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A LAW FURTHER TO AMEND THE POLICE LAWS,
1878 TO 1933.

24 of 1934.

H. R. PALMER,]
Governor.

[23rd May, 1934.

BE it enacted :—

Short title.

2 of 1878.
18 of 1927.
11 of 1929.
66 of 1932.
3 of 1933.Insertion of
new sections
in Law 2
of 1878.

1. This Law may be cited as the Police (Amendment) Law, 1934, and shall be read as one with the Police Laws, 1878 to 1933, (hereinafter called "the Principal Law"), and the Principal Law and this Law may together be cited as the Police Laws, 1878 to 1934.

2. The Principal Law is hereby amended by the insertion immediately after section 7 of the following sections :—

" Special
Constables.

7A. Whenever it shall appear that any tumult, riot or outrage has taken place, or may be reasonably apprehended in any place, and that the ordinary police officers are not sufficient for the preservation of the peace, the protection of the inhabitants and the security of property, it shall be lawful for the Chief Commandant or any Local Commandant of Police to appoint so many of the residents in the neighbourhood as may be required, to act as Special Constables for such time and in such manner as he shall deem necessary.

Powers of
Special
Constables
when
appointed.

7B. Every Special Constable so appointed shall have the same powers, privileges and protection, and be liable to all such duties and penalties, and be subordinate to the same authority, as members of the Cyprus Military Police.

Penalty for
refusal to
serve.

7C. If any person being appointed a Special Constable as aforesaid and being called upon to serve shall, without sufficient excuse, neglect or refuse to serve as such, or to obey such lawful order or direction as may be given him for the performance of the duties of his office, he shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable to imprisonment not exceeding three months or to a fine not exceeding ten pounds or to both, for every such neglect, refusal, or disobedience.

Form of oath
for Special
Constables.

7D. Every Special Constable shall upon enrolment take and subscribe the following oath, according to the form prescribed by his religion, to be administered by the Chief Commandant or a Local Commandant of Police:—

I, _____, of _____, do solemnly and sincerely declare that I will well and truly serve Our Sovereign Lord the King in the office of Special Constable for the District of _____ without favour or affection, malice or ill-will, and that I will, to the best of my power, cause the peace to be kept and preserved, and prevent all offences against persons and the property of His Majesty and his subjects; and that while I continue to hold such office I will, to the best of my skill and knowledge, discharge all the duties thereof faithfully according to law.

Allowances
to Special
Constables.

7E. The Governor may order to be paid out of the Revenue of Cyprus such reasonable allowances to Special Constables for their trouble, loss of time and expenses as he may think fit and the reasonable cost of their transport and may order that any sums so expended be recovered from the inhabitants of the district or place where the services of such Special Constables were required in such manner as the Governor may direct."

This Law came into operation on 25th May, 1934.
