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An Act to deal with fake news and related matters.

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ENACTED by the Parliament of Malaysia as follows:

PART I

PRELIMINARY

Short title and commencement

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the Anti-Fake News Act 2018.

(2) This Act comes into operation on a date to be appointed by the Minister by notification in the *Gazette*.

Interpretation

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

“fake news” includes any news, information, data and reports, which is or are wholly or partly false, whether in the form of features, visuals or audio recordings or in any other form capable of suggesting words or ideas;

“Court” means Sessions Court;

“Minister” means the Minister charged with the responsibility for law;

“publication” includes—

- (a) any written publication or publication of a nature similar to any written publication, and every copy and reproduction or substantial reproduction of such publication; and