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(ADDITIONAL FUNCTIONS) ACT**

(CHAPTER 16A)

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Attorney-General (Additional Functions) Act

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An Act to confer on the Attorney-General certain functions in addition to functions conferred by or under the Constitution of the Republic of Singapore (1999 Reprint) and any other written law.

[1 January 2015]

Short title

1. This Act is the Attorney-General (Additional Functions) Act.

Interpretation

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires —
“administrative decision” means a decision of an administrative character which is, is proposed to be, or is required to be, made (whether or not in the exercise of a discretion and whether before, on or after 1 January 2015) under any public Act;

“instrument of legislative character” includes an instrument of legislative character made before 1 January 2015 under any public Act;

“judicial review” includes proceedings instituted by way of —

- (a) an application in respect of an administrative decision for a Mandatory Order, Prohibiting Order or Quashing Order, or in respect of an instrument of legislative character for a Quashing Order; or
- (b) an application for a declaration or an injunction, or any other suit or action, relating to or arising out of any administrative decision or instrument of legislative character;

“relevant statutory board” means any statutory board specified in the Schedule;

“statutory board” means a body corporate or unincorporate established by or under any public Act to perform or discharge a public function.

Representing relevant statutory boards in judicial review and related court proceedings

3.—(1) The Attorney-General may represent a relevant statutory board in a judicial review instituted by any person in respect of an administrative decision or instrument of legislative character of the relevant statutory board, and in any proceedings in court (however instituted) for a liquidated sum, damages, equitable relief or restitution if a Mandatory Order, Prohibiting Order, Quashing Order or declaration is made pursuant to the judicial review, if —

- (a) the relevant statutory board makes a request to the Attorney-General for such representation;
- (b) the Minister charged with the responsibility for the relevant statutory board consents to such representation;
- (c) the Attorney-General is of the opinion that the Government and the relevant statutory board have no conflicting interests in the matter; and

(d) the Attorney-General is of the opinion that such representation is not contrary to the public interest.

(2) Any decision made by the Attorney-General to, or not to, represent a relevant statutory board pursuant to subsection (1) is final and conclusive.

Representing relevant statutory boards in other court proceedings

4.—(1) The Attorney-General may represent a relevant statutory board in other proceedings in court (however instituted) not mentioned in section 3(1), if —

- (a) the relevant statutory board makes a request to the Attorney-General for such representation;
- (b) the Minister charged with the responsibility for the relevant statutory board consents to such representation;
- (c) the Attorney-General is of the opinion that the Government and the relevant statutory board have no conflicting interests in the matter; and
- (d) the Attorney-General is of the opinion that the proceedings concern a matter of public importance.

(2) Any decision made by the Attorney-General to, or not to, represent a relevant statutory board pursuant to subsection (1) is final and conclusive.

Fees

5. The Attorney-General may require a relevant statutory board to pay a fee of such reasonable amount as the Attorney-General determines for representing the relevant statutory board in any proceedings in court mentioned in section 3 or 4, and that fee is to be a charge on the funds of that statutory board.

Amendment of Schedule

6. The President may, by order published in the *Gazette*, amend the Schedule.

THE SCHEDULE

Sections 2 and 6

RELEVANT STATUTORY BOARDS

1. Building and Construction Authority
2. Casino Regulatory Authority of Singapore
3. Central Provident Fund Board
4. Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore
5. Energy Market Authority of Singapore
6. Health Sciences Authority
7. Housing and Development Board
8. Info-communications Media Development Authority
9. Inland Revenue Authority of Singapore
10. Intellectual Property Office of Singapore
11. Land Transport Authority of Singapore
12. Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore
13. Monetary Authority of Singapore
14. National Environment Agency
15. National Heritage Board
16. National Parks Board
17. Presidential Elections Committee
18. Public Transport Council
19. Public Utilities Board
20. Singapore Land Authority
21. SkillsFuture Singapore Agency
22. Urban Redevelopment Authority
23. Agri-Food and Veterinary Authority
[S 753/2018 wef 16/11/2018]
24. Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority
[S 871/2018 wef 28/12/2018]

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY
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(ADDITIONAL FUNCTIONS) ACT
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This Legislative History is provided for the convenience of users of the Attorney-General (Additional Functions) Act. It is not part of the Act.

1. Act 25 of 2014 — Attorney-General (Additional Functions) Act 2014

Date of First Reading : 7 July 2014
(Bill No. 19/2014)

Date of Second and Third Readings : 5 August 2014

Date of commencement : 1 January 2015

2. G.N. No. S 17/2015 — Attorney-General (Additional Functions) Act (Amendment of Schedule) Order 2015

Date of commencement : 21 January 2015

3. G.N. No. S 63/2015 — Attorney-General (Additional Functions) Act (Amendment of Schedule) (No. 2) Order 2015

Date of commencement : 10 February 2015

4. G.N. No. S 293/2015 — Attorney-General (Additional Functions) Act (Amendment of Schedule) (No. 3) Order 2015

Date of commencement : 18 May 2015

5. G.N. No. S 371/2015 — Attorney-General (Additional Functions) Act (Amendment of Schedule) (No. 4) Order 2015

Date of commencement : 16 June 2015

6. G.N. No. S 375/2016 — Attorney-General (Additional Functions) Act (Amendment of Schedule) Order 2016

Date of commencement : 1 August 2016

7. Act 22 of 2016 — Info-Communications Media Development Authority Act 2016

(Amendments made by)

Date of First Reading : 11 July 2016
(Bill No. 21/2016)

Date of Second and Third Readings : 16 August 2016

Date of commencement : 1 October 2016 (section 102(2))

8. Act 24 of 2016 — SkillsFuture Singapore Agency Act 2016

(Amendments made by)

Date of First Reading : 11 July 2016
(Bill No. 24/2016)

Date of Second and Third Readings : 16 August 2016

Date of commencement : 3 October 2016 (section 78(2))

9. G.N. No. S 278/2017 — Attorney-General (Additional Functions) Act (Amendment of Schedule) Order 2017

Date of commencement : 1 June 2017

10. 2017 Revised Edition — Attorney-General (Additional Functions) Act (Chapter 16A)

Date of operation : 30 November 2017

11. G.N. No. S 753/2018 — Attorney-General (Additional Functions) Act (Amendment of Schedule) Order 2018

Date of commencement : 16 November 2018

12. G.N. No. S 871/2018 — Attorney-General (Additional Functions) Act (Amendment of Schedule) (No. 2) Order 2018

Date of commencement : 28 December 2018