

Memorandum for the Cabinet by the
Minister of Justice

A Bill entitled an Act to continue in force
certain expiring regulations

The Expiring Regulations Continuance Act, 1948, continued in force certain defence regulations which were found to be of continuing necessity. The Original schedule to the Act contained no less than 37 regulations but these have now been reduced to only five, which, unless continued in force by the Bill, would otherwise expire on the 28th February, 1963. These are:-

1. Government Notice 337/1940, extending under certain circumstances the ordinary competence of the Magistrates' Courts in criminal matters.
2. Government Notice 464/1940 suspending the operation of Ordinance XXXIII of 1939.
3. Government Notice 505/1942 publishing the Agricultural and Vegetable Seed Crops Regulations, 1942.
4. Government Notice 242/1943 publishing the Agricultural Leases (Restitution of Rent) (Emergency) Regulations, 1943.
5. Government Notice 621/1945 publishing Regulations appointing Building Inspectors.

The object of the attached Bill is to continue in force the aforementioned regulations for a further period of one year pending the making of alternative provisions by permanent legislation.

Hon members are asked to recommend.

18th January, 1963.

A BILL
entitled

AN ACT to continue in force certain expiring regulations.

ENACTED by the Legislature of Malta:-

Short title
and
commencement.

1. This Act may be cited as the Expiring Regulations Continuance Act, 1963, and shall come into operation on the 1st day of March, 1963.

Continuance
in force of
certain
regulations.
Act No. LXI
of 1948.

2. (1) The regulations set out in the Schedule to the Expiring Laws Continuance Act, 1948, are hereby continued in force for a further period of one year as from the 1st day of March, 1963:

Provided that the Governor may at any time by notice in the Government Gazette revoke any such regulations, in whole or in part, or amend the same.

(2) Any order or instrument made or any direction given under the regulations continued in force by subsection (1) of this section, in so far as such order or instrument or direction is now still in force, shall be continued in force in like manner.

Objects and Reasons

The object of this Bill is to continue in force the Regulations set out in the Schedule to the Expiring Laws Continuance Act, 1948, for a further period of one year.