

Act no. 232 of 21 April 1999 (In force)

## Act on Prohibition of Certain Doping Substances <sup>1)</sup>

WE MARGRETHE THE SECOND, by the Grace of God Queen of Denmark, hereby make known:  
The Danish Parliament has passed and We have confirmed by Royal Consent the following Act:

**1.** This Act shall apply to the following groups of doping substances:

- 1) Anabolic steroids.
- 2) Testosterone and derivatives thereof as well as similar substances with androgenic effects.
- 3) Growth hormone.
- 4) Erythropoietin and substances that have a similar effect by increasing the number of erythrocytes in the blood to a level above normal values for the relevant age and gender.
- 5) Substances that increase the production and release of
  - a) growth hormone,
  - b) testosterone and derivatives thereof as well as similar substances with androgenic effects, or
  - c) natural erythropoietin.

**2.** The Minister for Health is authorised to stipulate to which other groups of doping substances this Act is to apply.

**3.-(1)** The doping substances mentioned in sections 1 and 2 may not be manufactured, imported, exported, marketed, dispensed, distributed or possessed, except for use for prevention or treatment of illness or for scientific purposes.

**(2)** The use for prevention or treatment of illness mentioned in subsection (1) shall, as regards private individuals, be prescribed by a doctor.

**(3)** The Minister for Health may grant exemptions from the provision in subsection (1). The Minister may lay down more detailed terms of such exemption.

**4.-(1)** Violation of section 3(1) or terms as mentioned in section 3(3), 2nd clause shall be subject to a fine or imprisonment of up to two years.

**(2)** Companies, etc. (legal persons) may incur criminal liability according to the regulations in chapter 5 of the Criminal Code.

**5.-(1)** This Act shall enter into force on 1 July 1999.

**(2)** At the same time, Act no. 916 of 8 December 1993 on Prohibition of Certain Doping Substances shall be repealed.

**6.** This Act shall not extend to the Faroe Islands and Greenland, but may be brought into force by Royal Decree for the Faroe Islands subject to any variations in their operation necessitated by the specific conditions prevailing in the Faroe Islands.

*Given at Christiansborg Castle, 21 April 1999*

Under Our Royal Hand and Seal

Margrethe R.

/Carsten Koch

Official notes

<sup>1</sup> The regulations have been notified in accordance with Directive 98/34/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 June 1998 laying down a procedure for the provision of information in the field of technical standards and regulations (Official Journal 1998 L 204 of 21 July 1998, p. 37)