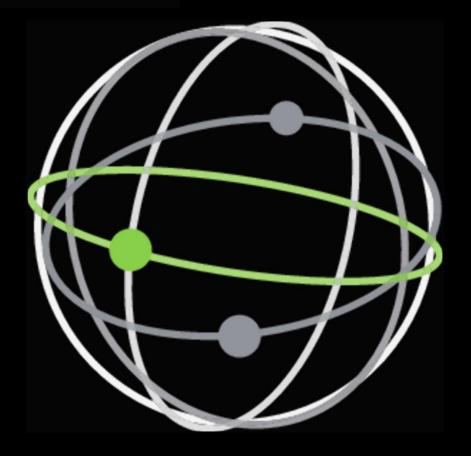
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Law No. 14/2020, of May 9th

Law No. 14/2020, of May 9^{th} , introduces the third amendment to Law No. 1-A/2020, of March 19 $^{\rm th},$ which foresees exceptional and temporary measures, taking into consideration the Covid-19 pandemic.

On May 9th, 2020, Law No. 14/2020 was published in the Portuguese Official Gazette, introducing the third amendment to Law No. 1-A, 2020, of March 19th, which foresees exceptional and temporary measures, taking into consideration the Covid-19 pandemic.

The present Law, in a first moment, extends **until September 30th**, the suspensions established under the extraordinary and transitory regime of protection to tenants set forth by the referred Law No. 1-A/2020, as amended by Law No. 4-A/2020, of April 6th.

In a second moment, the Law under analysis adds four new articles.

The article 8.°-A provides that the closure of premises and establishments under a legal or administrative provision approved within the Covid-19 pandemic framework, will not suit as basis for invoking any form of termination of **non-residential lease agreements** or similar agreements of real estate exploration, nor as a reason for vacate the buildings on which they are installed.

In turn, article 8.-B allows the Government to determine necessary **market restraint and limitation measures**, such as fixing certain prices, limiting profit margins on certain products, monitoring stocks and quantities produced, and taxes exemption.

Article 8.°-C strengthens the means and powers of the Working Conditions Authority regarding **dismissal**. In respect to public professional associations, article 8.°-D allows their collegial bodies, with management and administrative powers, to **suspend or reduce the quotas** of their members, dismissing the need to deliberate within their representative assemblies.

Finally, this Law also clarifies that the selection and recruitment procedures to which the General Law of Labor in Public Functions applies, are also covered by the **urgent processes** that continue to proceed, without suspension or interruption of deadlines, acts or diligences.

ThisLaw takes effect at midnight of May 10th, 2020.

To access the full text of Law 14/2020, of May 9th, please click here.

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