

Appropriation of £87,375 for the twelve months ended the 31st December, 1939.  
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2. The sums of money set forth in the Schedule to this Law, having been expended in respect of the establishments or services therein mentioned beyond the amounts granted for those services for the twelve months ended on the thirty-first day of December, 1939, by the Appropriation Law, 1939, such sums are hereby declared to have been duly laid out and expended in defraying the charges of the Government of Cyprus for those twelve months and are hereby approved, allowed and granted in addition to the sums mentioned for those establishments and services in the said Law.

HEAD.	SCHEDULE.	£
1. Public Debt Charges.. .. .	.. .. .	28,723
4. Secretariat .. .. .	.. .. .	709
5. Printing Office .. .. .	.. .. .	190
7. Co-operation .. .. .	.. .. .	331
18. Post Office .. .. .	.. .. .	757
20. Forests.. .. .	.. .. .	1,103
26. Water Supply and Irrigation .. .. .	.. .. .	19,800
27. The Government of Cyprus Information and Liaison Office, London .. .. .	.. .. .	197
29. Defence .. .. .	.. .. .	15,015
30. Miscellaneous .. .. .	.. .. .	20,550
		£87,375

J. V. W. SHAW,  
*Colonial Secretary.*

8th May, 1941.

### No. 10 OF 1941.

#### A LAW FOR AFFORDING ASSISTANCE TO THE CITRUS INDUSTRY OF THE COLONY.

W. D. BATTERSHILL,] [12th May, 1941.  
*Governor.*

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

Short title.

1. This Law may be cited as the Citrus Industry Aid Law, 1941.

2. In this Law the following expressions have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them, that is to say—

Interpre-  
tation.

“citrus land” means an area of land which is fully planted with citrus trees, and includes any other trees thereon and any building, tank, well or water, erected, sunk or found on such area or appurtenant thereto, and all other lands appurtenant thereto and enjoyed therewith;

“owner” means the registered owner of citrus land, and includes any person who has a legal right or duty to cultivate such citrus land on behalf of such owner or his estate, but does not include a lessee of such citrus land;

“the Board” means the Citrus Industry Aid Board established under this Law.

3. It shall be lawful for the Governor, from time to time, to advance out of the Revenue of the Colony such sums as may be approved by the Secretary of State, to be used and applied solely in making advances, under this Law, to owners in respect of citrus land.

Authority  
to advance  
money with  
approval  
of the  
Secretary  
of State.

4. There shall be established a Board which shall consist of not less than three and not more than nine members appointed by the Governor. The Governor shall appoint the Chairman of the Board and may from time to time remove all or any of the persons appointed under this section and appoint others in the stead of such of them as shall be removed, die, resign or depart from the Colony.

Establish-  
ment of  
Board.

5.—(1) Notwithstanding any temporary vacancy or vacancies in the body of members comprising the Board the same shall be deemed to be fully constituted for the purposes of this Law.

Provisions  
relating to  
Board.

(2) The persons appointed as members of the Board shall be one body politic and corporate in deed and name by the name of the Citrus Industry Aid Board and by that name shall and may sue and be sued in all the Courts of the Colony and shall have perpetual succession and a Common Seal.

(3) No personal liability shall attach to any member of the Board in respect of anything done or suffered in good faith under the provisions of this Law.

(4) In the absence of the chairman from any meeting the members shall from among their number elect a chairman for the purpose of such meeting.

(5) Three members including the chairman or member elected chairman under the last preceding sub-section shall form a quorum for the transaction of business and may do anything that the Board may do under this Law.

(6) The chairman and the member elected chairman under sub-section (4) of this section shall have the right to vote on any question and in the event of the division of votes being equal he shall have also a casting vote and the decision of the majority of the members present and voting shall prevail.

(7) The chairman of the Board shall have full power to call meetings of the Board.

Advances  
vested in  
Board, and  
advances to  
owners of  
citrus land.

6. The moneys advanced from the Revenue of the Colony under the provisions of this Law shall be placed at the disposal of and vested in the Board for the purpose of making advances to owners of citrus land in such cases as the Board shall deem it advisable that such loans shall be made.

Powers of  
Board.

7. It shall be lawful for the Board—

- (a) to appoint, with the approval of the Governor, a secretary ;
- (b) to arbitrate any matter in dispute or compromise any proceedings, and any money the payment of which is rendered necessary by such arbitration or compromise shall be paid out of the funds placed at its disposal ;
- (c) to pay out of the funds placed at its disposal all judgments and decrees for the payment of money and the costs incident thereto obtained against it, and any other expenses of whatever kind necessary in conducting the business of the Board ;
- (d) subject to the approval of the Governor in Council to make rules governing and regulating the transactions of the Board.

