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Customs (Amendment) Bill

Bill No. 19/2011.

Read the first time on 18th October 2011.

A BILL

i n t i t u l e d

An Act to amend the Customs Act (Chapter 70 of the 2004 Revised Edition) and to make consequential amendments to the Road Traffic Act (Chapter 276 of the 2004 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 Customs (Amendment) Act 2011 and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by notification in the *Gazette*, appoint.

5 Amendment of section 3

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

(a) by inserting, immediately after the definition of “complete month”, the following definition:

10 “ “compressed natural gas” or “CNG” means natural gas that has been compressed for use in motor vehicles;”;

(b) by deleting the words “licensed for the warehousing of dutiable goods under section 51(1) or 83(4)” in the definition of “licensed warehouse” and substituting the words “licensed or deemed to be licensed under section 51(1), 63(1), or 83(4) (if the licence granted under section 83(4) covers an activity for which a licence under section 51(1), 63(1) or 66(1) is required)”;

(c) by inserting, immediately after the definition of “master”, the following definition:

20 “ “motor fuel” means motor spirit or CNG;”;

(d) by deleting the words “, motor fuel” in the definition of “motor spirit”.

Amendment of section 31

25 3. Section 31 of the Customs Act is amended —

(a) by deleting paragraph (a) of subsection (1) and substituting the following paragraph:

“(a) by sea —

30 (i) at such authorised piers and places in Singapore as may be prescribed generally

for all goods or in relation to such goods as may be specified; or

- (ii) at such piers and places in Singapore that the Director-General, under prescribed circumstances, determines to be authorised piers and places in relation to such goods as the Director-General may determine;”;
and

- (b) by inserting, immediately after subsection (1), the following subsection:

“(1A) In prescribing an authorised pier or place in Singapore or the circumstances in which the Director-General may determine an authorised pier or place for the purposes of subsection (1)(a), the Minister may prescribe that the operator of the authorised pier or place comply with such requirements and restrictions as the Director-General may impose in connection with any operations carried out at the authorised pier or place.”.

Amendment of section 34

4. Section 34(2) of the Customs Act is amended —

- (a) by inserting, immediately before the word “petroleum” in paragraph (d), the words “motor fuel or”; and
(b) by deleting the words “the fuel supply tank” in paragraph (d)(i)(A) and substituting the words “a fuel supply tank”.

Amendment of section 51

5. Section 51 of the Customs Act is amended by deleting subsections (6) and (7).

Amendment of section 63

6. Section 63 of the Customs Act is amended by deleting subsection (6).

Amendment of section 66

7. Section 66 of the Customs Act is amended by deleting subsection (3).

Amendment of section 82

5 8. Section 82 of the Customs Act is amended by deleting subsection (7).

Amendment of section 83

9. Section 83(9) of the Customs Act is amended by deleting the words “section 37(3)(c)” in paragraph (b) of the definition of “specified activity” and substituting the words “section 37(5)(b)”.
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Amendment of section 87

10. Section 87(1) of the Customs Act is amended by inserting, immediately after the words “or other records may”, the words “, after the goods to which such records relate have been removed from customs control,”.
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Amendment of section 89

11. Section 89 of the Customs Act is amended —

(a) by deleting the word “or” at the end of subsection (1)(iv);

(b) by deleting the full-stop at the end of paragraph (v) of subsection (1) and substituting a semi-colon, and by inserting immediately thereafter the following paragraphs:
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“(vi) a prosecution of such offence under such written law (other than this Act and the Goods and Services Tax Act) as may be prescribed;
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(vii) enabling a public agency to enforce such provision of such written law (other than this Act and the Goods and Services Tax Act) as may be prescribed;

(viii) enabling a public agency to investigate such suspected offence under such written
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