

I assent.

(L.S.)

ANTON BUTTIGIEG
President

1st February, 1980

ACT No. III of 1980

AN ACT further to amend the National Assistance Act, 1956.

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:—

Short title and commencement.

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the National Assistance (Amendment) Act, 1980, and shall be read and construed as one with the National Assistance Act, 1956, hereinafter referred to as “the principal Act”.

(2) This Act shall have effect from the 17th day of November, 1979.

Amendment of the First Schedule to the principal Act.

2. For Paragraph One of the First Schedule to the principal Act there shall be substituted the following:

“Paragraph One

(i) With effect from 17th November, 1979

Number of Persons in Household	Column A £	Column B £	Column C £
1	10.11,0	9.64,0	3.32,0
2	12.26,0	11.64,0	3.97,0
3	13.96,0	13.29,0	4.52,0
4	15.56,0	14.84,0	5.07,0
5	16.96,0	16.14,0	5.47,0
6	18.16,0	17.29,0	5.87,0
7	19.16,0	18.29,0	6.17,0
8	20.06,0	19.14,0	6.47,0
9	20.61,0	19.64,0	6.67,0
10	21.11,0	20.14,0	6.82,0
11	21.61,0	20.59,0	6.97,0
12 or more	22.11,0	21.09,0	7.12,0

(ii) With effect from 5th January, 1980

Number of Persons in Household	Column A £	Column B £	Column C £
1	11.13,0	10.60,0	3.65,0
2	13.28,0	12.60,0	4.30,0
3	14.98,0	14.25,0	4.85,0
4	16.58,0	15.80,0	5.40,0
5	17.98,0	17.10,0	5.80,0
6	19.18,0	18.25,0	6.20,0
7	20.18,0	19.25,0	6.50,0
8	21.08,0	20.10,0	6.80,0
9	21.63,0	20.60,0	7.00,0
10	22.13,0	21.10,0	7.15,0
11	22.63,0	21.55,0	7.30,0
12 or more	23.13,0	22.05,0	7.45,0

(iii) With effect from 2nd February, 1980

Number of Persons in Household	Column A £	Column B £	Column C £
1	11.64,0	11.09,0	3.82,0
2	13.79,0	13.09,0	4.47,0
3	15.49,0	14.73,0	5.02,0
4	17.09,0	16.29,0	5.57,0
5	18.49,0	17.59,0	5.97,0
6	19.69,0	18.74,0	6.37,0
7	20.69,0	19.74,0	6.67,0
8	21.59,0	20.59,0	6.97,0
9	22.14,0	21.09,0	7.17,0
10	22.64,0	21.59,0	7.32,0
11	23.14,0	22.04,0	7.47,0
12 or more	23.64,0	22.54,0	7.62,0

In each case —

Column A shall apply where the household does not own house of residence or part thereof.

Column B shall apply where the household owns house of residence or part thereof the value of which does not exceed £750.

Column C shall apply where the household owns house of residence or part thereof the value of which does not exceed £3,000.”.

3. For the Sixth Schedule to the principal Act there shall be substituted the following:

Substitution of
the Sixth
Schedule to the
principal Act.

“SIXTH SCHEDULE

Section 9

*Amounts of Sickness Assistance, Milk Grant, Leprosy Assistance
and Tuberculosis Assistance*

PART I

Sickness Assistance, Milk Grant and Leprosy Assistance

		Weekly Rate		
		With effect from		
		17 November 1979	5 January 1980	2 February 1980
		£	£	£
1.	Sickness Assistance —			
	(i) in respect of the first member of the household	3.05,0	3.18,0	3.25,0
	(ii) in respect of any other member of the same household ...	1.23,0	1.28,0	1.31,0
2.	Milk Grant	1.77,0	1.85,0	1.89,0
3.	Leprosy Assistance —			
	(i) in respect of the head of household who is a leper	5.84,0	6.09,0	6.22,0
	(ii) in respect of every other member of the household who is a leper and not gainfully occupied —			
	(a) if under 16 years of age	1.77,0	1.85,0	1.89,0
	(b) if 16 years of age or over that age	5.84,0	6.09,0	6.22,0
	(iii) in respect of any other member of the household who is not gainfully occupied	1.77,0	1.85,0	1.89,0

PART II

Tuberculosis Assistance

1.	Basic amount of tuberculosis assistance payable in respect of a household one member of which is affected by tuber- culosis	3.90,0	4.08,0	4.16,0
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2. Allowance payable in respect of each additional member of the household affected by or particularly vulnerable to tuberculosis 0.81,0 0.85,0 0.87,0.”.

4. In sub-paragraph (e) of paragraph (vi) of the proviso to item (b) of sub-paragraph (1) of paragraph 1 of the Seventh Schedule to the principal Act, immediately after the words “the Old Age Pensions Act, 1948;” there shall be inserted the words “so however that in the case of a head of household who is wholly maintaining his wife and who was in receipt of sickness assistance at any time during December, 1979, the part to be taken into account in accordance with this sub-paragraph shall not exceed £5.50 per week;”.

Amendment of
the Seventh
Schedule to the
principal Act.

Passed by the House of Representatives at Sitting No. 350 of the 29th January, 1980.

C. AGIUS
Speaker

C. MIFSUD
Clerk to the House of Representatives