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AN ACT to amend the law with respect to quarantine and to provide for related matters.

1. Declaration of place as infected

Where a place is an infected place within the meaning of the Regulations, the Minister may, by executive instrument, declare that place to be an infected place.²⁽²⁾

2. Regulations

(1) The Minister may, by legislative instrument, make Regulations

- (a) for the purpose of preventing the introduction of disease into the Republic or a part of the Republic, from an infected place, or
- (b) for the purpose of preventing the transmission of disease from the Republic into any other country.

(2) The Regulations shall apply to the whole of the Republic or to a part of the Republic mentioned in the Regulations.³⁽³⁾

(3) The Regulations may prescribe the person by whom the expenses of carrying out the Regulations or an order made under this Act shall be borne and paid and the persons from whom the expenses incurred or charged by the Government may be recovered.

3. Appointment of officers

The Minister may by writing signed personally by the Minister appoint a fit and proper person to be an officer as may be necessary to enforce and carry out this Act.

4. Appointment of sanitary stations, anchorages

The Minister may provide sanitary stations, buildings and equipment, and may by executive instrument, appoint the sanitary anchorages that are necessary for the purposes of this Act.

5. Penalties

A person who contravenes a regulation or an instrument made under this Act commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding two hundred penalty units or to a term of imprisonment not exceeding six months.

6. Legal proceedings

Proceedings for recovering a fine or imposing a term of imprisonment for the breach of or for recovering the expenses incurred or charged by the Government in carrying out a regulation or an executive instrument made under this Act may be commenced before and determined by a Magistrate.⁴⁽⁴⁾

7. Interpretation

In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,

“**Minister**” means the Minister responsible for Health;

“**Regulations**” means the Regulations made under section 2.

Endnotes

1 (Popup - Footnote)

1. The Act was assented to on 2nd March, 1915. It was Chapter 67 of the McCarthy Edition and Chapter 77 of the McElvine Edition of the Laws of the Gold Coast.

2 (Popup - Footnote)

2. Amended by section 6 of No. 27 of 1932.

3 (Popup - Footnote)

3. Amended by section 3 of No. 12 of 1938.

4 (Popup - Footnote)

4. Amended by section 3 of No. 13 of 1935.