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The following Act was passed by Parliament on 22nd February 2001 and assented to by the President on 12th March 2001:—

#### **HEALTH PROMOTION BOARD ACT 2001**

(No. 5 of 2001)

I assent.

S R NATHAN, President. 12th March 2001.

#### Date of Commencement: 1st April 2001

An Act to establish the Health Promotion Board, to provide for its functions and powers, and for matters connected therewith; and to make consequential amendments to the <u>Dentists Act (Chapter 76 of the 2000 Revised Edition)</u> and the <u>Infectious Diseases Act (Chapter 137 of the 1999 Revised Edition)</u>.

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 Health Promotion Board Act 2001 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 —

"appointed day" means the date of commencement of this Act;

"Board" means the Health Promotion Board established under section 3;

- "Chairman" means the Chairman of the Board and includes a temporary Chairman appointed under <u>section 8</u>;
- "Chief Executive" means the Chief Executive of the Board appointed under <u>section 15</u> and includes any person acting in that capacity;

"member" means a member of the Board.

## PART II

# ESTABLISHMENT, INCORPORATION AND CONSTITUTION OF BOARD

# **Establishment and incorporation of Health Promotion Board**

3. There is hereby established a body to be known as the Health Promotion Board which shall be a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal and shall, by that name, be capable of —

- (*a*) suing and being sued;
- (b) acquiring, owning, holding and developing, or disposing of property, both movable and immovable; and
- (c) doing and suffering all such other acts or things as a body corporate may lawfully do and suffer.

# **Common seal**

**4.**—(1) The Board shall have a common seal and such seal may from time to time be broken, changed, altered or made anew as the Board thinks fit.

(2) All deeds and other documents requiring the seal of the Board shall be sealed with the common seal of the Board.

(3) All instruments to which the common seal is affixed shall be signed by any 2 members generally or specially authorised by the Board for the purpose or by one member and the Chief Executive.

(4) The Board may, by resolution or otherwise in writing, appoint an officer of the Board or any other agent either generally or in any particular case to execute or sign on behalf of the Board any agreement or other instrument not under seal in relation to any matter coming within the powers of the Board.

(5) All courts, judges and persons acting judicially shall take judicial notice of the common seal of the Board affixed to any document and shall presume that it was duly affixed.

# **Constitution of Board**

**5.**—(1) The Board shall consist of —

- (a) a Chairman; and
- (b) not less than 6 but not more than 10 other members,

all of whom shall be appointed by the Minister.

(2) The Minister may appoint the Chief Executive to be a member of the Board.

# Chairman may delegate functions

**6.** The Chairman may in writing authorise any member to exercise any power or perform any function conferred on the Chairman by or under this Act.

# Term of office of members

7.—(1) A member of the Board (including the Chairman) shall hold office on such conditions and for such term, not exceeding 3 years, as the Minister shall specify in the appointment, and may from time to time be re-appointed.

(2) Any member of the Board may resign from his office at any time by giving not less than one month's notice in writing to the Minister.

(3) The Minister may at any time revoke the appointment of any member as he considers necessary in the interest of the effective performance of the functions of the Board under this Act, or in the public interest.

(4) If a member dies or resigns or has his appointment revoked, the Minister may appoint any person to fill the vacancy for the residue of the term for which the vacating member was appointed.

(5) The Board shall pay to the Chairman and other members of the Board, out of the funds of the Board, such salaries, fees and allowances as the Minister may, from time to time, determine.

# **Temporary Chairman**

**8.** If the Chairman is absent from Singapore, or for any other reason unable to discharge his functions, the Minister may appoint one of the members to act as a temporary Chairman.

# **Meetings and proceedings of Board**

9.—(1) At all meetings of the Board, 5 members shall form a quorum.

(2) The Chairman shall preside at all meetings of the Board and, in his absence, the members present shall elect one of their number to preside.

(3) Meetings of the Board shall be held at such times and places as the Chairman may determine.

