

**THIRD SUPPLEMENT TO THE GIBRALTAR
GAZETTE**

No. 4,411 of 16th November, 2017

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BILL

FOR

AN ACT to amend the Legal Aid and Assistance Act and for connected purposes.

ENACTED by the Legislature of Gibraltar.

Title.

1. This Act may be cited as the Legal Aid and Assistance (Amendment) Act 2017.

Commencement.

2. This Act comes into operation on the day of publication.

Amendment of the Legal Aid and Assistance Act.

3.(1) The Legal Aid and Assistance Act is amended in accordance with the provisions of this section.

(2) In section 7(2) for–

- (a) “four months” substitute “six months”; and
- (b) “of £100” substitute “not exceeding level 4 on the standard scale”.

(3) In section 13 (1) after “or such other figure” insert “, which may be calculated by means of a formula,” in both instances it appears.

(4) In section 20(1) for “of £100” substitute “not exceeding level 4 on the standard scale”.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill amends the Legal Aid and Assistance Act in order to increase penalties for making false declarations in support of a claim for legal aid or legal assistance and allows for financial eligibility for legal assistance to be calculated by way of formula.

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