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Environmental Protection and Management (Amendment) Bill

Bill No. 5/2011.

Read the first time on 14th February 2011.

A BILL

i n t i t u l e d

An Act to amend the Environmental Protection and Management Act
(Chapter 94A 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 Environmental Protection and Management (Amendment) Act 2011 and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by notification in the *Gazette*, appoint.

Amendment of section 2

2. Section 2 of the Environmental Protection and Management Act (referred to in this Act as the principal Act) is amended —

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

10 ““motor vehicle” shall have the same meaning as in the Road Traffic Act (Cap. 276);” and

(b) by deleting the definition of “qualified person” and substituting the following definition:

15 ““qualified person”, in relation to any industrial plant works referred to in section 33, means an appropriate qualified person appointed under section 8 or 11 of the Building Control Act (Cap. 29) in respect of building works which include industrial plant works;”.

Amendment of section 3

20 3. Section 3(2) of the principal Act is amended by inserting, immediately after the words “Town Council”, the words “or any auxiliary police officer appointed as such under the Police Force Act (Cap. 235)”.

Amendment of section 5

4. Section 5 of the principal Act is amended —

25 (a) by deleting the words “the Agency or” in subsection (1); and

(b) by deleting subsection (3) and substituting the following subsection:

30 “(3) No matter or thing done by the Director-General or by any authorised officer shall, if it were done with reasonable care and in good faith for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Act, subject him or such person personally to any liability whatsoever.”.

Amendment of section 6

5. Section 6 of the principal Act is amended —

- (a) by deleting the word “licence” in subsections (1) and (3) and substituting in each case the words “written permission”; and
- 5 (b) by deleting the word “Licence” in the section heading and substituting the words “Written permission”.

Amendment of section 7

6. Section 7 of the principal Act is amended —

- 10 (a) by deleting the word “licence” wherever it appears and substituting in each case the words “written permission”;
- (b) by renumbering the section as subsection (1) of that section, and by inserting immediately thereafter the following subsections:
 - 15 “(2) An owner or occupier of scheduled premises to whom any written permission is granted shall comply with every condition imposed under subsection (1).
 - “(3) Any person who fails to comply with subsection (2) shall be guilty of an offence.”; and
- (c) by deleting the word “licence” in the section heading and substituting the words “written permission”.

Amendment of section 8

7. Section 8 of the principal Act is amended —

- (a) by deleting the words “the written permission of” in subsection (1) and substituting the words “a permit granted by”; and
- 25 (b) by inserting, immediately after subsection (2), the following subsection:
 - “(3) Any person who contravenes subsection (1) shall be guilty of an offence.”.

Amendment of section 9

30 **8.** Section 9 of the principal Act is amended by renumbering the section as subsection (1) of that section, and by inserting immediately thereafter the following subsection:

“(2) Any person who fails to comply with subsection (1) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$5,000.”.

Amendment of section 13

- 5 **9.** Section 13(1) of the principal Act is amended by deleting paragraph (d) and substituting the following paragraph:

“*(d)* to alter or cease the method of operation or process used in or on the premises to prevent, cease or reduce air pollution;”.

Amendment of section 15

- 10 **10.** Section 15 of the principal Act is amended —

- (a) by deleting the word “licence” in subsections (1) and (3) and substituting in each case the words “written permission”; and
 - (b) by deleting the word “Licence” in the section heading and substituting the words “Written permission”.
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Amendment of section 16

- 11.** Section 16(1) of the principal Act is amended by deleting the word “licence” and substituting the words “written permission”.

Amendment of section 22

- 20 **12.** Section 22 of the principal Act is amended —

- (a) by inserting, immediately after the word “import,” in subsections (1) and (2), the word “manufacture,”;
 - (b) by deleting the words “or (2)” in subsection (3); and
 - (c) by inserting, immediately after the word “importation” in the section heading, the word “, manufacture”.
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Amendment of section 23

- 13.** Section 23 of the principal Act is amended —

- (a) by inserting, immediately after the word “import,” in subsection (1), the word “manufacture,”;