(4) All questions arising at any meeting shall be decided by a majority of votes of the members present and voting.

(5) At any meeting of the Board, the Chairman or, in his absence, the member presiding at the meeting shall have a deliberative vote and, in the case of an equality of votes, he shall also have a casting vote.

(6) The validity of any proceedings of the Board shall not be affected by any vacancy amongst its members or by any defect in the appointment of any member.

(7) Subject to the provisions of this Act, the Board may regulate its own proceedings.

# **Disclosure of interest of members**

**10.**—(1) A member of the Board who is in any way, directly or indirectly, interested in a transaction or project of the Board shall disclose the nature of his interest at a meeting of the Board.

(2) The disclosure by a member of his interest shall be recorded in the minutes of the Board and that member shall not take part in any deliberation of the Board with respect to the transaction or project.

(3) For the purpose of determining whether there is a quorum, a member shall be treated as being present at a meeting notwithstanding that under <u>subsection (2)</u> he cannot vote or has withdrawn from the meeting.

(4) For the purposes of this section, an interest of a spouse, parent, son or an adopted son, or daughter or an adopted daughter, of a member shall be treated as an interest of the member.

## PART III

## FUNCTIONS AND POWERS OF BOARD

#### Functions, objects and duties of Board

11.—(1) Subject to the provisions of this Act, the functions, objects and duties of the Board shall be —

- (*a*) to advise the Government, either of its own motion or upon request made to it by the Minister, on all matters connected with the promotion of good health and healthy lifestyles amongst the people of Singapore, including the formulation of policies, the creation of conditions and the provision of public facilities that are conducive to the promotion of good health and healthy lifestyles amongst the people of Singapore;
- (b) to devise, organise and implement
  - (i) programmes and other activities for or related to the promotion of good health and healthy lifestyles amongst the people of Singapore;
  - (ii) health education programmes; and
  - (iii) programmes and other activities for or related to the prevention or detection of diseases;
- (c) to collaborate with any organisation to devise, organise and implement, or to provide support or assistance to any organisation in devising, organising and implementing, any of the programmes or activities referred to in <u>paragraph (b)</u>;
- (*d*) to monitor and conduct investigations and research into any matter relating to the health and nutritional statuses of the people of Singapore;

- (e) to promote a healthy food supply in Singapore;
- (f) to determine, establish and recommend
  - (i) nutritional standards and dietary guidelines; and
  - (ii) guidelines for the provision of nutritional information;
- (g) to provide healthcare services (including medical, dental, health-screening and immunisation services) to school children and such other persons or class of persons as the Board thinks fit;
- (*h*) to provide consultancy services to Government departments, members of the healthcare industry and the private sector on matters relating to health education, the preservation and promotion of health, healthy lifestyles and healthy dietary practices and the prevention and detection of diseases;
- (*i*) to represent the Government internationally on matters related to or connected with health education, the preservation and promotion of health and the prevention and detection of diseases; and
- (*j*) to carry out such other functions as are imposed upon the Board by or under this Act or any other written law.

(2) The Minister may give to the Board such directions, not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, as to the discharge of its functions, objects and duties and the exercise of its powers and the Board shall give effect to any such directions.

(3) Nothing in this section shall be construed as imposing on the Board, directly or indirectly, any form of duty or liability enforceable by proceedings before any court.

# **Powers of Board**

12. The Board shall have power to do anything for the purpose of discharging its functions, objects and duties under this Act, or which is incidental or conducive to the discharge of those functions, objects or duties and, in particular, may —

