

Jersey Law 20/1951

**DWELLING-HOUSES (RENT CONTROL) (AMENDMENT)
(JERSEY) LAW, 1951.**

A LAW to amend the Dwelling-Houses (Rent Control) (Amendment) (Jersey) Law, 1946, sanctioned by Order of His Majesty in Council of the

6th day of NOVEMBER, 1951.

(Registered on the 5th day of December, 1951).

STATES OF JERSEY.

The 3rd day of September, 1951.

THE STATES, subject to the sanction of His Most Excellent Majesty in Council, have adopted the following Law: -

ARTICLE 1

For paragraph (2) of Article 3 of the Dwelling-Houses (Rent Control) (Jersey) Law, 1946,¹ (hereinafter referred to as “the principal Law”) there shall be substituted the following paragraph –

“(2) The States shall appoint one or more persons to act in the place of any member of the tribunal who is unable to act by reason of absence or incapacity, and the remaining members or member of the tribunal shall, as the occasion arises, designate which of those persons shall act in the place of the member or members unable to act.”

¹ Tome 1946–1948, page 57.

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ARTICLE 2

For Article 4 of the principal Law² there shall be substituted the following Article –

“ARTICLE 4

**REFERENCE TO TRIBUNAL OF CONTRACTS FOR
LETTING**

(1) Where a contract to which this Law applies has, whether before or after the coming into force of this Law, been entered into, it shall be lawful for the lessor or the lessee or the Committee to refer the contract to the tribunal, and, where any such contract is so referred to it, the tribunal may, by a notice in writing served on the lessor, require him to give to the tribunal, within such period (which shall not be less than seven days from the date of the service of the notice) as may be specified in the notice, such information as the tribunal may reasonably require regarding such of the prescribed particulars relating to the contract as are specified in the notice.

(2) Where any contract to which this Law applies is referred to the tribunal, the tribunal shall consider it, and, after making such enquiry as the tribunal thinks fit and giving to each party an opportunity of being heard, or, in his option, of submitting representations in writing, shall approve the rent payable under the contract or reduce or increase it to such a sum as the tribunal may, in all the circumstances think reasonable, and shall notify the parties and the Committee of its decision in each case:

Provided that where the contract has been referred to the tribunal by the Committee, the Committee may withdraw the reference at any time before the contract is considered by the tribunal.

² Tome 1946-1948, page 58.

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(3) Where the rent payable for any premises has been entered in the register in accordance with the provisions hereinafter contained, it shall be lawful for the lessor or the lessee or the Committee to refer the case to the tribunal for reconsideration of the rent so entered on the ground of change of circumstances, and the provisions of paragraph (2) of this Article shall apply on any such reference as they apply on a reference under paragraph (1) of this Article.”

ARTICLE 3

This Law may be cited as the Dwelling-Houses (Rent Control) (Amendment) (Jersey) Law, 1951, and this Law and the principal Law may be cited together as the Dwelling-Houses (Rent Control) (Jersey) Laws, 1946 and 1951.

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