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An Act to make provision for the safeguarding of vulnerable adults from abuse, neglect or self-neglect, and to provide for matters connected with that.

[19 December 2018]

PART 1

PRELIMINARY

Short title

1. This Act is the Vulnerable Adults Act 2018.

Interpretation

- 2.—(1) In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires —

“abuse” means —

- (a) physical abuse;
- (b) emotional or psychological abuse;
- (c) conduct or behaviour by an individual that in any other way controls or dominates another individual and causes the other individual to fear for his or her safety or wellbeing; or
- (d) conduct or behaviour by an individual that unreasonably deprives, or threatens to unreasonably deprive, another individual of that other individual’s liberty of movement or wellbeing;

“allied health professional” has the meaning given by section 2 of the Allied Health Professions Act 2011;

“assessment” means an interview and examination which includes the taking of X-rays and an individual’s blood and