- (*a*) enter into such contracts as may be necessary or expedient for the purpose of discharging its functions, objects or duties;
- (*b*) with the approval of the Minister, acquire and hold such movable or immovable property as may be necessary or expedient for carrying into effect the provisions of this Act and for the same purposes may sell, lease, mortgage, or otherwise alienate or dispose of any property so acquired;
- (c) with the approval of the Minister, form or participate in the formation of any company, partnership or joint venture as a shareholder or partner or in any other capacity and to share profits;
- (*d*) organise such courses and other programmes as the Board thinks necessary or desirable for the discharge of its functions, objects or duties;
- (e) collect, analyse, compile, publish or disseminate information of a statistical nature relating

to —

- (i) the health or nutritional statuses of the people of Singapore; or
- (ii) such other subject-matter as may be necessary for the discharge of the functions, objects or duties of the Board;
- (*f*) provide technical, consultancy or advisory services to any Government agency or to any other person or body in Singapore or elsewhere on any matter related to or connected with the functions, objects or duties of the Board;
- (g) become a member or affiliate of any international body the functions, objects or duties of which are similar to those of the Board;
- (*h*) charge fees or commissions for services rendered by the Board or for the use of any of its facilities;
- (*i*) carry out promotional activities or publicity in any form;
- (*j*) receive donations, grants, gifts, subsidies or contributions from any source, and raise funds by all lawful means;
- (*k*) publish or sponsor the publication of works concerning the preservation and promotion of good health, health education or any other matter related to the functions, objects or duties of the Board;
- (*l*) grant loans to officers or employees of the Board for any purposes specifically approved by the Board as are likely to increase the efficiency of its officers or employees;
- (*m*) provide recreational facilities and promote recreational activities for, and activities conducive to, the welfare of officers or employees of the Board and members of their families; and
- (*n*) provide training for employees of the Board and to award scholarships or otherwise pay for such training.

#### Committees

**13.**—(1) The Board may, from time to time, appoint committees consisting of one or more persons (whether members of the Board or not) and define or vary the terms of reference of those committees.

(2) Subject to this Act and any regulations made thereunder and to the control of the Board, each committee appointed under this section may regulate its procedure in such manner as the committee thinks fit.

# **Delegation of powers**

14.—(1) The Board may, from time to time, in respect of a specified matter or class of matters, by writing, delegate any of its powers to a member, officer or committee of the Board.

(2) Every member, officer or committee purporting to act pursuant to a delegation under this section shall, in the absence of proof to the contrary, be presumed to be acting in accordance with the terms of the delegation.

(3) No delegation under this section shall prevent the exercise of any power or the performance of any function or duty by the Board.

#### PART IV

# PROVISIONS RELATING TO STAFF

## **Appointment of Chief Executive and other staff**

**15.**—(1) The Board shall, with the approval of the Minister, appoint a Chief Executive on such terms and conditions as the Board may determine.

(2) The Chief Executive —

- (a) shall be known by such designation as the Board may determine;
- (*b*) shall be responsible to the Board for the proper administration and management of its functions and affairs in accordance with all policies laid down by the Board; and
- (c) shall not be removed from office without the consent of the Minister.

(3) If the Chief Executive is temporarily absent from Singapore, or is temporarily unable to perform his duties by reason of illness or otherwise, another person may be appointed by the Board to act in the place of the Chief Executive during any such period of absence from duty.

(4) The Board may, from time to time, appoint such other officers, employees, consultants or agents as it thinks fit for the effective performance of its functions.

# **Protection from personal liability**

**16.**—(1) No suit or other legal proceedings shall lie personally against any member, officer or employee of the Board or other person acting under the direction of the Board for anything which is in good faith done or intended to be done in the execution or purported execution of this Act or any other written law.

(2) Where the Board provides a service to the public whereby information is supplied to the public, neither the Board nor any of its employees involved in the supply of such information shall be liable for any loss or damage suffered by any member of the public by reason of any error or omission of whatever nature appearing therein or however caused if made in good faith and in the ordinary course of the discharge of the duties of such employees.

# Public servants for purposes of Penal Code

17. The members, officers and employees of the Board shall be deemed to be public servants within the meaning of the <u>Penal Code (Cap. 224)</u>.

# PART V

# FINANCIAL PROVISIONS

#### **Financial year**

**18.** The financial year of the Board shall begin on 1st April of each year and end on 31st March of the succeeding year, except that the first financial year of the Board shall begin on the appointed day and end on 31st March of the succeeding year.

