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ACT ON REGISTRATION AND EVALUATION, ETC. OF CHEMICALS

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CHAPTER I General Provisions

Article 1 (Purpose)

The purpose of this Act is to protect public health and the environment by providing for matters concerning the registration and reporting of chemical substances, the review and assessment of the hazards and risks of chemical substances, and the designation of hazardous chemical substances and by producing and utilizing information on chemical substances. <Amended by Act No. 15512, Mar. 20, 2018>

Article 2 (Definitions) <Amended by Act No. 15512, Mar. 20, 2018, Act 15584, Apr. 17>

The terms used in this Act shall be defined as follows:

1. The term "chemical substance" means an element, its compounds, and substances obtained by artificial chemical reaction thereto, and substances obtained by chemical modification, extraction, or purification of substances in their natural state;
2. The term "mixture" means a substance or solution composed of at least two substances;
3. The term "existing chemical substance" means any of the following chemical substances:
 - (a) Chemical substances publicly notified by the Minister of Environment in consultation with the Minister of Employment and Labor, which were domestically distributed for commercial purposes before February 2, 1991;
 - (b) Chemical substances publicly notified by the Minister of Environment, the hazard reviews thereof have been conducted pursuant to the former Toxic Chemicals Control Act after February 2, 1991.
4. The term "new chemical substance" means any of the chemical substances excluding existing chemical substances;
5. Deleted <Amended by Act No. 15512, Mar.20, 2018>;
6. The term "toxic substance" means a hazardous chemical substance designated and publicly notified by the Minister of Environment according to standards prescribed by Presidential Decree;
7. The term "substance subject to permission" means a chemical substance likely to pose a risk, for which permission by the Minister of Environment is required prior to manufacture, importation, or use, and which is publicly notified by the Minister of Environment after consultation with the heads of relevant central administrative agencies in accordance with Article 25 and deliberation by the Chemical Substance Evaluation Committee under Article 7;
8. The term "restricted substance" means a chemical substance deemed to pose a great risk, if used for