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An Act to restrict the purchase or transfer of residential properties (including vacant land) to citizens of Singapore and approved purchasers, and to provide for matters connected therewith.

[11 September 1973]

PART 1

PRELIMINARY

Short title

1. This Act is the Residential Property Act 1976.

Interpretation

- **2.**—(1) In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires
 - "approved purchaser" means
 - (a) a Singapore company;
 - (b) a Singapore limited liability partnership;
 - (c) a Singapore society;
 - (d) a foreign person to whom approval has been granted under section 25, 30 or 31;
 - (e) any person, company, limited liability partnership, society, association or other organisation or body who or which has been exempted by the Minister under section 32; or
 - (f) any body, corporate or otherwise, declared by the Minister by notification in the *Gazette* to be a public authority or an instrumentality or agency of the Government;
 - "Authority" means the Singapore Land Authority established under the Singapore Land Authority Act 2001;
 - "citizen" or "citizen of Singapore" means any person who, under the provisions of the Constitution of the Republic of Singapore, has the status of a citizen of Singapore;
 - "Committee" means the Residential Property Advisory Committee established under section 25:
 - "Controller" means the Controller of Residential Property and includes a Deputy and an Assistant Controller of Residential Property appointed under section 29;
 - "converted entity", in relation to sections 9 and 26, means a converted foreign company, converted foreign limited liability partnership or converted society;
 - "converted foreign company" means any Singapore company which becomes a foreign company on or after 1 October 1976