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Town Councils (Amendment) Bill

Bill No. 9/2017.

Read the first time on 6 February 2017.

A BILL

intituled

An Act to amend the Town Councils Act (Chapter 329A 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. This Act is the Town Councils (Amendment) Act 2017 and comes into operation on a date that the Minister appoints by notification in the *Gazette*.

Amendment of section 2

- **2.** Section 2 of the Town Councils Act (called in this Act the principal Act) is amended
 - (a) by deleting the definition of "commercial property" in subsection (1) and substituting the following definition:
 - ""commercial property" means any building or premises vested in or belonging to the Board (or part of such building or premises) which is permitted under the Planning Act (Cap. 232) to be used wholly or partly as
 - (a) a market, food centre, confectionery, bakery, restaurant or bar, or an eating house;
 - (b) an office or a place of business and for conducting administrative work;
 - (c) a shop or premises for the carrying on of any trade or business where the primary purpose is the sale of goods by retail or the provision of services;

Examples

A furniture shop, department store, supermarket, dispensary, medical clinic, dental clinic, beauty salon, ticket agency, travel agency, laundry shop, dry cleaner's shop, pet shop, video games arcade, computer gaming centre, billiard saloon, bowling alley, bank or multimedia kiosk, or an automated teller machine.

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(d) a place —

(i) for the care or education, or care and education, of children below 7 years of age; or

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5 (ii) at which or more school-going children who are 7 years of age or older but below 14 years of age habitually received for the purposes of care and supervision before after or school hours;

(e) premises —

- (i) for the reception, lodging and care of aged or disabled persons or persons suffering or convalescing from any sickness, injury or infirmity; or
- (ii) for any type of examination of the human body or of any matter derived from the human body for the purpose of providing information for the diagnosis, prevention or treatment of any disease or for the assessment of the health of any person;

Examples

A hospice, convalescent home or nursing home, or a dialysis centre, cancer screening centre or medical health centre.

(f) a kindergarten registered under section 23 of the Education Act