

I assent.

(L.S.)

CENSU TABONE
President

21st July, 1992

ACT No. XI of 1992

AN ACT to amend the Public Transport Authority Act, 1989

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) This Act may be cited as the Public Transport Authority (Amendment) Act, 1992, and shall be read and construed as one with the Public Transport Authority Act, 1989, hereinafter referred to as "the principal Act".

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commencement.
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of 1989.

(2) The provisions of sections 2, 3 and 6 of this Act shall be deemed to have come into force on the 17th April, 1989.

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

Amendment of
section 2
of the
principal Act.

(a) in the definition of "public transport" for the words "against compensation;" there shall be substituted the words "against compensation, and includes the hiring of self-drive cars;"; and

(b) immediately after the definition of "public transport employee" there shall be inserted the following new definition:

" "self-drive car" means any vehicle, propelled with mechanical power, which is licensed and/or registered to be hired from a Public Service Garage for the purpose of being driven by a hirer; it may, however, be driven by the garage owner, or by any person in his regular employment holding a special driving licence, to convey passengers for hire, provided that any passenger hiring it consents to the use of such self-drive car in lieu of a motor-car for hire; ".

Amendment of
section 14
of the
principal Act.

3. Section 14 of the principal Act shall be amended as follows:—

(a) for paragraph (c) of subsection (1) thereof, there shall be substituted the following:

“(c) be responsible for monitoring the prompt and due execution of the policy and other decisions of the Authority relating to that sector.”; and

(b) in subsection (3) thereof, for the words “subsections (4), (5) and (8) of section 3” there shall be substituted the words “paragraph (a) of subsection (4), and of subsections (5) and (8) of section 3”.

Amendment of
section 18
of the
principal Act.

4. For the words “Not less than one sitting” in subsection (5) of section 18 of the principal Act, there shall be substituted the words “Not more than one sitting”.

Amendment of
section 27
of the
principal Act.

5. In paragraph (p) of subsection (2) of section 27 of the principal Act, for the words “provided that no such penalty shall be greater than as laid down in the Criminal Code (Chapter 9) in respect of contraventions” there shall be substituted the words “provided that no such penalty shall be greater than a fine (*multa*) of Lm5,000 or imprisonment for a term of six months or to both such fine and imprisonment”.

Amendment of
Maltese text
of section 28
of the
principal Act.

6. In the Maltese text of subsection (3) of section 28 of the principal Act, for the words “fi żmien xahrejn” there shall be substituted the words “fi żmien sitt xhur”.

Passed by the House of Representatives at Sitting No. 39 of the 15th July, 1992.

LAWRENCE GONZI
Speaker

RICHARD J. CAUCHI
Clerk to the House of Representatives.

