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AN BILLE PRAGHSANNA (LEASÚ), 1965  
 PRICES (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1965

Mar a tugadh isteach

As introduced

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

Section

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 measures in  
 relation to  
 prices and  
 charges.

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(a) enquire into -

(i) the prices charged for a specified commodity or specified commodities or for any commodities as respects the prices for which the Minister is satisfied that an inquiry should be held,

(No. 21 of 1965)



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PRICES (AMENDMENT) BILL 1965

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2. Short title and collective citation.

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AN ACT TO AMEND AND EXTEND THE PRICES ACT, 1958.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE OIREACHTAS AS FOLLOWS:

Amendment of  
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1958.  
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following, that is to say :-

(a) enquire into - the Minister may

(i) the prices charged for a  
specified commodity or specified  
commodities or for any

(c) require any person to furnish to the  
Minister any books, documents or records  
satisfied that an inquiry should  
be held,



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22A. (1) Whenever and so often as the Government are satisfied that the condition of the national economy is such that it is necessary to maintain stability of prices generally, the Government may by order authorise and empower the Minister to do from time to time any or all or some of the following, that is to say:-

(a) enquire into -

(i) the prices charged for a

specified commodity or specified

commodities or for any

commodities as respects the

prices for which the Minister is

satisfied that an inquiry should

be held,



- for enabling him to perform his
- (ii) the charges made for rendering a specified service or specified services or for any services as respects the charges for which the Minister is satisfied that an inquiry should be held,
- (iii) the charges made for carrying out (other than under a contract of service) specified work or any work as respects the charges for which the Minister is satisfied that an inquiry should be held, and
- (iv) the charges made for carrying out (other than under a contract of service) a specified process or specified processes or any processes as respects the charges for which the Minister is satisfied that an inquiry should be held,
- and
- (b) require any person to furnish to the Minister any information in his possession that the Minister may reasonably require for enabling him to exercise his functions under this Part,
- (c) require any person to furnish to the Minister any books, documents or records in his power, possession or control that the Minister may reasonably require



(iii) the charges made for carrying out a specified service or specified services or for any services as respects the charges for which the Minister is satisfied that an inquiry should be held,

(iii) the charges made for carrying out (other than under a contract of service) specified work or any work as respects the charges for which the Minister is satisfied that an inquiry should be held, and

(iv) the charges made for carrying out (other than under a contract of service) a specified process or specified processes or any process as respects the charges for which the Minister is satisfied that an inquiry should be held,

(v) require any person to furnish to the Minister any information in his possession that the Minister may reasonably require for enabling him to exercise his functions under this Part,

(vi) require any person to furnish to the Minister any books, documents or records in his power, possession or control that the Minister may reasonably require



for enabling him to perform his  
such period before such making,  
functions under this Part,  
as may be specified in the order,

(d) by order fix -

(i) in relation to all services or a  
(i) the maximum prices at which  
specified services or specified  
commodities or a specified  
services that the charges made  
commodity or specified  
for rendering the service or  
commodities may be sold,  
services shall be those obtaining

(ii) the maximum charges which may  
be made for rendering services  
or a specified service or  
specified services,

(iii) the maximum charges which may  
be made for carrying out (other  
than under a contract of service)  
specified work, therefor shall

(iv) the maximum charges which may be  
made for carrying out (other than  
under a contract of service) a  
specified process or specified  
processes,

and

(e) by order provide - processes or a

(i) in relation to all commodities  
or a specified commodity or  
specified commodities that the  
prices charged for the commodity  
or commodities shall be those  
obtaining at such time before  
the making of the order or during



for enabling him to perform his

functions under this part,

(d) by order fix -

(i) the maximum prices at which

commodities or a specified

commodity or specified

commodities may be sold,

(ii) the maximum charges which may

be made for rendering services

or a specified service or

specified services,

(iii) the maximum charges which may

be made for carrying out (other

than under a contract of service)

specified work,

(iv) the maximum charges which may be

made for carrying out (other than

under a contract of service) a

specified process or specified

processes,

and

(e) by order provide -

(i) in relation to all commodities

or a specified commodity or

specified commodities that the

business obtained for the commodity

or commodities shall be those

obtaining at such time, before

the making of the order or during



(2) An order made by the Government under this section may define or specify a commodity, a service, work or a process in such manner and by reference to such matters as the Government think proper.

(ii) in relation to all services or a specified service or specified

(3) An order made by the Government under this section shall remain in force for such period (not exceeding six months from the date of the making thereof) as the Government think proper and specify in the order and shall then expire, unless continued in force by an order made under subsection 4 of this section.

