5. Interpretation

(1) In this Act, unless the contrary intention appears —

"accredited" means accredited by the Council;

"Board" means the State Training Board established by section 8;

"chief executive" means the chief executive officer of the department;

"college" means a college established under section 35;

- "Council" means the Training Accreditation Council established by section 25 (1);
- "course" means a sequence of vocational education and training and includes a part or component of a course;
- "department" means the department of the Public Service principally assisting the Minister in the administration of this Act;
- **"educational institution"** means an institution providing education of any kind and includes a training provider;
- **"governing council"** means a governing council provided for by section 39 (1);
- **"industry training advisory body"** means an association, whether incorporated or not, which is conversant with, and capable of giving advice in relation to, the vocational education and training requirements of a particular industry;
- "interim governing council" means an interim governing council appointed under section 41 (3);
- **"member"** means a member of the Board, the Council, a governing council or an interim governing council as the context requires and includes, where appropriate, the chairperson or deputy chairperson of any of those bodies;
- "other vocational education and training institution" means a vocational education and training institution established under section 57 (2);
- **"public training provider"** means a college or other vocational education and training institution;
- **"registered training provider"** means a training provider registered by the Council;
- **"Resource Agreement"** means an agreement between the Minister and a training provider relating to the vocational education and training to be provided by that training provider;
- **"skills training programme"** means a programme of vocational education and training which may include recognition of skills or qualifications previously acquired;
- **"State Training Profile"** means a comprehensive plan for the provision of vocational education and training in the State;
- **"State training system"** means the vocational education and training system operating under this Act;
- **"training provider"** means a person or entity who or which provides vocational education and training and includes a secondary school or university that provides a course, programme or service approved under section 6;

- "training scheme" means a training scheme established or recognized under section 58;
- **"vocational education and training"** means post-compulsory education, instruction, training or experience that encompasses the development of skills, knowledge and attitudes in any vocation, or in any academic or practical discipline relevant to a particular occupation, business, employment or trade, but, subject to section 6, does not include education, instruction, training or experience provided by a secondary school or a university.
- (2) A reference in this Act to the "**training market**" is a reference to the market in which the vocational education and training required by a State Training Profile may be purchased by the State from either public or private training providers.