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BILL

FOR

AN ACT to amend the Pensions Act.

ENACTED by the Legislature of Gibraltar.

Short title and Commencement.

1. This Act may be cited as the Pensions (Amendment No. 2) Act 2015 and comes in to operation on the day appointed by the Government by notice in the Gazette.

Amendment of the Pensions Act.

- 2. (1) The Pensions Act is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 2 after the definition of "civil partners" insert-
 - ""customs officer" has the same meaning given under section 2 of the Imports and Exports Act, 1986;"
- (3) In section 8(2)-
 - (a) for "fire officer, police officer or prison officer" substitute "fire officer, police officer, prison officer or customs officer";
 - (b) in the proviso for "police, fire or prison officer or officers" substitute "police, fire, prison or customs officer or officers".
- (4) After section 8(2) insert-

"Customs officers retiring from public service subject to an Early Exit Scheme Agreement.

- 8A.(1) The provisions of section 8(2) do not apply to a customs officer until the 1 April 2018 ("the Effective Date").
- (2) Until the Effective Date, a customs officer who retires from public service is subject to the terms of the approved Early Exit Scheme Agreement published by notice in the Gazette.".

Amendment of the Pensions Regulations.

- 3.(1) The Pensions Regulations are amended as follows.
- (2) In the proviso to regulation 4(1) for "police officer, a prison officer or a fire officer as a police officer, prison officer or fire officer" substitute "police officer, a prison officer, a fire officer or a customs officer as a police officer, prison officer, fire officer or customs officer".
- (3) After regulation 4(1) insert-

"(1A) The provisions of regulation 4(1) do not apply to a customs officer until the 1 April 2018.".

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill amends the Pensions Act and the Pensions Regulations with the inclusion of "customs officers" for the purposes of compulsory retirement and calculation of pensionable service.

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