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### EDUCATION ENDOWMENT AND SAVINGS SCHEMES ACT (CHAPTER 87A)

#### EDUCATION ENDOWMENT AND SAVINGS SCHEMES (EDUSAVE PUPILS FUND) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2014

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 24 of the Education Endowment and Savings Schemes Act, the Minister for Education hereby makes the following Regulations:

#### **Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Education Endowment and Savings Schemes (Edusave Pupils Fund) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 and shall come into operation on 10 November 2014.

#### **Amendment of regulation 2**

2. Regulation 2 of the Education Endowment and Savings Schemes (Edusave Pupils Fund) Regulations (Rg 1) (referred to in these Regulations as the principal Regulations) is amended —

- (a) by deleting the definitions of “Edusave Scheme Administrator”, “junior college”, “prescribed school”, “primary school” and “secondary school” in paragraph (1);
- (b) by deleting the words “primary school or secondary” in the definition of “Government school” in paragraph (1);
- (c) by deleting the definition of “Government-aided school” in paragraph (1) and substituting the following definition:

“ “Government-aided school” means a school (not being an independent school) which —

- (a) is established by a person other than the Government; and

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- (b) is conducted by a committee of management in receipt of a grant-in-aid from the Government to defray the costs and expenses of conducting the school;”;
- (d) by deleting the word “secondary” in the definition of “independent school” in paragraph (1);
- (e) by deleting the word “pupils” in the definition of “special education school” in paragraph (1) and substituting the word “students”;
- (f) by deleting paragraph (2); and
- (g) by deleting the words “section 9 of the Act and these Regulations” in paragraph (3) and substituting the words “the Act”.

### **Deletion of regulations 3 and 4 and new regulation 3**

3. Regulations 3 and 4 of the principal Regulations are deleted and the following regulation substituted therefor:

#### **“Edusave Qualifying Ages**

3. For the purposes of the Act, the Edusave Qualifying Ages means the age range that spans from 7 years old to 16 years old (both ages inclusive).”.

### **Amendment of regulation 5**

4. Regulation 5 of the principal Regulations is amended —

- (a) by deleting the word “pupil” wherever it appears in paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) and substituting in each case the word “student”;
- (b) by deleting the word “and” at the end of paragraph (e); and
- (c) by deleting paragraph (f) and substituting the following paragraphs:
- “(f) where the member is a student of any prescribed school or junior college, for the whole or part of the expenses payable for any enrichment

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programme approved by the prescribed school or junior college;

- (g) where the member is a student attending an educational institution in Singapore that is neither a prescribed school nor a junior college, for the whole or part of the expenses payable for an enrichment programme conducted wholly in Singapore, being a programme organised by the educational institution and of the type or within the category of programmes approved by the Edusave Scheme Administrator;
- (h) where the member receives home-schooling in accordance with paragraph 3(1)(b) of the Compulsory Education (Exemption) Order (Cap. 51, O 1), for the cost incurred by the member's parent for organising or enrolling the member in an enrichment programme conducted wholly in Singapore and of the type or within the category of programmes approved by the Edusave Scheme Administrator; and
- (i) in any other case, for the cost incurred by a member's parent for organising or enrolling the member in an enrichment programme that is conducted wholly in Singapore and is approved by the Edusave Scheme Administrator.”.

### **Amendment of regulation 6**

5. Regulation 6 of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting paragraphs (2) and (3) and substituting the following paragraph:

“(2) The duly completed application form and any supporting documents which may be required by the Edusave Scheme Administrator must be submitted to the Edusave Scheme Administrator —

- (a) where the member is a student of a prescribed school, junior college or other educational institution in

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Singapore, through the prescribed school, junior college or educational institution, as the case may be; and

(b) in any other case, by the member's parent.”.

### **Deletion and substitution of regulation 7 and new regulation 7A**

6. Regulation 7 of the principal Regulations is deleted and the following regulations substituted therefor:

#### **“Manner of withdrawal and application of moneys withdrawn from Edusave account**

7.—(1) Where the Edusave Scheme Administrator has approved an application to withdraw an amount of money from a member's Edusave account, the Edusave Scheme Administrator is to transfer, by electronic fund transfer, the amount approved from the Edusave account —

- (a) where the application was submitted through a prescribed school or junior college, to the designated bank account in Singapore of the prescribed school or junior college, as the case may be; or
- (b) where the application was submitted through an educational institution in Singapore that is neither a prescribed school nor a junior college, to the designated bank account in Singapore of the educational institution, or of the member or another person as the Edusave Scheme Administrator may approve in so far as the educational institution declines receiving payment of those moneys; or
- (c) in any other case, to the designated bank account in Singapore of that member, or of another person as the Edusave Scheme Administrator may approve.

(2) The prescribed school, junior college, educational institution or parent, as the case may be, must ensure that an amount equal to the amount transferred under paragraph (1) pursuant to an application to withdraw is applied to the purposes for which the application to withdraw was made.

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**Amount of withdrawal from Edusave account**

**7A.** The amount that may be withdrawn on any single occasion, from a member’s Edusave account, must be not less than \$1 but not more than the balance in the member’s Edusave account, whichever is the lower, at the time of the withdrawal.”.

**Deletion and substitution of regulation 9**

7. Regulation 9 of the principal Regulations is deleted and the following regulation substituted therefor:

**“Where moneys withdrawn from Edusave account are not used for purpose of withdrawal**

**9.—**(1) Where an amount transferred from a member’s Edusave account to another person’s designated bank account referred to in regulation 7(1) is not used or not fully used (called the unused amount), that other person must refund an amount equal to the unused amount.

(2) The unused amount must be refunded in such manner as the Edusave Scheme Administrator may require and the refund must be made —

- (a) to the Edusave Pupils Fund to the member’s credit; or
- (b) where the member’s Edusave account is closed when the refund is to be made and the member is a member of the PSE Fund, to the PSE Fund to the member’s credit as a member of that Fund.”.

**Amendment of regulation 11**

**8.** Regulation 11 of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the word “Board” in paragraphs (1) and (2) and substituting in each case the words “Edusave Scheme Administrator”.

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