



SUPPLEMENT No. 2
TO
THE CYPRUS GAZETTE No. 3020 OF 30TH APRIL, 1952
LEGISLATION

THE STATUTE LAWS OF CYPRUS

No. 9 OF 1952.

CAP. 116

A LAW TO AMEND THE MARRIAGE LAW.

[25th April, 1952.]

A. B. WRIGHT,

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 Marriage (Amendment)
Law, 1952, and shall be read as one with the Marriage Law
(hereinafter referred to as "the principal Law").

2. Section 20 of the principal Law is hereby repealed and
the following section substituted therefor:—

20. The fees specified in the Second Schedule
to this Law shall be charged and paid in respect of
the several matters specified therein.

3. The Second Schedule to the principal Law is hereby
repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

No. 10 OF 1952.

A LAW TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONSTITUTION OF SOIL CONSER-
VATION DIVISIONS AND FOR THE PREPARATION AND
ENFORCEMENT OF SOIL CONSERVATION SCHEMES AND
OTHER MATTERS CONNECTED THEREWITH.

A. B. WRIGHT,] [28th April, 1952.
Governor.

BE 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 Soil Conservation Law,
1952.

R. 16/56

2. In this Law, unless the context otherwise requires— Interpreta-
tion.

“ Board ” means a Board constituted as in section 7 provided ;

“ Commissioner ” means the Commissioner of the district within which a Soil Conservation Division has been constituted or within which an area proposed to be constituted as a Soil Conservation Division, is situate :

Provided that where a Soil Conservation Division comprises areas situated in more than one district under different Commissioners, it shall mean such Commissioner as may be nominated by the Colonial Secretary to act in respect of such Division for the purposes of this Law ;

“ mukhtar ” means the mukhtar of the town, village or quarter within which a Soil Conservation Division, constituted under the provisions of this Law, is situate :

Provided that, where such Division comprises areas situated in more than one town, village or quarter with different mukhtars, it shall mean such mukhtar as may be nominated by the Commissioner to act in respect of such Division for the purposes of this Law ;

“ property ” means land, trees, vines, springs, wells, boreholes, water and water rights whether held together with, or independently of, any land and an undivided share in any property as hereinbefore set out :

Provided that, for the purposes of sections 14, 15 and 16 and of the Schedule to this Law, it shall include buildings and other erections, structures or fixtures affixed to any land or to any building or other erection or structure ;

“ proprietor ” means any person who owns, within a Soil Conservation Division or an area proposed to be constituted as a Soil Conservation Division, property of an aggregate value, as registered or recorded in the books of the Land Registry Office, of not less than two hundred piastres :

Provided that the heirs of a deceased proprietor whose 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 property registered or recorded in the name of the deceased proprietor ;

“ Soil Conservation Division ” means a Soil Conservation Division constituted under the provisions of this Law ;

“ soil conservation measure ” means any measure applied to land for the purpose of—

(a) the prevention of soil erosion or the reclamation of land affected thereby ;

- (b) the prevention of sand drift or the reclamation of land affected thereby ;
 - (c) the protection, conservation or improvement of the land, the vegetation, the surface of the land and the soil ;
 - (d) the protection, conservation or stabilization of any water source or water supply ; or
 - (e) the betterment of any stream, river, water course or water course lands ;
- “ soil conservation works ” means any works constructed on land for any of the purposes mentioned in the definition of the words “ soil conservation measure ”.

PROVISIONAL COMMITTEE AND PREPARATION OF SCHEME FOR SOIL CONSERVATION.

Preliminary meeting and provisional committee.

3.—(1) It shall be lawful for the Commissioner, if it appears to him desirable that soil conservation measures should be applied to any area, to call a preliminary meeting of such persons as may, prima facie, appear to him to be proprietors within the area likely to be affected by such measures (hereinafter referred to as “ the area affected ”), and such persons, if they so decide, shall proceed to nominate from among themselves a provisional committee of not less than three and not more than five persons (hereinafter referred to as “ the Provisional Committee ”), which shall proceed in the manner hereinafter provided in connection with soil conservation measures within the area affected.

(2) The Director of Agriculture shall be the Chairman of the Provisional Committee.

Preparation of Soil Conservation Scheme.

4.—(1) The Provisional Committee shall, as soon as possible, after its formation, proceed to prepare a scheme for soil conservation in respect of the area affected with full particulars with regard to such scheme including—

- (a) the general measures which it is proposed to apply in connection therewith, together with an estimate of the approximate cost thereof ;
- (b) the area which may be affected by the scheme ;
- (c) the possible restrictions or regulation of grazing and of other rights or of the use of land for the prevention of soil erosion, the conservation, protection and improvement of the soil, the surface of the land, the vegetation and of the water supplies of the land.

(2) For the preparation of the scheme as in sub-section (1) provided, the Provisional Committee may seek the assistance of any other person and all costs and expenses involved in the preparation of the scheme may, subject to the Colonial Secretary's consent, be defrayed from public revenue.

FIRST MEETING OF PROPRIETORS AND APPROVAL OF SOIL CONSERVATION SCHEME.

5.—(1) When the scheme for soil conservation as provided in section 4 is completed, the Commissioner shall call a meeting of the proprietors (hereinafter referred to as “the first meeting” which expression shall include any adjournment or adjournments thereof), by causing a written notice to be posted on his office notice board and at a conspicuous place in the town, village or quarter in which the area affected is situated not less than fifteen days before the meeting, stating the day, time and place of the meeting and calling upon such proprietors to attend thereat either in person or by proxy appointed by an instrument certified by the mukhtar of the town, village or quarter in which they reside for the purpose of deciding whether the scheme for soil conservation shall be approved and a Soil Conservation Division constituted in connection therewith.

First meeting of proprietors.

(2) The Commissioner shall preside at the first meeting and, if any question is raised as to the right of any person to attend thereat or to vote or as to the number of his votes, the Commissioner may, there and then, make such enquiry as he may deem requisite, and his decision thereon shall be final; and an entry shall be made in the minutes of the meeting of any such question and of the decision.

(3) The Commissioner shall lay before the proprietors the scheme for soil conservation prepared by the Provisional Committee.

(4) No business shall be transacted at the first meeting and no decision shall be taken thereat, unless the number of votes which the proprietors or proxies present thereat may cast as in sub-section (8) provided, exceeds half the number of the votes which could be cast if all proprietors had been present.

(5) All questions or resolutions proposed at the first meeting shall be determined by a majority of not less than two-thirds of the votes cast as in sub-section (8) provided by persons present and entitled to vote.

(6) The Commissioner shall keep or cause to be kept minutes of the proceedings of the first meeting and shall enter or cause to be entered therein the questions or resolutions proposed thereat and the number of votes given for or against them and shall, at the close of the meeting, sign the minutes and publicly declare the result of votes given.

(7) If, at the first meeting, no business can be transacted by reason of the provisions of sub-section (4), the Commissioner may, at his discretion, adjourn the meeting to a day

and place to be publicly declared by him at the meeting and no further notice thereof shall be necessary :

Provided that no subject which was not contained in the notice convening the first meeting shall be discussed or considered at any adjourned meeting, unless due notice of the subject is given as provided in sub-section (1) of this section.

(8) A proprietor whose property is of an aggregate value as registered or recorded in the books of the Land Registry Office of—

- (a) not less than 200 piastres and not more than 500 piastres shall have one vote ;
- (b) more than 500 piastres and not more than 2,000 piastres shall have two votes ;
- (c) more than 2,000 piastres and not more than 5,000 piastres shall have three votes ;
- (d) more than 5,000 piastres shall have four votes.

Soil Con-
servation
Scheme.

6. A scheme for soil conservation may be approved as proposed or may be altered in such manner as may be decided at the first meeting and such scheme as may be finally approved at such meeting by the appropriate majority as in section 5 provided, shall, subject to the provisions of sections 8 and 9, constitute a scheme (hereinafter referred to as "the Soil Conservation Scheme") with regard to the area affected thereby.

Election of
Board.

7.—(1) Upon the approval of the Soil Conservation Scheme as in section 6 provided, the proprietors shall proceed at the first meeting to elect by open vote, to be taken by the Commissioner as to him shall, in all circumstances, appear convenient, a Board consisting of four persons from among the proprietors and the provisions of sub-section (8) of section 5 as to voting shall apply to the election of the Board.

(2) At the conclusion of the voting, the Commissioner shall count the votes and the persons who have received the greatest number of votes shall be declared to be elected as the Board.

(3) In case a person elected as a member of the Board does not accept his election, the person who received the greatest number of votes next to such person shall be deemed to be elected as a member of the Board in the place of the person who has not accepted his election.

(4) The persons elected as members of the Board shall hold office for three years and shall be eligible for re-election and, if any vacancy occurs in a Board, it shall be filled by the