

**THIRD SUPPLEMENT TO THE GIBRALTAR
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BILL

FOR

AN ACT to amend the Housing Act 2007.

ENACTED by the Legislature of Gibraltar.

Title and commencement.

1. This Act may be cited as the Housing (Amendment) Act 2017 and comes into operation on the day appointed by the Minister by notice published in the Gazette.

Amendments to the Housing Act 2007.

1.(1) The Housing Act 2007 is amended in accordance with this section.

(2) In section 2 of Part I the Housing Act 2007 after the definition “committee” insert-

““conditions of occupation of premises” referred to in section 30(a) of the Housing Act 2007 shall mean and include the following (without limitation)-

- (a) the terms of an agreement;
- (b) the level of rents and other charges payable by a tenant of public housing;
- (c) the method of payment of rents and other charges to include (without limitation) the payment / recovery of arrears of rent;

- (d) the use of public housing including (without limitation) the number of occupiers;
- (e) the state of repair, maintenance, character and condition of public housing including fitness and suitability as accommodation, safety from fire and health hazards, electrical installations and interior fixtures and fittings; and
- (f) such other conditions as may be determined by the Housing Authority in its sole discretion from time to time by notice published in the Gazette.”

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill amends the Housing Act 2007 by defining the “conditions of occupation of premises” by tenants of public housing.

This amendment extends the powers available to the Minister with responsibility for housing to make regulations prescribing the conditions of occupation of premises by tenants of public housing pursuant to section 30(a) of the Housing Act 2007.

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