# **Nurses and Midwives Bill**

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### Bill No. 38/1999

Read the first time on 11th October 1999.

An Act to establish the Singapore Nursing Board, to provide for the registration and enrolment of nurses and the registration of midwives and for matters connected therewith, to repeal the Nurses and Midwives Act (Chapter 209 of the 1985 Revised Edition) 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.—(1) This Act may be cited as the Nurses and Midwives Act 1999 and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by notification in the *Gazette*, appoint.
- (2) The Minister may appoint different dates for the coming into operation of the different Parts or provisions of this Act.

# Interpretation

- 2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires
  - "accredited" means accredited by the Board;
  - "appointed member" means a member appointed under section 3(2)(d);
  - "Board" means the Singapore Nursing Board established under section 3;
  - "certificate of enrolment" means a certificate of enrolment granted under section 17;
  - "certificate of registration" means a certificate of registration granted under section 17;
  - "Complaints Committee" means a Complaints Committee appointed under section 37;
  - "enrolled" means enrolled under section 14, 15 or 16, and "enrol", "enrolling" and "enrolment" have corresponding meanings;
  - "enrolled nurse" means a person who is enrolled as an enrolled nurse, and includes a person who is deemed to be enrolled as an enrolled nurse under section 47(2);
  - "medical practitioner" means a person registered under the Medical Registration Act (Cap. 174);
  - "member" means a member of the Board;
  - "practising certificate" means a practising certificate issued by the Board under section 18;
  - "Register" means the Register of Nurses or Register of Midwives kept under section 13, as the case may be, or both the Register of Nurses and the Register