Law No. (32) of 2015

Concerning the

Official Gazette of the Government of Dubai¹

We, Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Ruler of Dubai,

After perusal of:

Decree No. (23) of 2014 Establishing the Supreme Legislation Committee in the Emirate of Dubai; and Executive Council Resolution No. (12) of 2014 Approving the Terms of Reference of the Supreme Legislation Committee in the Emirate of Dubai,

Do hereby issue this Law.

Title of the Law Article (1)

This Law will be cited as "Law No. (32) of 2015 Concerning the Official Gazette of the Government of Dubai".

Definitions Article (2)

The following words and expressions, wherever mentioned in this Law, will have the meaning indicated opposite each of them unless the context implies otherwise:

Emirate: The Emirate of Dubai.

Ruler: His Highness the Ruler of Dubai.

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¹Every effort has been made to produce an accurate and complete English version of this legislation. However, for the purpose of its interpretation and application, reference must be made to the original Arabic text. In case of conflict the Arabic text will prevail.

Government: The Government of Dubai.

Government Entity: Any of the Government departments, public agencies or corporations,

authorities, or councils affiliated to the Government, or any similar entity.

SLC: The Supreme Legislation Committee in the Emirate of Dubai.

General Secretariat: The General Secretariat of the SLC.

Official Gazette: The official gazette in which the Government publishes the local

Legislation of the Emirate, treaties, notices, and any other document required to be published pursuant to a resolution of a competent authority

or the SLC.

Legislation: This includes laws, decrees, orders, regulations, bylaws, instructions,

resolutions, and similar enactments issued by the competent authorities

at the Government and Government Entities.

Regulatory Resolutions: This includes resolutions, bylaws, instructions, manuals, and similar

regulatory instruments issued by competent authorities at Government Entities, which the SLC decides to publish in the Official Gazette. These include abstract general rules that apply to individuals, companies, corporations, or any other entity, excluding administrative resolutions

applicable to specific persons or cases.

Scope of Application Article (3)

This Law applies to the Official Gazette published by the SLC.

Official Gazette Language Article (4)

The Official Gazette will be published in the Arabic language. The translation into a foreign language of certain legislative texts included in the Official Gazette may also be published as deemed necessary by the SLC.

Management of Official Gazette Processes Article (5)

The General Secretariat will supervise the management of the Official Gazette processes and website, and will issue the resolutions required to regulate editing and printing the Official Gazette, determining its dates of publication, distributing Official Gazette issues in paper and electronic form, and uploading the Official Gazette to smart applications.

Legal Effect of Publication in the Official Gazette Article (6)

Any Legislation issued after the effective date of this Law will be deemed proclaimed to, and binding on, all persons as applicable in the Emirate, and will come into force thirty (30) days after the date of its publication unless otherwise stated in such Legislation.

Obligations of Government Entities Article (7)

All Government Entities must provide the SLC with copies of the Regulatory Resolutions issued by them, for purposes of publication in the Official Gazette, archiving, and documentation.

Subscription and Gratis Copies Article (8)

- a. The SLC will determine the Official Gazette subscription fees and the entities to which gratis copies of the Official Gazette will be provided.
- b. The Official Gazette will be accessible to the public free of charge through the Official Gazette website or smart applications.

Issuing Implementing Resolutions Article (9)

The Chairman of the SLC or his authorised representative will issue the resolutions required for the implementation of the provisions of this Law.

Repeals Article (10)

Any provision in any other Legislation will be repealed to the extent that it contradicts the provisions of this Law.

Publication and Commencement Article (11)

This Law will be published in the Official Gazette and will come into force thirty (30) days after the day on which it is published.

Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum

Ruler of Dubai

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