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# Motor Vehicles (Third-Party Risks and Compensation) Act 1960

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An Act to provide against third-party risks arising out of the use of motor vehicles and for the payment of compensation in respect of death or bodily injury arising out of the use of motor vehicles and for matters incidental thereto.

[5 February 1960]

**Short title**

1. This Act is the Motor Vehicles (Third-Party Risks and Compensation) Act 1960.

**Interpretation**

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires —

“appropriate Minister”, in relation to the exercise of powers under sections 20 and 24, means —

- (a) the Minister charged with the responsibility for the Public Trustee’s department insofar as those powers are exercised in connection with the purposes of sections 5A, 6, 9(1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (11), (12) and (13), 18, 18A and 19; and
- (b) the Minister charged with the responsibility for land transport insofar as those powers are exercised in connection with the purposes of any other provision of this Act;

“Deputy Commissioner of Police” includes any police officer authorised by him or her in writing by name or office to exercise the powers vested by this Act in the Deputy Commissioner of Police;

“detention barrack” means a building or any part of a building which is set apart by —

- (a) the Armed Forces Council under the Singapore Armed Forces Act 1972;
- (b) the Commissioner of Civil Defence under the Civil Defence Act 1986;
- (c) the Commissioner of Police under the Police Force Act 2004; or
- (d) the Commissioner of Police under the Vigilante Corps Act 1967,

for the purpose of persons serving sentences of detention under the respective Acts;

“Minister” means the Minister charged with the responsibility for land transport;

“motor vehicle” means a mechanically propelled vehicle intended or adapted for use on roads;

“place of detention” means any of the following places:

- (a) a detention barrack;
- (b) a disciplinary barrack within the meaning of section 2(1) of the Singapore Armed Forces Act 1972;
- (c) a military prison within the meaning of section 2(1) of the Singapore Armed Forces Act 1972;
- (d) a place or premises declared under section 18 of the Intoxicating Substances Act 1987 to be an approved centre for the treatment and rehabilitation of persons who use or inhale intoxicating substances for the purpose of inducing or causing a state of intoxication;
- (e) a prison within the meaning of section 2 of the Prisons Act 1933;
- (f) a hospital or part of a hospital designated under section 3 of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) Act 2008 to be a psychiatric institution;