People's Defence Force Bill

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Read the first time on 15th December 1965.

An Act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of a people's defence force and for purposes connected therewith.

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 People's Defence Force Act, 1965, and shall be deemed to have come into operation on the 9th day of August, 1965.

Interpretation

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

"Army Act" means the Singapore Army Act, 1965 (Act of 1965);

- "Commandant" means the officer appointed to be in executive command of the Force;
- "commanding officer" means an officer of not less than field rank for the time being commanding a unit or units of the Force and includes the Commandant;

"Force" means the People's Defence Force established under this Act;

"member of the Force" means an officer or soldier of the Force;

- "national serviceman" means a person who having been directed to present himself for enlistment in the Force under the provisions of any written law for the time being in force relating to national service;
- "non-commissioned officer" includes a non-commissioned officer and an acting non-commissioned officer of the Force, or of the Singapore armed forces or of any Commonwealth force who is attached to or doing duty with any part of the Force;