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A.D. 1934. A LAW TO AMEND THE BELLS (REGULATION) LAW, 1931.

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H. R. PALMER,]

[31st May, 1934.

Governor.

BE it enacted :—

Short title.

18 of 1931.

Amendment
of section 4
of Law 18 of
1931.

Insertion of
new section
5A in Law
18 of 1931.

1. This Law may be cited as the Bells (Regulation) Amendment Law, 1934, and shall be read as one with the Bells (Regulation) Law, 1931, (hereinafter called “the Principal Law”), and the Principal Law and this Law may together be cited as the Bells (Regulation) Laws, 1931 and 1934.

2. Section 4 of the Principal Law is hereby amended by the deletion of the words “village or quarter” wherever those words occur therein and by the substitution therefor of the words “town or village”.

3. The Principal Law is hereby amended by the insertion immediately after section 5 of the following section :—

“Power to
Commissioner.

5A.—(1) Notwithstanding anything in this Law contained, the Commissioner may from time to time by Order, subject to such terms and conditions as may be specified therein, allow the sounding or ringing of the bells of all churches within his District, and he may at any time revoke such Order in respect of the bells of any or all churches within such District.

(2) Every Order made under sub-section (1) hereof shall be published in the *Cyprus Gazette*, and thereafter the bell of any church to which the Order relates may, as long as the Order is in force and subject to the terms and conditions specified therein, be sounded or rung.

(3) Every revocation of an Order made under this section shall be published in the *Cyprus Gazette* and shall take effect as from the date of such publication;

Provided that where such revocation relates to the bells of any particular church, such revocation shall take effect as from the date on which it is posted at some conspicuous place in the town or village in which such church is situated.

(4) Any person—

- (a) sounding or ringing the bell of any church in contravention of any term or condition specified in an Order made and published as in this section provided, or
- (b) sounding or ringing the bell of any church in respect of which an Order has been revoked as in this section provided,

shall be guilty of an offence and shall on summary conviction be liable to imprisonment not exceeding twelve months or to a fine not exceeding fifty pounds or to both such punishments :

Provided that no person shall be convicted of an offence under this sub-section if he proves to the satisfaction of the Magisterial Court trying the offence that he has sounded or rung the bell to which the offence relates in virtue of, and in accordance with the conditions contained in, a permit issued by the Commissioner under the provisions of section 3 of this Law and that such permit was in force at the time of the sounding or ringing of such bell."

This Law came into operation on 1st June, 1934.