

Agri-Food and Veterinary Authority Bill

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Agri-Food and Veterinary Authority Bill

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An Act to establish the Agri-food and Veterinary Authority, to provide for its functions and powers, and for matters connected therewith; and to make consequential amendments to certain other written laws.

Be it enacted by the President with the advice and consent of the Parliament of Singapore, as follows:

PART I

PRELIMINARY

Short title and commencement

1. This Act may be cited as the Agri-food and Veterinary Authority Act 2000 and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by notification in the *Gazette*, appoint.

Interpretation

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

“accreditation, certification or inspection mark” means any accreditation, certification or inspection mark of the Authority specified under section 12(q);

“agri-food and veterinary sectors” means the sectors connected with the supply of primary foods and ornamental fish and plants, safety of primary foods, veterinary public health, fisheries, aquaculture, horticulture, animal health, fish health, plant health, veterinary medicine, veterinary science, agriculture science, agri-biotechnology, agrotechnology, animal welfare, feeding stuffs, trade in endangered species, protection of wild animals and birds, and includes the farming, cultivation, keeping, rearing, holding, catching, harvesting, processing and trading of animals, birds, plants, fish, reptiles, amphibians, molluscs, crustaceans, and any form of aquatic life, including their young, eggs and products derived therefrom;

“appointed day” means the date of commencement of this Act;

“Authority” means the Agri-food and Veterinary Authority established under section 3;

“Chairman” means the Chairman of the Authority and includes a temporary Chairman of the Authority;

“Chief Executive” means the Chief Executive of the Authority appointed under section 15 and includes any person acting in that capacity;

“Deputy Chairman” means the Deputy Chairman of the Authority and includes a temporary Deputy Chairman of the Authority;

“member” means a member of the Authority and includes a temporary member of the Authority;

“primary food” includes any meat and meat product, fish and fish product, egg, raw milk, fruit and vegetable.

PART II

ESTABLISHMENT, INCORPORATION AND CONSTITUTION OF AUTHORITY

Establishment and incorporation of Authority

3. There is hereby established a body to be known as the Agri-food and Veterinary Authority which shall be a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal and shall, by that name, be capable of —