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An Act to give effect to the International Convention on Civil Liability for Bunker Oil Pollution Damage 2001 and to make provisions generally for matters connected therewith.

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## PART 1

## PRELIMINARY

## Short title

**1.** This Act is the Merchant Shipping (Civil Liability and Compensation for Bunker Oil Pollution) Act 2008.

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## Interpretation

- 2.—(1) In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires
  - "Authority" means the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore established under the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore Act 1996;
  - "Bunker Convention" means the International Convention on Civil Liability for Bunker Oil Pollution Damage 2001;
  - "Bunker Convention country" means a country in respect of which the Bunker Convention is in force;
  - "Bunker Convention State" means a State which is a party to the Bunker Convention;
  - "bunker oil" means any hydrocarbon mineral oil, including lubricating oil, used or intended to be used for the operation or propulsion of a ship, and any residues of such oil;
  - "Court" means the General Division of the High Court;
  - "damage" includes loss;
  - "Director" means the Director of Marine appointed under section 4 of the Merchant Shipping Act 1995 and includes the Deputy Director of Marine appointed under that section;
  - "gross tonnage", in relation to a ship, means its gross tonnage calculated in accordance with the regulations in Annex 1 of the International Convention on Tonnage Measurement of Ships, 1969;
  - "master" includes every person, except a pilot, having command or charge of a ship;
  - "offshore facility" has the meaning given by the Bunker Convention;
  - "owner", in relation to a ship, means the owner, and includes the registered owner, bareboat charterer, manager and operator of the ship;
  - "port" has the meaning given by the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore Act 1996;