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KAMRA TAD-DEPUTATI

ABBOZZ ta' Ligi mressaq mill-Onorevoli Josef Bonnici, M.P., Ministru għas-Servizzi Ekonomiċi, u moqri għall-Ewwel darba fis-Seduta ta' l-10 ta' Dicembru, 1999.

ATT biex jemenda l-Att dwar it-Tarzna ta' Malta, Kap. 207.

RICHARD J. CAUCHI
Skrivan tal-Kamra tad-Deputati

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

A BILL introduced by the Honourable Josef Bonnici, M.P., Minister for Economic Services, and read the First time at the Sitting of the 10th December, 1999.

AN ACT to amend the Malta Dockyard Act, Cap. 207.

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ABBOZZ TA' LIĠI msejjah

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IL-PARLAMENT, bil-parir u l-kunsens tal-Kamra tad-Deputati, imlaqqgħa f' dan il-Parlament, u bl-awtorità ta' l-iżess, hareġ b'liġi dan li ġej:-

1. It-titolu ta' dan l-Att huwa l-Att ta' l-1999 li jemenda l-Att dwar it-Tarzna ta' Malta. Dan l-Att għandu jinqara u jftichem haġa wahda ma' l-Att dwar it-Tarzna ta' Malta, hawnhekk iżjed 'il quddiem imsejjah "l-Att prinċipali". Titolu
fil-qosor.
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2. Fl-Att prinċipali minflok il-kliem "Prim Ministru" kulfejn dawn jinsabu minbarra fit-Taqsima V tiegħu, għandhom jidhlu l-kliem "Ministru responsabbli għat-Tarzna ta' Malta". Emenda ġenerali
għall-Att prinċipali.
3. L-artikolu 5 ta' l-Att prinċipali għandu jiġi emendat kif ġej: Emenda ta' l-
artikolu 5
ta' l-Att prinċipali.
 - (a) fis-subartikolu (2) tiegħu:
 - (i) minflok il-kliem "u tmien membri oħra, li erbgħa minnhom (hawnhekk iżjed 'il quddiem imsejha l-membri eletti) ikunu eletti" għandhom jidhlu l-kliem "u sitt membri oħra, li minnhom wiehed (hawnhekk iżjed 'il quddiem imsejjah il-membri eletti) ikun elett"; u

(ii) minflok il-kliem “u l-erba’ membri l-ohra” għandhom jidhlu l-kliem “u l-hames membri l-ohra”;

(b) minflok il-kliem “membru elett biex” għandhom jidhlu l-kliem “membru biex”;

(c) fis-subartikolu (4) tieghu:

(i) minflok il-kliem “mill-General Manager” għandhom jidhlu l-kliem “miċ-Chief Executive/s, il-General Manager”;

(ii) minflok il-kliem “fil-Personnel Office” għandhom jidhlu l-kliem “fl-Uffiċċju tar-Riżorsi Umani”;

(iii) minflok il-kliem “jista’ jkun membru elett” għandhom jidhlu l-kliem “jista’ jkun il-membru elett”; u

(iv) minflok il-kliem “għall-hatra ta’ membru elett” għandhom jidhlu l-kliem “għall-hatra tal-membru elett”;

(d) fis-subartikolu (5) tieghu:

(i) minflok il-kliem “il-membri eletti”, “għandhom jibqgħu” u “jiġu eletti jew mahtura” għandhom jidhlu l-kliem “il-membru elett”, “għandu jibqa’ “ u “jiġi elett jew mahtur” rispettivament; u

(ii) minflok il-kliem “żmien ta’ erba’ snin” u “ta’ erba’ snin wara” għandhom jidhlu l-kliem “żmien sentejn” u “ta’ sentejn wara”;

(e) fil-paragrafu (a) tas-subartikolu (6) tieghu minflok il-kliem “fost il-membri eletti” għandhom jidhlu l-kliem “fil-kariga tal-membru elett”;

(f) fis-subartikolu (9) tieghu:

