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### **Bill No. 40/1970**

*Read the first time on 4th November 1970.*

An Act to introduce the use of the International System of Units in Singapore, to enable necessary modifications of legislation to be effected and for matters connected therewith.

Be it enacted by the President with the advice and consent of the Parliament of Singapore, as follows: —

### **Short title and commencement**

1. This Act may be cited as the Metrication Act, 1970, and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by notification in the *Gazette*, appoint.

### **Interpretation**

2.—(1) In this Act, “International System of Units” means the metric system of units as set out in Schedules A and B to this Act and shall include the units set out in Schedule D to this Act unless there is something in the subject or context thereof inconsistent with such construction or unless it is therein otherwise expressly provided.

(2) The abbreviation “SI” shall be recognised as a legal reference to the International System of Units.

### **International System of Units**

3.—(1) On and after the date of the coming into operation of this Act, the use of the system of units known as “the International System of Units” shall have legal force and validity in Singapore.

(2) The International System of Units shall consist of —

- (a) the basic units set out in Schedule A to this Act;
- (b) the supplementary and derived units set out in Schedule B to this Act; and
- (c) the units which may be used in conjunction with the basic and supplementary and derived units as set out in Schedule D to this Act.

### **Power to adapt, etc.**

4.—(1) The Minister for the time being charged with the responsibility for departments and subjects in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution of