

**ST HELENA****A BILL****FOR****AN ORDINANCE**

to amend the Public Health Ordinance, 1939, to further regulate the penalty provisions with respect to the prevention of formidable diseases.

Enacted by the Governor of St Helena with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council of St Helena.

Short title

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Public Health (Amendment) Ordinance, 2020.

Regulations for prevention of formidable diseases

2. Section 49 of the Public Health Ordinance, 1939, is amended by inserting the following paragraph after paragraph (e):
“(f) the imposition of a fine up to £5,000 or imprisonment for a period up to 18 months for any offence committed under the regulations,”.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Ordinance)

This Ordinance amends the Public Health Ordinance, 1939, to increase the penalties that may be imposed under the regulations which are introduced whenever St Helena appears to be threatened with or affected by any epidemic, endemic or infectious disease. This will allow penalties up to £5,000 or imprisonment for a period up to 18 months to be imposed in enforcing the regulations.

