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TO MAKE FURTHER PROVISION WITH RESPECT TO WIRELESS
TELEGRAPHY ON SHIPS.

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Short title.

1. This Law may be cited as the Merchant Shipping (Wireless Telegraphy) Law, 1922, and shall be construed as one with the Merchant Shipping Acts, 1894 to 1916, so far as the same shall be applicable or shall be made applicable to Cyprus.

Interpretation.

2. For the purpose of this Law :—

“ Passenger steamer ” means a steamer which carries more than twelve passengers.

“ Wireless telegraphy inspector ” means an officer appointed by the High Commissioner under the provisions of this Law.

Wireless telegraphy inspectors.

3. The High Commissioner may appoint officers as wireless telegraphy inspectors, who shall have the same duties and powers as if they had been appointed wireless telegraphy inspectors under the Merchant Shipping (Convention) Act, 1914.

Wireless telegraphy requirements.

4.—(1.) Every seagoing British ship registered in Cyprus being a passenger steamer or a ship of sixteen hundred tons gross tonnage or upwards shall be provided with a wireless telegraph installation and shall maintain a wireless telegraph service which shall be at least sufficient to comply with the rules made for the purpose under this Law, and shall be provided with one or more certified operators and watchers, at least, in accordance with those rules :

Provided that the High Commissioner in Council may exempt from the obligations imposed by this Law any ships or classes of ships if he is of opinion that, having regard to the nature of the voyages on which the ships are engaged, or other circumstances of the case, the provision of a wireless telegraph apparatus is unnecessary or unreasonable.

(2.) The High Commissioner in Council shall make rules prescribing the nature of the wireless telegraph installation to be provided, of the services to be maintained, and the number, grade, and qualifications of operators and watchers to be carried :