(i) minflok il-kliem “Il-membri eletti tal-Kunsill għandhom ukoll jieqfu” għandhom jidhlu l-kliem “Il-membru elett tal-Kunsill għandu wkoll jieqaf”;

(ii) minflok il-kliem “membri eletti godda” għandhom jidhlu l-kliem “membru elett gdid”;

(iii) minflok il-kliem “lil kull wiehed mill-membri eletti tieghu u l-membri eletti għandhom jieqfu” għandhom

jidhlu l-kliem “lill-membri eletti tieghu u l-membri eletti ghandu jieqaf”;

(iv) minflok il-kliem “minghajr membri eletti sakemm dawn jigu eletti” ghandhom jidhlu l-kliem “minghajr il-membri eletti sakemm jigi eletti membri ieħor”;

(g) fis-subartikolu (10) tieghu, minflok il-kliem “tal-membri eletti tal-Kunsill jew ta’ xi wiehed jew aktar minn dawk il-membri” ghandhom jidhlu l-kliem “tal-membri eletti tal-Kunsill”; u

(h) fis-subartikolu (11) tieghu, minflok il-kliem “il-membri eletti” u “tal-kariga tagħhom” ghandhom jidhlu l-kliem “il-membri eletti” u “tal-kariga tieghu” rispettivament.

4. Fis-subartikolu (5) ta’ l-artikolu 6 ta’ l-Att prinċipali minflok il-kliem minn “ghandu ordinarjament jiltaqa’ ” sa “l-laqgħa ta’ wara” ghandhom jidhlu l-kliem “ghandu jiltaqa’ f’intervalli ta’ mhux iżjed minn erba’ ġimgħat”.

Emenda ta’ l-artikolu 6 ta’ l-Att prinċipali.

5. L-artikolu 7 ta’ l-Att prinċipali ghandu jigi emendat kif ġej:

Emenda ta’ l-artikolu 7 ta’ l-Att prinċipali.

(a) is-subartikoli (3) u (4) tieghu ghandhom jigu enumerati mill-ġdid bhala s-subartikoli (4) u (6) tieghu rispettivament;

(b) minnufih wara s-subartikolu (2) tieghu ghandu jidhol dan is-subartikolu ġdid li ġej:

“(3) Il-Kunsill ghandu, mhux aktar tard minn xahar wara tmiem kull xahar, jibgħat lill-Ministru responsabbli għat-Tarzna ta’ Malta dawk il-management accounts li jkunu jkopru x-xahar preċedenti kif preparati skond il-prattika standard ta’ kif isiru l-kontijiet.”; u

(ċ) minnufih wara s-subartikolu (4) tieghu, kif enumerat mill-ġdid, ghandu jidhol dan is-subartikolu li ġej:

“(5) Il-Kunsill ghandu, mhux iktar tard mit-30 ta’ Settembru ta’ kull sena, jibgħat lill-Ministru responsabbli għat-Tarzna ta’ Malta, għall-approvazzjoni tieghu estimi dwar is-sena finanzjarja li tkun tmiss. Il-Ministru responsabbli għat-Tarzna ta’ Malta jista’ jehtieg lill-Kunsill jagħmel dawk il-modifiki lill-estimi hekk kif jistgħu jidhrulu li jkunu xierqa.”.

6. Minnufih mad-dhul fis-seħħ ta’ dan l-Att, il-membri eletti tal-Kunsill li f’dak il-waqt ikunu fil-kariga ghandhom itemmu milli jibqgħu

Dispożizzjonijiet transitorji.

f'dik il-kariga u ghandha ssir elezzjoni tal-membru elett tal-Kunsill skond l-Att principali kif emendat bid-dispozizzjonijiet ta' dan l-Att.

Ghanijiet u Ragunijiet

L-ghan ewlieni ta' dan l-Abbozz hu sabiex jibdel l-ghamla tal-Kunsill tat-Tarzna ta' Malta billi jnaqqas l-ghadd ta' membri eletti ghal wiehed. L-Abbozz jipprovdi wkoll ghall-emendar ta' ghadd ta' provvedimenti amministrattivi.

**A BILL
entitled**

AN ACT to amend the Malta Dockyard (Amendment) Act, Cap. 207.

BE IT ENACTED by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the House of Representatives, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:-

1. The title of this Act is the Malta Dockyard (Amendment) Act 1999. This Act shall be read and construed as one with the Malta Dockyard Act, hereinafter referred to as “the principal Act”.

Short title.

Cap. 207.

2. In the principal Act for the words “Prime Minister” wherever they occur other than in Part V thereof, there shall be substituted the words “Minister responsible for Malta Drydocks”.

General amendment to the principal Act.

3. Section 5 of the principal Act shall be amended as follows:

Amendment of section 5 of the principal Act.

(a) in subsection (2) thereof:

(i) for the words “and eight other members, of whom four (hereinafter referred to as the elected members)”, there shall be substituted the words “and six other members, of whom one (hereinafter referred to as the elected member)”; and

(ii) for the words "and the four other" there shall be substituted the words "and the other five";

(b) for the words "an elected member" in subsection (3) thereof, there shall be substituted the words "a member";

(c) in subsection (4) thereof:

(i) for the words "the General Manager" there shall be substituted the words "the Chief Executive/s, the General Manager";

(ii) for the words "in the Personnel Office" there shall be substituted the words "in the Human Resources Office";

(iii) for the words "may be an elected member", there shall be substituted the words "may be the elected member"; and

(iv) for the words "post of elected member" there shall be substituted the words "post of the elected member";

(d) in subsection (5) thereof:

(i) for the words "the elected members" and "they are elected" there shall be substituted the words "the elected member " and "he is elected" respectively; and

(ii) for the words "four years" wherever they occur, there shall be substituted the words "two years";

(e) in paragraph (a) of subsection (6) thereof for the words "among the elected members" there shall be substituted the words "in the post of the elected member";

(f) in subsection (9) thereof:

(i) for the words "The elected members" there shall be substituted the words "The elected member";

(ii) for the words "of elected members" there shall be substituted the words "of another elected member";

(iii) for the words "each of the elected members of the request and the elected members" there shall be

substituted the words “the elected member of the request and the elected member”; and

(iv) for the words “without elected members until these are elected” there shall be substituted the words “without the elected member until another member is elected”;

(g) in subsection (10) thereof, for the words “the elected members of the Council or any one or more of such members,” there shall be substituted the words “the elected member of the Council”; and

(h) in subsection (11) thereof, for the words “the elected members” and “of their period of office” there shall be substituted the words “the elected member” and “of his period of office” respectively.

4. In subsection (5) of section 6 of the principal Act for the words from “shall ordinarily meet” to the words “and the next”, there shall be substituted the words “shall hold meetings at intervals of not more than four weeks”.

Amendment of section 6 of the principal Act.

5. Section 7 of the principal Act shall be amended as follows:

Amendment of section 7 of the principal Act.

(a) subsections (3) and (4) thereof shall be renumbered as subsections (4) and (6) thereof respectively;

(b) immediately after subsection (2) thereof there shall be inserted the following subsection:

“(3) The Council shall, not later than one month after the end of each month, forward to the Minister responsible for Malta Drydocks management accounts covering the preceding month prepared in accordance with standard accounting practices.”; and

(c) immediately after subsection (4) thereof, as renumbered, there shall be inserted the following subsection:

“(5) The Council shall, not later than the 30th September of each year, forward to the Minister responsible for Malta Drydocks, for his approval a budget in respect of the following financial year. The Minister responsible for Malta Drydocks may require the Council to make such modifications to the budget as he may deem appropriate.”.

6. Immediately upon the coming into force of this Act, the elected members of the Council then in office shall cease to hold office and an election of the elected member of the Council shall be held in accordance with the principal Act as amended by the provisions of this Act.

Objects and Reasons

The main object of this Bill is to change the composition of the Council of Malta Drydocks by reducing the number of elected members to one. The Bill also provides for the amendment of a number of administrative provisions.