## Estimates

**19.**—(1) The Board shall, in every financial year, prepare and adopt annual estimates of income and expenditure of the Board for the ensuing financial year.

(2) Supplementary estimates of expenditure may be adopted by the Board.

(3) A copy of all annual and supplementary estimates shall, upon their adoption by the Board, be sent to the Minister who may approve or disallow any item or portion of any item shown in the estimates, and shall return the estimates as amended by him to the Board, and the Board shall be bound thereby.

(4) Notwithstanding any provision of this section, the Board may transfer all or any part of the moneys assigned to one item of expenditure to another item under the same head of expenditure in any estimates approved by the Minister.

## **Funds of Board**

**20.** The funds of the Board shall consist of —

- (a) all moneys transferred to the Board under section 30;
- (b) all moneys received by the Board by way of grants or subsidies;
- (c) all gifts, donations and contributions to the Board;
- (*d*) all fees, charges, commissions, rents, interests, dividends and other income accruing to the Board;
- (e) all moneys borrowed by the Board under this Act;
- (*f*) all moneys recovered or collected by the Board or any officer or employee thereof (including sums collected for the composition of offences) under this Act or any other written law administered by the Board; and
- (g) all other moneys lawfully received by the Board for the purposes of the Board.

#### **Grants-in-aid**

**21.** For the purpose of enabling the Board to carry out its functions under this Act, the Minister may, from time to time, make grants-in-aid to the Board of such sums of money, as the Minister may determine, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament.

# **Borrowing powers**

**22.** The Board may, from time to time, for the purposes of this Act raise loans from the Government or, with the consent of the Minister, from any other source.

#### **Bank accounts**

**23.** The Board shall open and maintain one or more accounts with such bank or banks as the Board thinks fit and every such account shall be operated by such person or persons as may, from time to time, be authorised in that behalf by the Board.

# **Application of funds**

24. The funds of the Board shall be applied only in payment or discharge of the expenses, obligations and liabilities of the Board and in making any payment that the Board is authorised or required to make.

#### Investment

25. The Board may, with the approval of the Minister —

- (a) invest its funds in such manner as it thinks fit; and
- (*b*) engage in any financial activity or participate in any financial arrangement for the purpose of managing or hedging against any financial risk that arises or is likely to arise from such investment.

#### Accounts

**26.** The Board shall —

- (a) keep proper accounts and records of its transactions and affairs; and
- (b) do all things necessary to ensure that all payments out of its funds are correctly made and properly authorised and that adequate control is maintained over the assets of, or in the custody of, the Board and over the expenditure incurred by the Board.

# Audit of accounts

**27.**—(1) The accounts of the Board shall be audited by the Auditor-General or such other auditor as may be appointed annually by the Minister in consultation with the Auditor-General (referred to in this Act as the auditor).

(2) A person shall not be qualified for appointment as an auditor under <u>subsection (1)</u> unless he is an approved company auditor under the <u>Companies Act (Cap. 50)</u>.

(3) The Board shall, as soon as practicable after the close of each financial year, prepare and submit financial statements in respect of that financial year to the auditor who shall audit and report on them.

(4) The auditor shall in his report state —

- (*a*) whether the financial statements show fairly the financial transactions and the state of affairs of the Board;
- (*b*) whether proper accounting and other records have been kept, including records of all assets of the Board whether purchased, donated or otherwise;
- (c) whether the receipts, expenditure and investment of funds and the acquisition and disposal of assets by the Board during the financial year were in accordance with the provisions of

this Act; and

(d) such other matters arising from the audit as he considers necessary.

(5) The auditor shall, as soon as practicable after the accounts have been submitted for audit, send a report of his audit to the Board.

(6) The auditor shall submit such periodical and special reports to the Minister and to the Board as may appear to him to be necessary or as the Minister or the Board may require.

