



SUPPLEMENT No. 2

TO

THE CYPRUS GAZETTE No. 3948 OF 30TH MAY, 1956.

LEGISLATION.

THE STATUTE LAWS OF CYPRUS

No. 16 of 1956.

A LAW TO AMEND THE SOIL CONSERVATION LAW, 1952.

10 of 1952.

JOHN HARDING,]

[26th May, 1956.

Governor.

BE it enacted by His Excellency the Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of Cyprus as follows:—

1. This Law may be cited as the Soil Conservation (Amendment) Law, 1956, and shall be read as one with the Soil Conservation Law, 1952 (hereinafter referred to as "the principal Law"), and the principal Law and this Law may together be cited as the Soil Conservation Laws, 1952 and 1956.

Short title.
10 of 1952.

Amendment
of section 2
of the
principal
Law.

2. Section 2 of the principal Law is hereby amended by the deletion therefrom of the definition of "proprietor" and the substitution therefor of the following definition:—

" 'proprietor' means any person who owns, within a Soil Conservation Division or an area proposed to be constituted as a Soil Conservation Division, immovable property of an aggregate value, as registered or recorded in the books of the District Lands Office, of not less than one thousand mils and includes—

- (a) any person who occupies any such immovable property under a written hire-purchase agreement ;
- (b) any person who occupies any such immovable property under a written lease and the owner has consented, in writing, to such person being regarded as a proprietor for the purposes of this Law :

Provided that the heirs of a deceased proprietor whose immovable property is still registered or recorded in his name shall be deemed to be a single proprietor and may, for all purposes of this Law, be represented by one heir duly authorized in that behalf by the heirs owning the major interest in the immovable property registered or recorded in the name of the deceased proprietor ;”.

Amendment
of section 5
of the
principal
Law.

3. Section 5 of the principal Law is hereby amended by the deletion therefrom of sub-section (8) and the substitution therefor of the following sub-section:—

“(8) A proprietor whose immovable property is of an aggregate value as registered or recorded in the books of the District Lands Office of—

- (i) not less than 1,000 mils and not more than 5,000 mils, one vote ;
- (ii) more than 5,000 mils and not more than 15,000 mils, two votes ;
- (iii) more than 15,000 mils and not more than 30,000 mils, three votes ;
- (iv) more than 30,000 mils and not more than 50,000 mils, four votes ;
- (v) more than 50,000 mils from five to ten votes, as the Commissioner may, having regard to the aggregate value of the property and all the circumstances of each particular case, from time to time, by order, direct.”.

Amendment
of section 7
of the
principal
Law.

4. Sub-section (1) of section 7 of the principal Law is hereby amended by the addition thereto of the following proviso (the full stop at the end thereof being substituted by a colon):—

“Provided that where all the proprietors are not the inhabitants of the same village the Commissioner may, in his discretion, increase the membership of the Board by any number not exceeding three and may allocate such increased membership to the village or villages the inhabitants of which are in the minority amongst the proprietors ; and in any such case only proprietors who are inhabitants of the village in

respect of which such increased membership has been allocated shall be entitled to be nominated for that membership.”.

5. Sub-section (1) of section 12 of the principal Law is hereby amended by the deletion therefrom of paragraph (e) and the substitution therefor of the following paragraph :—

Amendment of section 12 of the principal Law.

“(e) prescribing the maximum rate or charge that may be levied upon any one of the persons bound by the Soil Conservation Scheme as in section 9 provided and empowering the Board within such maximum to levy upon each such person such rate or charge as it may deem appropriate having regard to the benefit accruing to such person from the soil conservation works ; and prescribing the manner in which, and the date or dates upon which, such rate or charge shall be levied and paid ;”.

6. The principal Law is hereby amended by the insertion therein, immediately after section 22, of the following new sections :—

Insertion of new sections 22A and 22B in the principal Law.

“Appeals to Commissioner.

22A.—(1) Any person aggrieved by the levying or assessment by the Board of any sum exceeding two pounds may, within fourteen days from the date of notification of the decision of the Board to him, appeal to the Commissioner, whose decision shall be final and conclusive.

(2) Every such appeal shall be in writing and signed by the appellant and it shall set out the grounds upon which it is founded.

Estimates.

22B. The Board shall, as soon as possible after its formation and annually thereafter, submit to the Commissioner for his approval estimates of the expenditure which it is proposed to incur on behalf of the Soil Conservation Division during the ensuing year, together with a statement of the Division’s estimated receipts and of the rates or charges which it is proposed to levy upon the proprietors in respect of the same period.”.

J. W. SYKES,

Administrative Secretary.

26th May, 1956.