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An Act to amend the Limitation Act (Chapter 163 of the 1985 Revised Edition).

Be it enacted by the President with the advice and consent of the Parliament of

Singapore, as follows:

Short title and commencement

1. This Act may be cited as the Limitation (Amendment) Act 1992 and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by notification in the *Gazette*, appoint.

Amendment of section 6

2. Section 6 of the Limitation Act is amended —

- (a) by deleting subsections (4) and (5); and
- (b) by renumbering subsections (6), (7) and (8) as subsections (4), (5) and (6), respectively.

Amendment of section 24

3. Section 24(1) of the Limitation Act is amended —

- (a) by deleting the words “section 6(4)” in paragraph (b) and substituting the words “section 24A(2)”; and
- (b) by deleting the words “section 6(6)” in paragraph (c) and substituting the words “section 6(4)”.

New sections 24A, 24B and 24C

4. The Limitation Act is amended by inserting, immediately after section 24, the following sections:

“Time limits for negligence, nuisance and breach of duty actions in respect of latent injuries and damage

24A.—(1) This section shall apply to any action for damages for negligence, nuisance or breach of duty (whether the duty exists by virtue of a contract or of a provision made by or under any written law or independently of any contract or any such provision).

(2) An action to which this section applies, where the damages claimed consist of or include damages in respect of personal injuries to the plaintiff or any other person, shall not be brought after the expiration of —

- (a) 3 years from the date on which the cause of action accrued; or
- (b) 3 years from the earliest date on which the plaintiff has the knowledge required for bringing an action for damages in respect of the relevant injury, if that period expires later than the period mentioned in paragraph (a).