## **Powers of auditor**

**28.**—(1) The auditor or any person authorised by him (referred to in this section as the authorised person) is entitled at all reasonable times to full and free access to all accounting and other records relating, directly or indirectly, to the financial transactions of the Board.

(2) The auditor or authorised person may make copies of or extracts from any such accounting or other records.

(3) The auditor or authorised person may require any person to furnish him with such information in the possession of that person or to which that person has access as the auditor or authorised person considers necessary for the purposes of his functions under this Act.

- (4) Any person who
  - (*a*) refuses or fails without any reasonable cause to allow the auditor or authorised person access to any accounting or other records of the Board that is in his custody or power;
  - (*b*) refuses or fails without any reasonable cause to give any information possessed by him as and when required by the auditor or authorised person; or
  - (c) hinders, obstructs or delays the auditor or authorised person in the performance of his duties or the exercise of his power,

shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$1,000 and, in the case of a continuing offence, to a further fine not exceeding \$100 for every day or part thereof during which the offence continues after conviction.

#### Presentation of financial statements and auditor's report to Parliament

**29.**—(1) The Board shall, as soon as its accounts and financial statements have been audited in accordance with the provisions of this Act, send to the Minister a copy of the audited financial statements, signed by the Chairman, together with a copy of the auditor's report.

(2) Where the Auditor-General is not the auditor of the Board, a copy of the audited financial statements and any report made by the auditor shall be forwarded to the Auditor-General at the same time that they are submitted to the Board.

(3) The Minister shall, as soon as practicable, cause a copy of the audited financial statements and of the auditor's report referred to in <u>subsection (1)</u> to be presented to Parliament.

#### PART VI

#### TRANSFER OF PROPERTY, LIABILITIES AND EMPLOYEES

#### Transfer to Board of property, assets and liabilities

**30.**—(1) As from the appointed day, such movable and immovable property vested in the Government as may be determined by the Minister for Finance and used or managed by any of the departments as specified in <u>the Schedule</u> and all assets, interests, rights, privileges, liabilities and obligations of the Government relating to any such department shall be transferred to and shall vest in the Board without further assurance, act or deed.

(2) If any question arises as to whether any particular property, or whether any particular asset, interest, right, privilege, liability or obligation has been transferred to or vested in the Board under subsection (1), a certificate under the hand of the Minister for Finance shall be conclusive evidence that the property, asset, interest, right, privilege, liability or obligation was or was not so transferred or vested.

(3) Any immovable property to be transferred to and vested in the Board under <u>subsection (1)</u> shall be held by the Board upon such tenure and subject to such terms and conditions as the President may determine.

#### **Transfer of employees**

**31.**—(1) As from the appointed day, all persons who immediately before that day were employed by the Government in any of the departments as specified in <u>the Schedule</u> shall be transferred to the service of the Board on terms no less favourable than those enjoyed by them immediately prior to their transfer.

(2) Until such time as terms and conditions of service are drawn up by the Board, the scheme and terms and conditions of the Government shall continue to apply to every person transferred to the service of the Board under <u>subsection (1)</u> as if he were still in the employment of the Government.

#### Pension rights, etc., of Government employees to be preserved

**32.**—(1) The terms and conditions to be drawn up by the Board shall take into account the terms and conditions of service (including salaries and accrued rights to leave) enjoyed by the persons transferred to the service of the Board under section 31 while in the employment of the Government.

(2) Any term or condition relating to the length of service with the Board shall recognise the length of service of the persons so transferred while in the employment of the Government to be service with the Board.

(3) Nothing in the terms and conditions to be drawn up by the Board shall adversely affect the conditions that would have been applicable to persons transferred to the service of the Board as regards any pension, gratuity or allowance payable under the <u>Pensions Act (Cap. 225)</u>.

