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The Parliament of New Zealand enacts as follows:

- Title**
This Act is the New Zealand/Singapore Closer Economic Partnership Act 2000.
- Commencement**
This Act comes into force on 1 January 2001.

Part 1

Amendments to Dumping and Countervailing Duties Act 1988

3 **Dumping and Countervailing Duties Act 1988 called principal Act in this Part**

In this Part, the Dumping and Countervailing Duties Act 1988 is called “the principal Act”.

4 **New section 3BA inserted**

The principal Act is amended by inserting, after section 3B, the following section:

“3BA **Meaning of goods of Singaporean origin**

For the purposes of this Act, **goods of Singaporean origin** means goods falling within the classes of goods for the time being entitled to be entered under the Tariff at the rates and exemptions provided for Singapore, or, if no rates or exemptions are provided in relation to particular goods for Singapore, that would be entitled to be entered under the Tariff if rates and exemptions were provided in relation to those particular goods.”

5 **Termination of investigations**

(1) Section 11(2) of the principal Act is amended by repealing paragraph (a), and substituting the following paragraph:

- “(a) in the case of dumping, the margin of dumping is,—
- “(i) in the case of goods of Singaporean origin, less than 5% (expressed as a percentage of the export price); or
 - “(ii) in the case of goods of any other origin, less than 2% (expressed as a percentage of the export price); or”.

(2) Section 11 of the principal Act is amended by inserting, after subsection (2), the following subsection:

“(2A) For the purposes of subsection (2)(c), in applying Article 5.8 of the Agreement on the Implementation of Article VI of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994, annexed to the WTO Agreement, in relation to goods of Singaporean origin,—

- “(a) the first reference in Article 5.8 to ‘3 per cent’ must be read as a reference to ‘5 per cent’; and
- “(b) accordingly, if the volume of goods of Singaporean origin dumped is found to account for less than 5% of the total imports of like goods into New Zealand, the volume of goods dumped must normally be regarded as negligible.”

6 Anti-dumping and countervailing duties

- (1) Section 14(9) of the principal Act is amended by omitting the expression “5 years”, and substituting the words “the specified period”.
- (2) Section 14 of the principal Act is amended by inserting, after subsection (9), the following subsection:
 - “(9A) In subsection (9), **specified period** means,—
 - “(a) in the case of goods of Singaporean origin, 3 years; and
 - “(b) in the case of goods of any other origin, 5 years.”

Part 2

Amendment to Engineers Registration Act 1924

7 Engineers Registration Act 1924 called principal Act in this Part

In this Part, the Engineers Registration Act 1924 is called “the principal Act”.

8 Qualifications of applicants for registration as engineers

Section 6 of the principal Act is amended by adding the following subsection:

- “(3) For the purposes of subsection (1), a person who is ordinarily resident in Singapore must be treated as being ordinarily resident in New Zealand.”

Part 3

Amendment to Tariff Act 1988

9 Tariff Act 1988 called principal Act in this Part

In this Part, the Tariff Act 1988 is called “the principal Act”.

10 New section 7A inserted

The principal Act is amended by inserting, after section 7, the following section:

“7A Application of Tariff to goods of Singaporean origin

The rate of duty of Free applies under the Tariff to all goods being the produce or manufacture of Singapore.”

Legislative history

8 November 2000	Introduction (Bill 75–1)
15 November 2000	First reading and referral to Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Committee
30 November 2000	Reported from Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Committee
7 December 2000	Second reading
12 December 2000	Committee of the whole House
13 December 2000	Third reading
14 December 2000	Royal assent

This Act is administered in the Ministry of Economic Development.