(4) Where

(iii) in relation to the carrying out

(otherwise than under a contract

of service) of specified work

that the charges therefor shall

be those obtaining at such time

before the making of the order

or during such period before such

making, as may be specified in

the order, and

(iv) in relation to the carrying out

(otherwise than under a contract

of service) of processes or a

specified process or specified

processes that the charges therefor

shall be those obtaining at such

time before the making of the order

or during such period before such

making, as may be specified in the

order.

the date on which the principal order would but for the continuance



such period before such making,  
as may be specified in the order,

(ii) in relation to all services or a  
specified service or specified  
services that the charges made  
for rendering the service or  
services shall be those obtaining  
at such time before the making  
of the order or during such period  
before such making, as may be  
specified in the order,

(iii) in relation to the carrying out  
(otherwise than under a contract  
of service) of specified work  
that the charges therefor shall  
be those obtaining at such time  
before the making of the order  
or during such period before such  
making, as may be specified in  
the order, and

(iv) in relation to the carrying out  
(otherwise than under a contract  
of service) of processes or a  
specified process or specified  
processes that the charges therefor  
shall be those obtaining at such  
time before the making of the order  
or during such period before such  
making, as may be specified in the  
order.



(2) An order made by the Government under this section may define or specify a commodity, a service, work or a process in such manner and by reference to such matters as the Government think fit.

(3) An order made by the Government under this section shall remain in force for such period (not exceeding six months from the date of the making thereof) as the Government think proper and specify in the order and shall then expire, unless continued in force by an order made under subsection 4 of this section.

(4) Where -

(a) there is for the time being in force an order (in this subsection referred to as the principal order) made by the Government under subsection (1) of this section declaring,

(b) the Government are satisfied that the condition of the national economy is such that the principal order should be continued in force,

the following provisions shall have effect -

(i) the Government may by order (in this subsection referred to as a continuance order) made before the expiration of the principal order, continue the principal order in force for such period (not exceeding six months from the date on which the principal order would but for the continuance



(2) An order made by the Government under this section may define or specify a commodity, a service, work or a process in such manner and by reference to such matters as the Government think fit.

(3) An order made by the Government under this section shall remain in force for such period (not exceeding six months from the date of the making thereof) as the Government think proper and specify in the order and shall then expire, unless continued in force by an order made under subsection 4 of this section.

(4) Where -

(a) there is for the time being in force an order (in this subsection referred to as the principal order) made by the Government under subsection (1) of this section desiring,

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(1) The Government may by order (in this subsection referred to as a continuance order) made before the expiration of the principal order, continue the principal order in force for such period (not exceeding six months from the date on which the principal order would but for the continuance



Provisions  
in relation  
to orders  
of Minister.

(6) Every order (order expire) as the Government think proper and specify in the continuance order, and may thereafter published in the Irish.

22B.(1) Where, during the continuance in force of an order made by the Government under subsection (1) of section 22A of this Act, the Minister makes an order by virtue of this Part, the latter order shall, if not previously revoked, expire on the expiration of the order made by the Government.

(2) An order made by the Minister by virtue of this Part may -

(a) define or specify a commodity or service, work or process in such manner and by reference to such matters as the Minister thinks fit,

(ii) if only one continuance order

(b) define or specify a commodity or service, work or process in such manner and by reference to such matters as the Minister thinks fit, which shall continue in force until the expiration of the period for which it is continued in,

(c) relate to the whole State or to a particular area in the State, and shall then expire,

(iii) if two or more continuance orders are made, the principal order shall continue in force until the expiration of the period for which

(d) fix a maximum price or charge by specifying it or by setting out provisions by means of which it may be ascertained, and shall then expire. (e) contain provisions relating to the commodity or service to which the order relates shall be sold only in specified units of weight



order expires) as the Government  
think proper and specify in the  
continuance order, and may thereafter  
from time to time by order (in this  
subsection also referred to as a  
continuance order), made before  
the expiration of the principal  
order under the last previous  
continuance order, continue the  
principal order in force for such  
period (not exceeding six months  
from the date on which the principal  
order would have expired under the  
last previous continuance order) as  
the Government think proper and  
specify in the continuance order,

(ii) if only one continuance order  
is made, the principal order  
shall continue in force until  
the expiration of the period  
for which it is continued in  
force by that continuance order,  
and shall then expire,

(iii) if two or more continuance orders  
are made, the principal order shall  
continue in force until the  
expiration of the period for which  
it is continued in force by the  
last of those continuance orders,  
and shall then expire.



