

**THIRD SUPPLEMENT TO THE GIBRALTAR  
GAZETTE**

No. 3567 of 23rd November, 2006

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B. 41/06

**BILL**

**FOR**

**AN ORDINANCE** to amend the Trade Unions and Trade Disputes Ordinance and to ensure compliance with Article 8 of Regulation (EEC) No 1612/68 of the Council of 15 October 1968 on freedom of movement for workers within the Community.

**ENACTED** by the Legislature of Gibraltar.

**Title and Commencement.**

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Trade Unions and Trade Disputes (Amendment) Ordinance 2006 and comes into operation on the date appointed by the Minister by Notice in the Gazette.

**Amendments to the Trade Unions and Trade Disputes Ordinance.**

2. The Trade Unions and Trade Disputes Ordinance is amended as follows—

(a) in section 2 before the definition of “trade union” insert—

““Minister” means Minister with responsibility for employment;”;

(b) in section 5, for “Subject to the provisions of section 8, any”, substitute “Any”;

(c) delete section 8;

(d) in section 18(a), for “wife” substitute “spouse”;

(e) in section 21 insert, after subsection (2)—

- “(3) Nothing in this section shall affect the liability of a trade union or any official thereof to be sued under the Equal Opportunities Ordinance 2006.”; and
- (f) in sections 3, 13, 25, 30, 31, 32 and 33, each time it appears, for “Governor” substitute “Minister”.

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#### **EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM**

This Bill makes amendments consequent on the enactment of the Equal Opportunities Ordinance 2006, eliminates sex discrimination from the Ordinance and ensures compliance with Article 8 of European Regulation 1612/68 and the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement.

It also transfers responsibility for trade union matters including the appointment of the Registrar of Trade Unions from the Governor to the Minister with responsibility for employment.