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Public Entertainments and Meetings (Amendment) Bill

Bill No. 22/2017.

Read the first time on 3 April 2017.

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An Act to rename and amend the Public Entertainments and Meetings Act (Chapter 257 of the 2001 Revised Edition) and to make consequential amendments to certain other Acts.

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 is the Public Entertainments and Meetings (Amendment) Act 2017 and comes into operation on a date that the Minister appoints by notification in the *Gazette*.

5 Amendment of long title

2. The long title to the Public Entertainments and Meetings Act (called in this Act the principal Act) is amended by deleting the words "and meetings".

Amendment of section 1

3. Section 1 of the principal Act is amended by deleting the words "and Meetings".

Amendment of section 2

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- **4.** Section 2 of the principal Act is amended
 - (a) by deleting the word "Schedule" in the definitions of "arts entertainment" and "public entertainment" in subsection (1) and substituting in each case the words "First Schedule":
 - (b) by inserting, immediately after the definition of "Arts Entertainment Licensing Officer" in subsection (1), the following definition:
 - ""authorised person" means an individual appointed as an authorised person under section 4(2);";
 - (c) by inserting, immediately after the definition of "public entertainment" in subsection (1), the following definition:
 - ""Public Entertainment Appeal Board" means the Public Entertainment Appeal Board established under section 16AA;";
 - (d) by inserting, immediately after the definition of "Public Entertainment Licensing Officer" in subsection (1), the following definition:

""responsible officer", in relation to an applicant or a licensee, means —

(a) where the applicant or licensee is a body corporate, a director of the body corporate;

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- (b) where the applicant or licensee is a partnership (including a limited partnership and limited liability partnership), a partner of the partnership; and
- (c) where the applicant or licensee is an unincorporated association registered under the Societies Act (Cap. 311), an officer of the unincorporated association;";
- (e) by deleting the word "Schedule" in subsection (2) and substituting the words "First Schedule";
- (f) by inserting, immediately after subsection (2), the following subsection:
 - "(2AA) In determining any approved place for the purposes of this Act, the appropriate Licensing Officer
 - (a) must act in conformity with the provisions of the Master Plan and any Certified Interpretation Plan under the Planning Act (Cap. 232) and any authorisation under section 21(6) of that Act; and
 - (b) may approve an approved place, subject to written permission being obtained under the Planning Act for any development of or works on the land that constitutes the approved place, if required."; and
- (g) by deleting the word "Schedule" in subsection (2B) and substituting the word "Schedules".