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BUSINESS REGULATION (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE 2022

An Ordinance to amend the Business Regulation Ordinance 2022.

PJM Squires OBE ADMINISTRATOR 15 November 2022

BE it enacted by the Administrator of the Sovereign Base Areas of Akrotiri and Dhekelia as follows:—

Short title

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Business Regulation (Amendment) Ordinance 2022.

Commencement

2. This Ordinance comes into force on 18 November 2022.

Amendment of the Business Regulation Ordinance 2022

3.—(1) The Business Regulation Ordinance 2022(**a**) is amended as follows.

⁽a) Ordinance 12/2022.

(2) In section 2 (interpretation), in the definition of "business licence holder", for "out" substitute "on".

(3) In section 5 (offences and penalties)—

- (a) in subsection (5)(b)
 - (i) for "€[x]", substitute "€10,000";
 - (ii) for "on P ceases", substitute "on which P ceases";
- (b) for subsection (6), substitute—

"(6) Where a person, having been convicted of an offence under this section, holds an extant business licence, a court may make an order revoking that business licence.";

(c) after subsection (6), insert—

"(7) Where a person ("P") has been convicted of an offence under this section, a court may make either of the following—

- (a) an order prohibiting any person from operating the business in respect of which the offence that P was convicted of relates;
- (b) an order prohibiting P from holding a business licence in the future.".

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Ordinance)

1. This explanatory note relates to the Business Regulation (Amendment) Ordinance 2022 ("the Ordinance"). It has been prepared by the Office of the Attorney General and Legal Adviser in order to assist the reader of the Ordinance. It does not form part of the Ordinance.

2. The note should be read in conjunction with the Ordinance. It is not meant to be a comprehensive description of the Ordinance.

3. Section 3 of the Ordinance amends section 5 of the Business Regulation Ordinance 2022 ("the principal Ordinance"). It includes a figure for the maximum daily fine that can be imposed on a person carrying on a business in contravention of a court order issued under section 5(3), and clarifies the Court's powers in relation to prohibiting individuals from operating further businesses after being convicted of an offence under the principal Ordinance. It also corrects some typographical errors in the principal Ordinance.

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