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under the

Motor Accidents Compensation Act 1999

His Excellency the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, has made the following Regulation under the *Motor Accidents Compensation Act* 1999.

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Special Minister of State

Explanatory note

The objects of this Regulation are:

- (a) to provide for the reconstitution of the Board of the Motor Accidents Authority on 13 September 1999 in accordance with the provisions of the new *Motor Accidents Compensation Act 1999* pending the commencement of the substantive provisions of that Act on 5 October 1999, and
- (b) to ensure that third-party insurance policies issued under the *Motor Accidents Act 1988* before, and for a period extending beyond, the commencement of the substantive provisions of the new Act have effect, in connection with motor vehicle accidents occurring on or after 5 October 1999, as third-party policies issued under the new Act, and
- (c) to make a transitional interpretative provision with respect to provisions of the new Act relating to the setting of third-party insurance premiums that commence on 13 September 1999.

This Regulation is made under the *Motor Accidents Compensation Act 1999* (including section 228 and clauses 2 and 4 (3) of Schedule 5).

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Part 1 Preliminary

1 Name of Regulation

This Regulation is the *Motor Accidents Compensation Regulation* 1999.

2 Commencement

This Regulation commences on 13 September 1999.

3 Definitions

In this Regulation: *the Act* means the *Motor Accidents Compensation Act 1999*.

4 Notes

The explanatory note, table of contents and notes in the text of this Regulation do not form part of this Regulation.

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5 Reconstitution of Motor Accidents Authority Board

(1) In this clause:

new Board means the Board of Directors under the *Motor Accidents Compensation Act 1999*.

previous Board means the Board of Directors constituted under the *Motor Accidents Act 1988*.

- (2) This clause has effect on and from 13 September 1999 and until (and including) 4 October 1999, and is made pursuant to clause 4
 (3) of Schedule 5 to the *Motor Accidents Compensation Act 1999*.
- (3) During the period this clause has effect the previous Board is re-constituted so that it consists of:
 - (a) the General Manager of the Authority, and

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- (b) the persons who are appointed as part-time directors of the new Board (pursuant to section 199 of the *Motor Accidents Compensation Act 1999* and section 26 of the *Interpretation Act 1987*) and whose appointments to the new Board are to take effect on 5 October 1999.
- (4) The persons who held office, immediately before 13 September 1999, as part-time directors of the previous Board cease to hold that office on that date. Clause 4 (2) of Schedule 5 to the *Motor Accidents Compensation Act 1999* applies to a person so ceasing to hold office.

Note. 5 October 1999 has been appointed for the abolition of the Board of Directors constituted under the *Motor Accidents Act 1988* (See clause 4 (1) of Schedule 5 to the *Motor Accidents Compensation Act 1999*). The date has also been appointed for the commencement of the *Motor Accidents Compensation Act 1999* and the constitution of the new Board of Directors under that Act. Section 26 of the *Interpretation Act 1987* enables the appointment of directors of the new Board before the commencement of the new Act, but the appointments do not take effect until that commencement. Clause 4 (3) of Schedule 5 to the new Act enables the Board of Directors under the 1988 Act to be reconstituted for the purposes of that Act (before the commencement of the new Board.

6 Current third-party insurance policies issued under the 1988 Act

- (1) A third-party policy of insurance issued under the *Motor Accidents Act 1988* that has effect for any period on or after 5 October 1999 is taken, in respect of any motor accident occurring on or after 5 October 1999, to be a third-party policy of insurance issued under the *Motor Accidents Compensation Act 1999*.
- (2) Any such policy may be cancelled on or after 5 October 1999 only in accordance with the provisions of the *Motor Accidents Compensation Act 1999*.

7 Early commencement of Part 2.3 (Insurance premiums)

On and from 13 September 1999 and until (and including) 4 October 1999, a reference in Part 2.3 of the Act to:

- (a) the Authority is a reference to the Authority constituted under the *Motor Accidents Act 1988*, and
- (b) a licensed insurer is a reference to a licensed insurer under the *Motor Accidents Act 1988*.

BY AUTHORITY