

SIGNED this 16th day of October, 1973.

S. I. KOROMA,
Acting President.

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The Business Registration (Amendment) Act, 1973

Short title.

[16th October, 1973.] Date of commencement.

BE IT ENACTED by the President and Members of Parliament in this present Parliament assembled, as follows:—

1. Section 3 of the Business Registration Act, 1972 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act) is hereby repealed and replaced by the following new section—

Repeal and replacement of section 3 of Act No. 17 of 1972.

“Obligation to register business.

3. Subject to the provisions of this Act, it shall not be lawful for any person to carry on any business unless such business shall have been validly registered and licensed in accordance with the provisions of this Act.”

Amendment
of section 4 of
Act No. 17 of
1972.

2. Section 4 of the principal Act is hereby amended as follows—
- (a) by the insertion immediately after the word “registered” in line 2 of subsection (1) thereof of the words “or licensed”;
- (b) by the substitution of a comma for the semi-colon at the end of paragraph (b) of subsection (2) thereof and by the addition immediately thereafter of the following—
“and particulars of the branches thereof in Sierra Leone;”; and
- (c) by the substitution of a comma for the semi-colon at the end of paragraph (e) of subsection (2) thereof and by the addition immediately thereafter of the following—
“and in the case of an application for a licence, the date of registration of the business;”.

Amendment
of section 5
of Act No. 17
of 1972.

3. Section 5 of the principal Act is hereby amended as follows—
- (a) by the repeal and replacement of subsection (1) thereof by the following new subsection—
“ (1) If satisfied—
(a) that the particulars contained in the application are correct and sufficient,
(b) that the provisions of this Act have been fully complied with; and
(c) that the business is registrable and licensable under the provisions of this Act,
the Registrar shall, upon payment to him of the prescribed fee, register or, as the case may be, license the business, and make entries thereof in a register kept by him for that purpose.”; and
- (b) by the insertion immediately after the word “registration” in line 1 of subsection (3) thereof of the words “or the grant of a licence”.

Amendment
of section 6
of Act No. 17
of 1972.

4. Section 6 of the principal Act is hereby amended as follows—
- (a) by the repeal and replacement of subsection (1) thereof by the following new subsection—
“ (1) Upon the registration, or the licensing, of any business under section 5, the Registrar shall forthwith deliver to the proprietor of the business a certificate of registration or, as the case may be, a licence, thereof.”;
- (b) by the insertion immediately after the word “registration” in line 1 of subsection (2) thereof of the words “or the licence”;

(c) by the insertion immediately after the word "registration" in line 1 of subsection (3) thereof of the words "or the licence"; and

(d) by the insertion immediately after the word "registered" in line 2 of subsection (4) thereof of the words "or licensed".

5. Section 7 of the principal Act is hereby amended by the insertion immediately after the word "shall" in line 3 thereof of the following—

Amendment of section 7 of Act No. 17 of 1972.

" , unless exempted therefrom by any Rules made under section 14, "

6. Section 8 of the principal Act is hereby repealed and replaced by the following new section—

Repeal and replacement of section 8 of Act No. 17 of 1972.

Annual renewal of registration. 8. (1) Every licence issued under this Act shall be renewed annually not later than the 31st day of January of every year on payment of the prescribed fee, and shall become invalid unless so renewed.

(2) For the purpose of obtaining a renewal of a licence the proprietor shall submit an application to the Registrar in the prescribed form not later than the 7th day of January in each year.

(3) The provisions of sections 4 and 5 shall apply to an application for renewal under this section."

7. Section 9 of the principal Act is hereby amended—

(a) by deleting the symbol "(1)" denoting the subsection;

(b) by the repeal of subsection (2) thereof; and

(c) by the substitution of the word "licence" for the words "certificate of registration" and "certificate of renewal of registration" wherever they occur in that section.

Amendment of section 9 of Act No. 17 of 1972.

8. Section 10 of the Principal Act is hereby amended by the deletion of the words "certificate of registration" in line 3 thereof and by the substitution therefor of the word "licence".

Amendment of section 10 of Act No. 17 of 1972.

9. Section 11 of the principal Act is hereby amended as follows—

Amendment of section 11 of Act No. 17 of 1972.

(a) by the deletion of the words "renewal thereof" in line 2 of subsection (1) thereof and by the substitution therefor of the word "licence"; and

(b) by the deletion of the words "or renewal thereof" immediately after the word "registration" in lines 1 and 2 of subsection (2) thereof and by the substitution therefor of the words "of a business or the licence thereof".

10. Section 14 of the principal Act is hereby amended as follows—

Amendment of section 14 of Act No. 17 of 1972.

(a) by the repeal and replacement of paragraph (b) thereof by the following new paragraph—

“ (b) prescribing the fees to be paid under this Act; ” ;

(b) by the insertion of the words “ or licensing ” immediately after the word “ registration ” in line 2 of paragraph (c) thereof; and

(c) by the substitution of a comma for the semi-colon immediately after the word “ business ” in line 2 of paragraph (c) thereof and the addition immediately thereafter of the following—

“ and exempting the proprietor from the delivery of any particulars required to be delivered under section 7 ; ” .

Passed in Parliament this *12th* day of *September*, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventy-three.

A. M. DUMBUYA,
Acting Clerk of Parliament.

THIS PRINTED IMPRESSION has been carefully compared by me with the Bill which has passed Parliament and found by me to be a true and correctly printed copy of the said Bill.

A. M. DUMBUYA,
Acting Clerk of Parliament.