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### MALTA

#### KAMRA TAD-DEPUTATI

#### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

ABBOZZ ta' Liġi mressaq mill-Onorevoli Chris Fearne, M.P., Deputat Prim Ministru u Ministru għall-Fondi Ewropej, Ugwaljanza, ir-Riformi u Djalogu Soċjali, u moqri għall-Ewwel darba fis-Seduta tas-27 ta' Marzu 2024.

A BILL introduced by the Honourable Chris Fearne, M.P., Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for European Funds, Equality, Reforms and Social Dialogue, and read the First time at the Sitting of the 27th March 2024.

**ATT sabiex jemenda l-Att dwar il-Vjolenza Abbaži ta' Ġeneru u Vjolenza Domestika, Kap. 581.**

**AN ACT to amend the Gender-Based Violence and Domestic Violence Act, Cap. 581.**

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Skrivan tal-Kamra tad-Deputati

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**ABBOZZ TA' LIĠI  
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IL-PRESIDENT, bil-parir u l-kunsens tal-Kamra tad-Deputati, imlaqqgħa f'dan il-Parlament, u bl-awtorità tal-istess, hareġ b'liġi dan li ġej:-

1. (1) It-titolu fil-qosor ta' dan l-Att hu l-Att tal-2024 li jemenda l-Att dwar il-Vjolenza Abbaži ta' Ġeneru u Vjolenza Domestika u dan l-Att għandu jinqara u jinftiehem haġa waħda mal-Att dwar il-Vjolenza Abbaži ta' Ġeneru u Vjolenza Domestika, hawnhekk iżjed 'il quddiem imsejjaħ "l-Att prinċipali".

Titolu fil-qosor  
u bidu fis-seħh.  
Kap. 581.

(2) Dan l-Att għandu jidhol fis-seħh f'dik id-data jew dati li l-Ministru responsabbli għall-ugwaljanza u l-Ministru responsabbli mill-Fondazzjoni għal Servizzi ta' Harsien Soċjali jistgħu, b'avviż fil-Gazzetta jistabbilixxu u jistgħu jiġu hekk stabbiliti dati differenti għal dispożizzjonijiet u, jew għanijiet differenti ta' dan l-Att.

2. L-artikolu 2 tal-Att prinċipali għandu jiġi emendat kif ġej:

Emenda tal-  
artikolu 2 tal-  
Att prinċipali.

(a) minnufih wara t-tifsira "Konvenzjoni" tiegħu għandha tiġi miżjuda t-tifsira ġdida li ġejja:

""Bord tal-MARAM" tfisser Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Meeting Board li jitaqa' sabiex jidduskuti l-kazijiet ta' vjolenza domestika li jitqiesu bħala ta'risku għoli;"

(b) it-tifsira "Ministru" tiegħu għandha tiġi sostitwita bit-tifsira ġdida li ġejja:

""Ministru" tfisser il-Ministru responsabbli mill-ugwaljanza:

Iżda fir-rigward tal-Bord tal-MARAM, il-Ministru għandu jfisser il-Ministru responsabbli mill-Fondazzjoni għal Servizzi ta' Harsien Soċjali;".

Sostituzzjoni tal-artikolu 20 tal-Att prinċipali.

**3. L-artikolu 20 tal-Att prinċipali għandu jiġi sostitwit kif ġej:**

"Setgħa għall-għemil ta' regolamenti.

20. (1) Il-Ministru jista' jagħmel regolamenti sabiex jimplimenta u biex jagħti effett aħjar għad-dispożizzjonijiet ta' dan l-Att, u mingħajr ħsara għall-ġeneralità ta' dak li ntqal qabel, jista' jippreskrivi kull haġa li għandha ssir jew li tista' tiġi preskritta u jista' jipprovdi għal kwalunkwe haġa konsegwenzjali, inċidentali għal, jew konnessa mad-dispożizzjonijiet ta' dan l-Att.

(2) Il-Ministru responsabbli mill-Fond għal Servizzi ta' Harsien Soċjali jista' jagħmel regolamenti sabiex jimplimenta u biex jagħti effett aħjar għad-dispożizzjonijiet ta' dan l-Att fir-rigward tal-Bord tal-MARAM, u mingħajr ħsara għall-ġeneralità ta' dak li ntqal qabel, jista' jippreskrivi kull haġa li għandha ssir jew li tista' tiġi preskritta u jista' jipprovdi għal kwalunkwe haġa konsegwenzjali, inċidentali għal, jew konnessa mad-dispożizzjonijiet ta' dan l-Att fir-rigward tal-Bord tal-MARAM."

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**Għanijiet u Raġunijiet**

L-għanijiet u r-raġunijiet ta' dan l-Abbozz ta' Liġi huma sabiex jipprovdu bażi legali lill-Bord tal-MARAM u kif ukoll biex il-Ministru għall-ugwaljanza jittrasferixxi l-poteri relatati mal-Bord tal-MARAM lill-Ministru responsabbli mill-Fond għal Servizzi ta' Harsien Soċjali .

**A BILL  
entitled**

*AN ACT to amend the Gender-Based Violence and Domestic Violence Act, Cap. 581.*

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.** (1) The short title of this Act is the Gender-Based Violence and Domestic Violence (Amendment) Act, 2024 and this Act shall be read and construed as one with the Gender-Based Violence and Domestic Violence Act, hereinafter referred to as the "principal Act".

Short title and commencement.  
Cap. 581.

(2) This Act shall come into force on such date or dates as the Minister responsible for equality and the Minister responsible for the Foundation for Social Welfare Services may, by notice in the Gazette establish and different dates may be so established for different provisions and, or purposes of this Act.

**2.** Article 2 of the principal Act shall be amended as follows:

Amendment of article 2 of the principle Act.

(a) immediately after the definition "gender-based violence" thereof there shall be added the following new definition:

""MARAM Board" means a Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Meeting Board which meets to discuss domestic violence cases that are considered as high-risk;"

(b) the definition "Minister" thereof shall be substituted by the following new definition:

""Minister" means the Minister responsible for equality:

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Provided that with regard the MARAM Board, the Minister shall mean the Minister responsible for the Foundation for Social Welfare Services;".

Substitution of article 20 of the principal Act.

**3.** Article 20 of the principal Act shall be substituted as follows:

"Power to make regulations.

20. (1) The Minister may make regulations to implement and give better effect to the provisions of this Act, and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, may prescribe anything which shall be done or may be prescribed and may provide for any consequential matter, incidental to or connected to, the provisions of this Act.

(2) The Minister responsible for the Foundation for Social Welfare Services may make regulations to implement and give better effect to the provisions of this Act regarding the MARAM Board, and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, may prescribe anything which shall be done or may be prescribed and provide for any consequential matter, incidental to, or connected to the provisions of this Act regarding the MARAM Board."

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**Objects and Reasons**

The objects and reasons of this Bill are to provide a legal basis for the MARAM Board and for the Minister responsible for equality to transfer the powers related to the MARAM Board to the Minister responsible for the Foundation for Social Welfare Services.



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