



# Industrial Assurance and Friendly Societies Act 1948

## 1948 CHAPTER 39

*Miscellaneous and general.*

### 23 Interpretation.

- (1) In this Act, except where the context otherwise requires.—
  - (a) the expression " society " means a society for any of the purposes specified in section eight of the Act of 1896, the expression " registered society " means a society registered under that Act, and references to a society or to a registered society or to a registered friendly society include references to a branch of such a society ;
  - (b) the expression " policy " includes any contract of assurance, and for the purposes of this Act the date of the making of any such contract shall be deemed to be the date of the issue of a policy ;
  - (c) the expression " proposal " in relation to an insurance, includes an application for an insurance, and the expression " proposer " shall be construed accordingly ; and
  - (d) the expression " trade union " means a trade union within the meaning of the Trade Union Act, 1913.
- (2) In this Act the expression " parent " includes a stepfather and a stepmother.
- (3) It is hereby declared that the provision made by subsection (5) of section five of the Adoption of Children Act, 1926, and by subsection (6) of section five of the Adoption of Children (Scotland) Act, 1930, that the adopter of a child shall be deemed to be the parent of the child for the purposes of enactments relating to friendly societies, collecting societies and industrial assurance companies, applies for all the purposes of any enactment so relating, whether passed before or after the commencement of the said Act of 1926 or of the said Act of 1930, as the case may be, and including this Act.