(4) Where a person has been transferred to the service of the Board under <u>section 31</u>, the Government shall be liable to pay to the Board such portion of any gratuity, pension or allowance payable to the person on his retirement as the same shall bear to the proportion which the aggregate amount of his pensionable emoluments during his service with the Government bears to the aggregate amount of his pensionable emoluments during his service under both the Government and the Board.

(5) Where any person in the service of the Board, whose case does not fall within the scope of any pension or other schemes established under this section, retires or dies in the service of the Board or is discharged from such service, the Board may grant to him or to such other person or persons wholly or partly dependent on him, as the Board thinks fit, such allowance or gratuity as the Board may determine.

#### No benefits in respect of abolition or reorganisation of office

**33.** Notwithstanding the provisions of the <u>Pensions Act (Cap. 225)</u>, no person who is transferred to the service of the Board under <u>section 31</u> shall be entitled to claim any benefit under that Act on the ground that he has been retired from the service of the Government on account of abolition or reorganisation of office in consequence of the establishment and incorporation of the Board.

# **Existing contracts**

**34.** All deeds, contracts, schemes, bonds, agreements, instruments and arrangements, subsisting immediately before the appointed day to which the Government is a party and relating to any of the departments as specified in <u>the Schedule</u> or to any person transferred to the service of the Board under <u>section 31</u> shall continue in force on and after that day and shall be enforceable by or against the Board as if the Board had been named therein or had been a party thereto instead of the Government.

# **Continuation and completion of disciplinary and other legal proceedings**

**35.**—(1) Where on the appointed day, any disciplinary proceedings were pending against any employee of the Government transferred to the service of the Board, the proceedings shall be carried on and completed by the Board.

(2) Where on the appointed day, any matter was in the course of being heard or investigated or had been heard or investigated by a committee acting under due authority but no order or decision had been rendered thereon, the committee shall complete the hearing or investigation and make such order, ruling or direction as it could have made under the authority vested in it before that day.

(3) Any order, ruling or direction made or given by a committee pursuant to this section shall be treated as an order, a ruling or a direction of the Board and have the same force or effect as if it had been made or given by the Board pursuant to the authority vested in the Board under this Act.

(4) All proceedings or causes of action pending or existing immediately before the appointed day by or against the Government in respect of any of the departments specified in <u>the Schedule</u> may be continued, completed and enforced by or against the Board.

# Misconduct or neglect of duty by employee before transfer

**36.** The Board may reprimand, reduce in rank, retire, dismiss or punish in some other manner a person who had, whilst he was in the employment of the Government, been guilty of any misconduct or neglect of duty which would have rendered him liable to be reprimanded, reduced in rank, retired, dismissed or punished in some other manner if he had continued to be in the employment of the Government and if this Act had not been enacted.

#### PART VII

# MISCELLANEOUS

# **Annual report**

**37.**—(1) The Board shall, as soon as practicable after the end of each financial year, cause to be prepared and transmitted to the Minister a report dealing generally with the activities of the Board during that financial year.

(2) The Minister shall, as soon as practicable, cause a copy of every such report to be presented to Parliament.

# **Board's symbol**

**38.**—(1) The Board shall have the exclusive right to the use of such symbol or representation as it may select or devise and thereafter display or exhibit in connection with its activities or affairs.

(2) Any person who uses a symbol or representation identical with that of the Board, or which so resembles the Board's symbol or representation as to deceive or cause confusion, or to be likely to deceive or to cause confusion, shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$10,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months or to both.

## **Preservation of secrecy**

**39.**—(1) Except for the purpose of the performance of his duties or the exercise of his functions or when lawfully required to do so by any court or under the provisions of any written law, no person who is or has been a member, an officer, an employee or an agent of the Board or a member of a committee of the Board shall disclose any information relating to the affairs of the Board or of any other person which has been obtained by him in the performance of his duties or the exercise of his functions.

(2) Any person who contravenes <u>subsection (1)</u> shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$2,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 12 months or to both.

