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The following Act was passed by Parliament on 13th July 2015 and assented to by the President on 4th August 2015:—

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No. 19 of 2015.

I assent.

TONY TAN KENG YAM,
President.
4th August 2015.

(LS)

An Act to amend the Insurance Act (Chapter 142 of the 2002 Revised Edition).

Be it enacted by the President with the advice and consent of the Parliament of Singapore, as follows:

Short title and commencement

1. This Act may be cited as the Insurance (Amendment) Act 2015 and comes into operation on such date as the Minister may, by notification in the *Gazette*, appoint.

New section 26

2. The Insurance Act is amended by inserting, immediately after section 25, the following section:

“Regulation of payment of remuneration

26.—(1) Any licensed insurer must not pay to any licensed financial adviser or exempt financial adviser, or a representative or a supervisor of any licensed financial adviser or exempt financial adviser, any remuneration in relation to —

- (a) the provision of any financial advisory service in connection with any life policy; or
- (b) the sale of any life policy following the provision of any financial advisory service,

except in accordance with regulations made under section 64 or a written notice issued by the Authority.

(2) The regulations or written notice referred to in subsection (1) may prescribe or specify the following:

- (a) the type and amount of the remuneration which may be payable in any particular period;
- (b) how the payment is to be made.

(3) Subsection (1) applies only to payment of remuneration which accrues —

- (a) on or after the date of commencement of section 2 of the Insurance (Amendment) Act 2015 (called in this section the commencement date); and
- (b) under any agreement or arrangement whether made before, on or after the commencement date.

(4) Any licensed insurer required to comply with subsection (1) must do so despite —

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- (a) any written law in force on the commencement date or any rule of law to the contrary; or
 - (b) any agreement or arrangement entered into before, on or after the commencement date.

(5) Any licensed insurer which complies with subsection (1) is not to be treated as having breached —

- (a) any rule of law or written law referred to in subsection (4)(a); or
- (b) any agreement or arrangement referred to in subsection (4)(b) which was entered into before the commencement date,

and no such agreement or arrangement is taken to be brought to an end by frustration solely by reason of any act done in compliance with subsection (1), or any regulation or written notice referred to in that subsection.

(6) Any licensed insurer which contravenes subsection (1) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$25,000 and, in the case of a continuing offence, to a further fine not exceeding \$2,500 for every day or part of a day during which the offence continues after conviction.

(7) In this section —

“remuneration” includes —

- (a) any monetary commission, incentive, benefit or reward;
- (b) any non-monetary incentive, benefit or reward; and
- (c) such other consideration as prescribed under section 64 or specified by the Authority by written notice;

“supervisor”, in relation to a financial adviser, has the same meaning as in section 2(1) of the Financial Advisers Act (Cap. 110).”