

specified in such notice double the amount of the unpaid stamp duty ; and on failure to make such payment within the period of time specified in such notice, the person on whom such notice was served shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to the payment of double the amount of the unpaid stamp duty and to a penalty of ten pounds. Penalty.

(3) No document shall in any criminal proceeding be inadmissible in evidence for want of a stamp. Exception.

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NO. 20 OF 1927.

TO CONTROL THE EXHIBITION OF PLACARDS, NOTICES
AND ADVERTISEMENTS.

A.D. 1927.

20 of 1927.

RONALD STORRS.]

[November 14, 1927.

BE it enacted :—

1. This Law may be cited as the Placards and Advertisements Regulation Law, 1927. Short title.

2. No bill, placard, or poster, and no notice or advertisement shall be exhibited upon any hoarding or similar structure, or on any wall, tree, pole, fence, gate or other place in the Colony except under the provisions of this Law. Exhibition of bills, placards, posters, notices and advertisements prohibited.

Provided that this section shall not apply to any notice relating to any service in a church, chapel or mosque.

Hoardings may be erected in specified places for the exhibition of advertisements by authority of a Municipal Council or Commissioner.

Notices or advertisements relating to business, etc. may be exhibited upon premises in which such business, etc. is carried on.

Municipalities may make bye-laws and levy charges.

The Governor in Council may make regulations and levy charges.

3. In a Municipal area the Municipality, or elsewhere, the Commissioner of the District, may erect or cause to be erected or authorize the erection in specified places of one or more hoardings on which notices and advertisements and other publications may be exhibited.

4. Any person may exhibit upon his own premises or upon any premises in his occupation notices or advertisements relating to the business, profession, or trade carried on in those premises.

Provided that any notice or advertisement so exhibited shall not be suspended across the street or in any way suspended or projected outwards from such premises.

5.—(1) In a Municipal area the Municipality may make bye-laws :—

(a) for levying a charge upon the exhibition of notices or advertisements exhibited in accordance with section 3 of this Law ;

(b) for regulating the size and form of notices and advertisements exhibited in accordance with section 3 and section 4 of this Law.

(2) Every bye-law made by any Municipality under this Law shall be subject to the approval of the Governor, and shall not come into force until it shall have been approved by him and published in the *Cyprus Gazette*, and shall have the force of Law from the date of such publication.

6. The Governor in Council may make regulations :—

(a) for levying a charge upon the exhibition of notices or advertisements exhibited elsewhere than in a Municipal area in accordance with section 3 of this Law ;

(b) for regulating the size and form of notices and advertisements exhibited elsewhere than in a Municipal area in accordance with section 3 and section 4 of this Law.

7. Nothing in this Law shall apply to notices exhibited by any Department of the Government of Cyprus, or by any Military or Naval or Air Force authority, or by any Judicial authority, or by any Municipal authority or by any Village authority.

Official notices of Government, local authorities, etc. excluded from the provisions of this Law.

8. Any bill, placard, poster, notice or advertisement exhibited upon any hoarding or similar structure, or on any wall, tree, pole, fence, gate or other place in the Colony or exhibited under the provisions of section 4 of this Law at the time of the making of regulations or bye-laws under this Law shall be removed by the person responsible therefor within the period of one month from the date of the coming into operation of such regulations or bye-laws, and if not so removed as aforesaid such person shall be deemed to have committed a contravention of the provisions of this Law and shall be liable to the penalties hereinafter prescribed.

Existing advertisements to be removed within one month of the date of coming into operation of regulations or bye-laws.

9. Any person committing a contravention of the provisions of this Law or of any regulations or bye-laws made thereunder shall be liable on summary conviction to a penalty not exceeding five pounds, and to a penalty not exceeding twenty shillings for every day during which the offence is continued after his conviction thereof.

Penalties.

Provided that all penalties recovered under this Law for offences committed within a municipal area shall be paid to the fund of the Municipality concerned.

10. The sub-division of section 1 of the Municipal Councils Law, 1885, relating to advertisements or notices, is hereby repealed.

Repeal of sub-division of section 1 of Law 8 of 1885 relating to advertisements or notices.

11. This Law shall come into operation on the 1st day of January, 1928.

Date of coming into operation.

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