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# **Statutes (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill**

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**Bill No. 22/2011.**

*Read the first time on 21st November 2011.*

A BILL

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An Act to amend certain statutes of the Republic of Singapore.

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 may be cited as the Statutes (Miscellaneous Amendments) Act 2011 and shall, with the exception of section 29, come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by  
5 notification in the *Gazette*, appoint.

(2) Section 29 shall be deemed to have come into operation on 1st July 2010.

## **PART I**

### **AMENDMENTS TO WRITTEN LAWS RELATING TO 10 APPEALS TO HIGH COURT FROM STATUTORY TRIBUNALS**

#### **Amendment of Employment Act**

2. Section 117 of the Employment Act (Cap. 91, 2009 Ed.) is repealed and the following section substituted therefor:

#### **“Right of appeal**

15 **117.**—(1) Where any person interested is dissatisfied with the decision or order of the Commissioner, he may, within 14 days after the decision or order, appeal to the High Court from the decision or order.

20 (2) The procedure governing any such appeal to the High Court shall be as provided for in the Rules of Court.”.

#### **Amendment of Goods and Services Tax Act**

3. Section 54 of the Goods and Services Tax Act (Cap. 117A, 2005 Ed.) is amended by deleting subsection (3) and substituting the following subsection:

25 “(3) The procedure governing and the costs of any such appeal to the High Court shall be as provided for in the Rules of Court.”.

### **Amendment of Income Tax Act**

4. Section 81 of the Income Tax Act (Cap. 134, 2008 Ed.) is amended —

5 (a) by deleting subsection (3) and substituting the following subsection:

“(3) The procedure governing and the costs of any such appeal to the High Court shall be as provided for in the Rules of Court.”; and

(b) by deleting subsection (6).

### 10 **Amendment of Maintenance of Parents Act**

5. Section 18 of the Maintenance of Parents Act (Cap. 167B, 1996 Ed.) is amended by deleting subsection (3) and substituting the following subsection:

15 “(3) The procedure governing any such appeal to the High Court shall be as provided for in the Rules of Court.”.

### **Amendment of Work Injury Compensation Act**

6. Section 29 of the Work Injury Compensation Act (Cap. 354, 2009 Ed.) is amended by deleting subsection (2) and substituting the following subsection:

20 “(2) The procedure governing any such appeal to the High Court shall be as provided for in the Rules of Court.”.

## **PART II**

### **AMENDMENTS TO WRITTEN LAWS RELATING TO QUORUMS OF STATUTORY BOARDS**

### 25 **Amendment of Agri-food and Veterinary Authority Act**

7. Section 9 of the Agri-food and Veterinary Authority Act (Cap. 5, 2001 Ed.) is amended by deleting subsection (1) and substituting the following subsection:

“(1) The quorum at every meeting of the Authority shall be one-third of the total number of members in office or 4 members, whichever is the higher.”.

### **Amendment of Energy Market Authority of Singapore Act**

- 5     **8.** Paragraph 12 of the First Schedule to the Energy Market Authority of Singapore Act (Cap. 92B, 2002 Ed.) is amended by deleting sub-paragraph (1) and substituting the following sub-paragraph:

10         “(1) The quorum at every meeting of the Authority shall be one-third of the total number of members in office or 3 members, whichever is the higher, and no business shall be transacted unless a quorum is present.”.

### **Amendment of Medical Registration Act**

- 15     **9.** Section 12 of the Medical Registration Act (Cap. 174, 2004 Ed.) is amended by deleting subsection (2) and substituting the following subsection:

       “(2) The quorum at every meeting of the Medical Council shall be one-third of the total number of members in office or 7 members, whichever is the higher.”.

### **Amendment of National Environment Agency Act**

- 20     **10.** Section 9 of the National Environment Agency Act (Cap. 195, 2003 Ed.) is amended by deleting subsection (1) and substituting the following subsection:

25         “(1) The quorum at every meeting of the Agency shall be one-third of the total number of members in office or 4 members, whichever is the higher.”.