

# Emergency Powers Act 1964

### **1964 CHAPTER 38**

An Act to amend the Emergency Powers Act 1920 and make permanent the Defence (Armed Forces) Regulations 1939. [10th June 1964]

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

### 1 Amendment of s.1(1) of Emergency Powers Act 1920.

In section 1(1) of the Emergency Powers Act 1920 (by virtue of which Her Majesty may by proclamation declare that a state of emergency exists if at any time it appears to Her that any action has been taken or is immediately threatened by any persons or body of persons of such a nature and on so extensive a scale as to be calculated, by interfering with the supply and distribution of food, water, fuel or light, or with the means of locomotion, to deprive the community, or any substantial portion of the community, of the essentials of life), for the words from " any action " to " so extensive a scale " there shall be substituted the words " there have occurred, or are about to occur, events of such a nature ".

## 2 Defence (Armed Forces) Regulations 1939 made permanent.

The Defence (Armed Forces) Regulations 1939 in the form set out in Part C of Schedule 2 to the Emergency Laws (Repeal) Act 1959 (which regulations enable the temporary employment in agricultural work or in other work, being urgent work of national importance, of members of the armed forces of the Crown to be authorised) shall become permanent.

#### 3 Short title and extent.

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Emergency Powers Act 1964.
- (2) Section 1 of this Act shall not extend to Northern Ireland.