Accounts of  
the Board.

8. The accounts of the Board shall from time to time be audited by the Auditor who shall have access to the books of the Board at all convenient times. A report of the result of such audit shall be forwarded to the Colonial Secretary.

Applications  
for advances  
by owners of  
citrus land  
and interest  
on such  
advances.

9.—(1) All applications for advances by owners of citrus land shall be in the Form A in the Schedule to this Law and shall be addressed to the Chairman of the Board and the particulars stated in such application shall be verified on oath.

(2) The Chairman shall lay all applications before the Board and the Board shall consider each application on its merits and in its absolute discretion may grant or refuse any advance, and shall fix the amounts to be allowed and the

interest thereon and the conditions on, and the times at which advances shall be made, and subject to the provisions of paragraph (a) of section 13 of this Law, the purposes to which such advances shall be applied.

(3) Advances made by the Board shall bear interest at such rate as may be fixed by the Board with the approval of the Governor.

10.—(1) Upon the making of any advance the Chairman of the Board shall forthwith complete the Form of Notification in the Form B in the Schedule to this Law and shall sign and forward the same to the Principal Land Registry Officer of the District in which the citrus land specified in the Form of Notification is situate who shall record the same in a book to be kept for the purpose and such book shall be kept available for inspection by the public, during office hours, free of cost.

Notification and recording thereof.

(2) The Board shall keep at its office a register of all advances made which shall contain a duplicate of the Form of Notification alphabetically indexed at the time of making the advance, and such register shall be open to the inspection of any person between the hours of 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. each weekday upon payment of a fee of one shilling for each inspection not exceeding one hour.

(3) Everything required to be done or signed by the Chairman under sub-section (1) of this section may be done or signed by the Secretary and shall be as valid and effectual as if done or signed by the Chairman.

11. Subject as hereinafter provided all moneys advanced to an owner under the authority of this Law with the interest thereon shall be—

Advance to be charged on citrus crops and citrus land of owner.

- (a) a first and preferential charge upon the citrus crops growing or to be grown on the citrus land specified in the Notification in the Form B in the Schedule to this Law ;
- (b) a first charge on the citrus land of the owner and on all machinery erected and standing thereon belonging to the owner and used and worked in connection with such citrus land :

Provided, however, that the charge hereby created on the said citrus land and machinery shall be subject to all encumbrances, estates, interests and rights affecting such citrus land and machinery, subsisting or outstanding at the date when the advance is made under this Law.

Constructive notice of advance to persons dealing with citrus land subject to the charge.

12. Notwithstanding anything in any other Law contained, or any provision of law, or rule of equity, to the contrary, immediately upon the making to an owner of an advance authorized by this Law, all persons dealing with the citrus crops, citrus land or machinery, subject to the charges created by this Law, or any interest therein, shall be deemed to have notice of such advance, and any such dealing shall, subject to the provisions of this Law, be subject to the charges created by this Law.

Conditions of advance.

13.—(1) Every owner to whom an advance shall be made under this Law shall observe the following conditions, namely:—

- (a) he shall expend the said advance in maintaining the citrus cultivation on the citrus land subject to the charge ;
- (b) he shall out of the profits and proceeds of the citrus land subject to the charge repay any amount due and payable in respect of the said advance with interest at the rate and at the times specified in the Notification in the Form B in the Schedule to this Law ;
- (c) he shall repay the said advance with interest, at the rate and at the times specified in the said Notification ;
- (d) he shall produce at such intervals as may be required by the Board or by any person thereunto authorized in writing by the Board an account showing an expenditure of the moneys advanced from time to time, vouched on oath, or in such other manner as may be required by the Board or by such person ;
- (e) he shall at all times allow inspection by the Board, of the citrus land subject to the charge and of the citrus cultivation thereon ;
- (f) he shall at all times whilst any portion of the advance remains unpaid uphold and maintain the citrus cultivation on the citrus land subject to the charge so that the security shall not deteriorate in value ;
- (g) he shall furnish to the Board, or to any person authorized by the Board in writing, full information as to any sale or sales of citrus crops subject to the charge and shall inform the Board or such person of any contract or contracts for the sale of such citrus crops.

(2) Any person who contravenes or fails to comply with any of the provisions of paragraphs (d), (e) and (g) of sub-section (1) of this section shall be guilty of an offence