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Road Traffic (Amendment) Bill

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A BILL

intituled

An Act to amend the Road Traffic Act (Chapter 276 of the 2004 Revised Edition), to validate certain sums collected for the purposes of that Act, and to make related amendments to the Motor Vehicles (Third-Party Risks and Compensation) Act (Chapter 189 of the 2000 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.—(1) This Act is the Road Traffic (Amendment) Act 2017 and, except for section 2, comes into operation on a date that the Minister charged with the responsibility for land transport appoints by notification in the *Gazette*.

(2) Section 2 is deemed to have come into operation on 22 January 2016.

Amendment of long title

2. The long title to the Road Traffic Act (called in this Act the principal Act) is amended by deleting the words “and the operation of bus interchanges”.

Amendment of section 2

3. Section 2(1) of the principal Act is amended —

(a) by inserting, immediately after the definition of “Authority”, the following definitions:

““automated vehicle technology” means any particular technology that —

(a) relates to the design, construction or use of autonomous motor vehicles; or

(b) otherwise relates to advances in the design or construction of autonomous motor vehicles;

“autonomous motor vehicle” means a motor vehicle equipped wholly or substantially with an autonomous system (also commonly known as a driverless vehicle), and includes a trailer drawn by such a motor vehicle;

“autonomous system”, for a motor vehicle, means a system that enables the operation of the motor vehicle without the active physical control of, or monitoring by, a human operator;”;

(b) by deleting the definition of “Deputy Commissioner of Police” and substituting the following definition:

““Deputy Commissioner of Police”, in relation to any provision of this Act or rules or any other subsidiary legislation made under this Act, means the Deputy Commissioner of Police designated by the Commissioner of Police for the purposes of that provision, and includes any police officer who —

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(a) is not below the rank of sergeant; and

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(b) is authorised under the hand of the Deputy Commissioner of Police for the purposes of that provision, to exercise the powers of that Deputy Commissioner of Police;”;

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(c) by deleting the word “transport” in paragraphs (a) and (c) of the definition of “Minister” and substituting in each case the words “land transport”;

(d) by inserting, immediately after the words “sections 75(1),” in paragraph (b) of the definition of “Minister”, “82,”;

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(e) by deleting the words “home affairs” in paragraphs (b) and (c) of the definition of “Minister” and substituting in each case the words “law and order”;

(f) by deleting the definition of “motor vehicle” and substituting the following definition:

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““motor vehicle” means a vehicle that —

(a) is propelled wholly or partly by a motor or by any means other than human or animal power; and

(b) is used or intended to be used on any road;”;

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(g) by inserting, immediately before the definition of “police officer”, the following definition: