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A LAW TO CONSOLIDATE AND AMEND THE LAW RELATING TO
MEDICAL REGISTRATION.

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27 of 56.

[7th August, 1936.]

Short title.

1. This Law may be cited as the Medical Registration Law.

Interpreta-
tion.

2. In this Law—

“ Director ” means the Director of Medical Services.

Constitution
and com-
position of
Medical
Council.

3. (1) There shall be constituted a Medical Council to be called “ The Medical Council of Cyprus ” (hereinafter called

“ the Medical Council ”) which shall consist of—

- (a) the Director, *ex officio*;
- (b) two medical officers in the public service of the Colony appointed by the Governor;
- (c) three registered medical practitioners in private ^{2 of 16/52.} practice appointed by the Governor.

(2) The Director shall be the Chairman of the Medical Council and shall in addition to his own vote have a casting vote when the votes of the members are equally divided.

(3) The Medical Council shall meet at such times and places as the Chairman shall appoint and the Chairman together with two other members shall form a quorum.

(4) During the absence of any member of the Medical Council from Cyprus the Governor may appoint any registered medical practitioner to be temporarily a member of the Council during such absence.

4. (1) Every member of the Medical Council appointed by the Governor shall hold office for a period of two years from the date of his appointment: Tenure of Office.

Provided that the Governor may at any time revoke the appointment of any such member.

(2) Any non-official member of the Medical Council may at any time resign his membership upon giving notice in writing to the Director.

5. (1) The Director shall be the Registrar under this Law and shall keep a register to be called “ the Medical Register ” in the form in the First Schedule hereto wherein he shall, upon payment of a fee of five pounds, enter the name, address, date of registration and qualifications of every person who applies and is entitled to be registered under this Law: Registrar to keep Medical Register.
First Schedule.

Provided that no qualification shall be entered in the Register unless the Medical Council is satisfied by such evidence as it may consider sufficient that the person claiming such qualification is entitled thereto.

(2) A certificate of registration in the form set out in the Second Schedule shall, upon registration, be issued to every registered medical practitioner. Second Schedule.

6. Any person who desires to be registered under this Application for registration.

Law shall make application to the Registrar and shall submit such documentary evidence as may be required in support of his application.

Qualifica-
tions and
requisites for
registration.
3 of 16/52.

7. (1) Subject to section 10, any person shall be entitled to be registered as a medical practitioner who satisfies the Medical Council that he has attained the age of 21 years, is a person of good character, has a good knowledge of the English language and is not by reason of any professional misconduct incapacitated from practising medicine elsewhere, and that—

2 (a) of 27/56.

(a) being a British subject, he is the holder of a licence, degree or diploma which entitles him to be registered as a medical practitioner in the United Kingdom; or

2 (b) of 27/56.

(b) being a British subject and a native of the Colony—

(i) he is the holder of a licence, degree or diploma granted by any university, college or medical school as may be declared by Order of the Governor in Council to be a recognized qualification for the purposes of this section;

(ii) he has resided in Cyprus for five years within the past fifteen years immediately preceding the date of his application to be registered; and

(iii) following graduation, he has been engaged in employment in a residential capacity in the Nicosia General Hospital for a period of not less than two years or attended, for a period of not less than two years, in a country other than Cyprus, such hospital as the Medical Council may approve, during which period it is certified to the satisfaction of the Council that he has been engaged in medicine, surgery or midwifery or some other special branch of medicine.

2 (c) of 27/56.

(2) For the purposes of this section and of sections 10 and 11 "native of the Colony" means any person who has not, when in any foreign State and not under disability, by obtaining a certificate of naturalization or by any other voluntary or formal act, become naturalized therein on or since the fifth day of November, 1914, and who—

(a) was born in the Colony or whose father was born in the Colony; or

- (b) is the wife of a person to whom the foregoing paragraph applies not living apart from such person under a decree of a competent Court or under a deed of separation.

8. The Governor may, on or before the thirty-first day of December in each year, by notice in the Gazette, prescribe the maximum number of persons who may be registered as medical practitioners under the provisions of paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 7 during any quarter of the year commencing on the first day of January next following the date of such notice and the Medical Council shall not, in the course of any quarter, register any persons in excess of the maximum prescribed by the Governor in respect of such quarter:

Power to fix quota for holders of certain foreign degrees.
3 of 27/56.

Provided that if, at any time, the number of persons applying for registration under the provisions of paragraph (ii) of section 7 exceeds the prescribed maximum, the Medical Council may require the applicants to undergo such qualifying examination in medicine, surgery, gynaecology, obstetrics and preventive medicine as the Medical Council may prescribe, and shall select for registration those applicants who obtain the highest marks at such examination.

9. Notwithstanding anything in section 7 contained, any person who satisfies the Medical Council that he—

Registration in special cases.

- (a) fulfils the requisites in paragraphs (a), (b), (c) and (d) of section 7 mentioned;
- (b) is in possession of the qualifications which but for this Law would entitle him to be registered as a medical practitioner under the Law hereby repealed;
- (c) has resided in Cyprus for a period of five years within the last fifteen years immediately preceding the date of his application to be registered; and
- (d) was a medical student at the date of the coming into operation of this Law or became qualified within two years before the date thereof, shall be entitled to be registered as a medical practitioner:

Provided that no registration under this section shall be made after the first day of September, 1942.