(6) Every order made by the Government under this section shall, as soon as may be after it is made, be published in the Iris Oifigiúil.

Provisions  
in relation  
to orders  
of Minister.

22B.(1) Where, during the continuance in force of an order made by the Government under subsection (1) of section 22A of this Act, the Minister makes an order by virtue of this Part, the latter order shall, if not ~~previously~~ revoked, expire on the expiration of the order made by the Government.

Effect on  
contracts of  
orders of  
Minister.

22C.(2) An order made by the Minister by virtue of this Part may -

(a) define or specify a commodity, a service, work or a process in such manner and by reference to such matters as the Minister thinks fit,

(b) define the conditions by reference to which a maximum price or charge is fixed and fix different maximum prices or charges in relation to different conditions,

(c) relate to the whole State or to a particular area in the State,

(d) fix a maximum price or charge by specifying it or by setting out provisions by means of which it may be ascertained,

(e) contain all such incidental or ancillary provisions (including a requirement that the commodity to which the order relates shall be sold only in specified units of weight



provisions  
in relation  
to orders  
of Minister.

published in the Official Gazette.

22B.(1) Where, during the continuance in force of  
an order made by the Government under sub-section (1)  
of section 22A of this Act, the Minister makes an  
order by virtue of this Part, the latter order shall, if  
not previously revoked, expire on the expiration of  
the order made by the Government.

(2) An order made by the Minister by virtue of  
this Part may -

- (a) define or specify a commodity, a service,  
work or a process in such manner and by  
reference to such matters as the Minister  
thinks fit;
- (b) define the conditions by reference to  
which a maximum price or charge is fixed  
and fix different maximum prices or charges  
in relation to different conditions;
- (c) relate to the whole State or to a particular  
area in the State;
- (d) fix a maximum price or charge by specifying  
it or by setting out provisions by means of  
which it may be ascertained;
- (e) contain all such incidental or ancillary  
provisions (including a requirement that the  
commodity to which the order relates shall  
be sold only in specified units or weights).

(6) Every order made by the Government under this  
section shall, as soon as may be after it is made, be  
published in the Official Gazette.



or measure) as shall appear to the Minister to be necessary or expedient for giving full effect to any provision inserted in the order under the powers conferred on him by virtue of this Part or to secure compliance with the order.

(3) The Minister may by order revoke or amend an order made by the Minister by virtue of this Part, including an order under this subsection.

22C.(1) An order made by the Minister by virtue of this Part shall not affect the legality of a contract made before the date on which the order comes into force, or of anything done under the contract.

(2) An order made by the Minister by virtue of this Part shall not affect the legality of a contract made on or after the date on which the order comes into force, or of anything done under the contract if -

(a) the contract is made in pursuance of a legal obligation arising from a prior contract made before that date, or

(b) the contract is made by a local authority with an official contractor appointed under section 3 of the Local Authorities (Combined Purchasing) Act, 1925, or under section 6 of the Local Authorities (Combined Purchasing) Act, 1939, as the result of an application made by him before that date.



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(2) An order made by the Minister by virtue of this Part shall not affect the legality of a contract made on or after the date on which the order comes into force, or of anything done under the contract if -

(a) the contract is made in pursuance of a legal obligation arising from a prior contract made before that date, or

(b) the contract is made by a local authority with an official contractor appointed under section 3 of the Local Authorities (Combined Purchasing) Act, 1932, or under section 6 of the Local Authorities (Combined Purchasing) Act, 1939, as the result of an application made by him before that date.

Effect on contracts of orders of Minister.

1932, No. 20.

1939, No. 14.



Offences under  
this Part.

22D. If any person contravenes, whether by act  
or omission, a provision of an order made by the  
Minister by virtue of this Part or fails, neglects  
or refuses to comply with a requirement of the  
Minister under this Part such person shall be guilty  
of an offence under this section."

Short title  
and  
collective  
citation.

2. (1) This Act may be cited as the Prices  
(Amendment) Act, 1965.

(2) The Prices Act, 1958, and this Act may be  
cited together as the Prices Acts, 1958 and 1965.



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Short title  
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(Amendment) Act, 1965.

(2) The Prices Act, 1958, and this Act may be  
cited together as the Prices Act, 1958 and 1965.



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(mar a tugadh isteach)  
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BILL  
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Acht do leasú agus do leathnú  
an Achta Praghsanna, 1958.

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An Act to amend and extend the  
Prices Act, 1958.

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An tAire Tionscail agus Tráchtála  
a thug isteach

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Introduced by the Minister for  
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