
Fifth Session Third Parliament Republic of Trinidad
and Tobago



REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

Act No. 36 of 1991

[L.S.]

AN ACT to re-enact the Rent Restriction Act, Chap. 59:50
to validate things done thereunder, and to amend the
Rent Restriction (Dwelling Houses) Act, 1981.

[Assented to 12th November, 1991]

WHEREAS it is enacted *inter alia* by subsection (1) of section Preamble
13 of the Constitution that an Act of Parliament to which
that section applies may expressly declare that it shall
have effect even though inconsistent with sections 4 and 5 of
the Constitution and, if any such Act does so declare, it
shall have effect accordingly:

And whereas it is provided by subsection (2) of the said section 13 of the Constitution that an Act of Parliament to which that section applies is one the Bill for which has been passed by both Houses of Parliament and at the final vote thereon in each House has been supported by the votes of not less than three-fifths of all the members of that House:

And whereas it is necessary and expedient that the provisions of this Act shall have effect even though inconsistent with sections 4 and 5 of the Constitution:

Enactment	ENACTED by the Parliament of Trinidad and Tobago as follows:—
Short title	1. This Act may be cited as the Rent Restriction (Re-enactment and Validation) Act, 1991.
Act at variance with Ch. 1 of the Constitution	2. This Act shall have effect even though inconsistent with sections 4 and 5 of the Constitution.
Chap. 59:50 re-enacted	3. The Rent Restriction Act , hereinafter referred to as “the Act”, is re-enacted save and except subsection (2) of section 1 which is repealed and replaced as follows: “ (2) This Act shall continue in force until 23rd February, 1993 and may be continued in force for further periods of three years by resolution of Parliament.”.
Validation of acts and things	4. All acts and things done or purported to be done in exercise of powers conferred under the Act are deemed to have been lawfully and validly done, notwithstanding that the Act ceased to have effect on the 24th February, 1990.
Act No. 45 of 1981 amended	5. The Rent Restriction (Dwelling Houses) Act is amended— (a) in section 2, by inserting immediately after the word “7”, occurring in the fourth line of the definition of “authorised rent”, the words “or 7A”; (b) by inserting immediately after section 7, the following new section: “Board may review and vary rent 7A. (1) Notwithstanding section 7, a Landlord or a tenant who is registered in accordance with this Act may apply to the Board for a review

of the rent of premises to which the application refers on the grounds that such rent is unreasonably low or unreasonably high as the case may be.

(2) On the hearing of any application under this section, the Board may vary such rent as it thinks equitable having regard to the type, standard and location of the premises to which this Act applies, the prevailing social and economic conditions and any other relevant circumstances.”.

Passed in the House of Representatives this 9th day of August, 1991.

N. COX

Acting Clerk of the House

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that this Act is one the Bill for which has been passed by the House of Representatives and at the final vote thereon in the House has been supported by the votes of not less than three-fifths of all the members of the House, that is to say the votes of 28 members of the House.

N. COX

Acting Clerk of the House

Passed in the Senate this 22nd day of October, 1991.

N. COX

Acting Clerk of the Senate

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that this Act is one the Bill for which has been passed by the Senate and at the final vote thereon in the Senate has been supported by the votes of not less than three-fifths of all the members of the Senate, that is to say the votes of 25 Senators.

R. CUMBERBATCH

Acting Clerk of the Senate

Senate Amendments agreed to by the House of Representatives this 28th day of October, 1991.

R. CUMBERBATCH

Acting Clerk of the House