

Amendment
of section
21 of the
principal
Law.

11. Section 21 of the principal Law is hereby amended by the deletion therefrom of the word "Commissioner" (line 7) and the substitution therefor of the words "Director of Land Registration and Surveys".

Amendment
of the
Schedule to
the principal
Law.

12. The notice set out in the Schedule to the principal Law is hereby amended by the insertion therein, immediately after the words "said lands" (line 4), of the words "who objects to the acquisition".

J. FLETCHER-COOKE,
Colonial Secretary.

7th November, 1952.

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A LAW TO MAKE BETTER PROVISION FOR THE REGISTRATION,
CONTROL AND REGULATION OF PRIVATE HOSPITALS.

A. B. WRIGHT,] *[7th November, 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 Private Hospitals (Control) Law, 1952.

2. In this Law, unless the context otherwise requires— Interpretation.

“ Director ” means the Director of Medical and Health Services and includes any person authorized by him to act for all or any of the purposes of this Law ;

“ medical practitioner ” means a medical practitioner registered under the Medical Registration Law ;

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“ private hospital ” means any hospital, convalescent home, nursing home, sanatorium or any premises used or intended to be used for the reception of persons suffering from any sickness, injury or bodily or mental infirmity and the reception of women in childbirth or immediately after childbirth for the purpose of providing such persons with nursing, medical or surgical attention whether or not any payment or reward is made or provided by or on behalf of any person so received but does not include any such hospital, convalescent home, nursing home, sanatorium or premises maintained or controlled by Government or by any local body or committee who obtain a grant-in-aid from public funds ;

“ sanatorium ” means a private hospital or a section thereof where persons, suffering from tuberculosis of any form, are ordinarily received, or intended to be ordinarily received, for the purpose of providing such persons with nursing, medical or surgical attention or where special arrangements are made for the reception of such persons for any of the aforesaid purposes.

3. No person shall establish or conduct in the Colony a private hospital, unless such hospital has been duly registered by the Director under the provisions of this Law. Registration of private hospitals.

4.—(1) Subject to the provisions of this Law, every private hospital shall be under the management, control and supervision of a medical practitioner (hereinafter referred to as “ the medical practitioner in charge ”) who shall be responsible for the carrying into effect of the provisions of this Law in the private hospital concerned : Person in charge.

Provided that, in respect of a private hospital which is a sanatorium, the medical practitioner in charge shall be a chest specialist, having acquired a qualification in that branch either in the United Kingdom or elsewhere or satisfying the Director as having obtained adequate knowledge and experience in that branch.

(2) Where more than one medical practitioner is connected with a private hospital, one of such medical practitioners shall be nominated as the medical practitioner in charge.

Registration. — 5.—(1) Application for the registration of a private hospital shall be made to the Director in the prescribed form and manner.

(2) No private hospital shall be registered unless the Director is satisfied—

(a) that the medical practitioner in charge and every other medical practitioner connected with the private hospital is in all respects a fit and proper person to conduct the work of the hospital;

(b) that the nursing staff is adequate and in conformity with the provisions of any regulations made under this Law;

(c) that the matron or other person in charge of the nursing staff is a qualified nurse registered under the Nursing and Midwifery Law, 1951;

(d) that the site, buildings and general amenities are in all respects satisfactory;

(e) that, having regard to the situation of the private hospital or the particular type of such hospital and its proximity to inhabited places or to places frequented by the public, its establishment and conduct are not contrary to the public interest;

(f) that the equipment is suitable and sufficient to meet the requirements of such private hospitals;

(g) that the private hospital contains not less than the minimum or more than the maximum number of beds in conformity with any regulations made under this Law;

(h) that the private hospital in all other respects complies with the provisions of any regulations made under this Law:

Provided that the Director shall not proceed to the registration of any sanatorium under this section unless the Governor in Council is satisfied that, having regard to its proximity to inhabited places or to places frequented by the public, its establishment and conduct are not contrary to the public interest.

(3) The Director shall keep a register of private hospitals and a register of sanatoria, both in the prescribed form, and shall record therein the prescribed particulars.

(4) On registration of a private hospital or sanatorium, the Director shall issue in respect thereof a certificate in the prescribed form, which shall be kept in a conspicuous place in the private hospital or sanatorium, as the case may be,