repealed by Act A324 which extended to Sabah F.M.S. Cap. 6.

[#] Title has been changed to "Rural Administration Ordinance" – see S. 109 (2) (b) of Ordinance No. 11 of 1961.