#### **Composition of offences**

**40.**—(1) The Chief Executive or any officer authorised by him may, in his discretion, compound any offence under this Act or any regulations made thereunder which is prescribed as a compoundable offence by collecting from a person reasonably suspected of having committed the offence a sum of money not exceeding \$1,000.

(2) On payment of such sum of money, no further proceedings shall be taken against such person in respect of the offence.

# Regulations

**41.** The Board may, with the approval of the Minister, make regulations for any or both of the following purposes:

- (a) regulating the proceedings of the Board or of the committees of the Board; and
- (*b*) providing for or prescribing any matters which are necessary or convenient to be provided for or prescribed for carrying out or giving effect to the provisions of this Act.

# **Consequential amendments**

42.—(1) The Dentists Act (Cap. 76) is amended —

- (*a*) by inserting, immediately before the definition of "certificate of registration" in section 2, the following definition:
  - " "Board" means the Health Promotion Board established under the Health Promotion Board Act 2001;";
- (b) by deleting the words "a public officer" in section 12(1) and substituting the words "a registered dentist";
- (c) by inserting, immediately after the words "any public officer" in the last line of section 33(1), the words "or officer of the Board";
- (*d*) by repealing section 50 and substituting the following section:

# "Where Council member is in public service or is officer of Board

**50.** A member of the Council who is in the public service or who is an officer of the Board shall not be disqualified from being the chairman or a member of a Complaints Committee or a member of a Disciplinary Committee or the Health Committee by reason only that he, or the person who made the complaint or gave the information leading to the proceeding in question, is in the public service or is an officer of the Board.";

- (e) by inserting, immediately after the words "one or more public officers" in section 56(1), the words "or officers of the Board";
- (f) by deleting paragraph (a) of section 59(1) and substituting the following paragraph:
  - "(*a*) the carrying out of any act which comes within the practice of dentistry by a person who is in the public service or who is an officer of the Board if the act is carried out
    - (i) in the course of the person's duties in the public service or as an officer of the Board; and
    - (ii) under the supervision of a registered dentist whose name appears in the first division of the register; or"; and
- (g) by deleting the section heading to section 59 and substituting the following section heading:

"Exemption in respect of persons in public service or employed by Board or prescribed companies or organisations".

(2) The Infectious Diseases Act (Cap. 137) is amended —

- (a) by inserting, immediately after the definition of "baggage" in section 2, the following definition:
  - " "Board" means the Health Promotion Board established under the Health Promotion Board Act 2001;";
- (b) by deleting the words "the Government" in section 48(1) and substituting the words "the Board";
- (c) by deleting paragraph (b) of section 48(2) and substituting the following paragraph:
  - "(*b*) within 7 days of a vaccination make a notification thereof in the prescribed form to
    - (i) the Director; or
    - (ii) any officer of the Board who is designated by the Director for the purpose,

and deliver the duplicate copy of the notification to the person on whom the vaccination or intradermal test was carried out or, if such person is a child, to the parent or guardian of such child.";

- (*d*) by inserting, immediately after the word "Director" in section 49, the words "or any officer of the Board who is designated by the Director for the purpose";
- (e) by deleting subsection (4) of section 50 and substituting the following subsection:

"(4) Any medical practitioner who issues an exemption certificate under this section shall immediately send a copy thereof to the Director or to an officer of the Board who is designated by the Director for the purpose."; and

(*f*) by inserting, immediately after the words "public officer" in the 2nd line of section 63(1), the words "or officer of the Board".

#### Savings

**43.** In so far as it is necessary to preserve the effect of any document issued by or relating to any of the departments specified in <u>the Schedule</u>, any reference in such document to any such department shall be construed as a reference to the Board.

# THE SCHEDULE

Sections 30(1), 31(1), 34, 35(4) and 43

#### DEPARTMENTS

- 1. National Health Education Department.
- 2. Department of Nutrition.
- 3. School Health Service.
- 4. School Dental Service.

5. Health Promotion Division Administration.

# LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

# HEALTH PROMOTION BOARD ACT 2001

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