



SUPPLEMENT No. 2

TO

THE CYPRUS GAZETTE No. 3861 OF 22ND SEPTEMBER, 1955.

LEGISLATION.

THE STATUTE LAWS OF CYPRUS

No. 41 OF 1955.

A LAW TO AMEND THE MENTAL PATIENTS LAW.

CAP. 120
2 of 1954.

J. FLETCHER-COOKE,] [12th September, 1955.
Officer Administering the Government.

BE it enacted by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of Cyprus as follows:—

1. This Law may be cited as the Mental Patients (Amendment) Law, 1955, and shall be read as one with the Mental Patients Law (hereinafter referred to as "the principal Law").

Short title.
Cap. 120
2 of 1954.

Amendment of the principal Law by the insertion of new sections 9A and 9B.

2. The principal Law is hereby amended by the insertion therein, immediately after section 9, of the following new sections 9A and 9B :—

“Apprehension of persons of unsound mind wandering at large.

9A. Any police officer who has reasonable grounds for believing that any person wandering at large is of unsound mind and by reason thereof dangerous shall immediately apprehend and, subject to section 9B, take that person, or cause him to be apprehended and taken, before the Court to be dealt with under the provisions of this Law.

Removal of person of unsound mind to Mental Hospital in certain cases.

9B. If a Medical Officer or a police officer not below the rank of Inspector is satisfied that it is necessary for the public safety or the welfare of a person alleged to be of unsound mind with regard to whom it is his duty to take any proceedings under this Law, that the said person should, before any such proceedings are taken, be placed under care and control, the Medical Officer or police officer may remove the said person to a mental hospital or observation ward designated by the Director of Medical Services for the purposes of this section, and the person in charge of the said hospital or observation ward shall receive and detain the said person therein, but no person shall be detained under this section for more than three days.”.

12th September, 1955.

J. W. SYKES,
Acting Colonial Secretary.