

# **Singapore Totalisator Board (Amendment) Bill**

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An Act to amend the Singapore Totalisator Board Act (Chapter 305A of the 1999 Revised Edition) and to make consequential amendments to the Betting Act (Chapter 21 of the 1985 Revised Edition) and the Common Gaming Houses Act (Chapter 49 of the 1985 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 Singapore Totalisator Board (Amendment) Act 2008 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 Singapore Totalisator Board Act (referred to in this Act as the principal Act) is amended —

- (a) by deleting the definition of “approved scheme” and substituting the following definition:

“ “advertisement” includes —

- (a) any notice, circular, pamphlet, brochure, programme, price-list, label, wrapper or other document; and
- (b) any announcement, notification or intimation to the public or any section thereof or to any person or persons made —
  - (i) orally or in writing;
  - (ii) by means of any poster, placard, notice or other document affixed, posted up or displayed on any wall, billboard or hoarding or on any other object or thing;
  - (iii) by means of producing or transmitting sound or light and whether for aural or visual reception or both;
  - (iv) by means of any writing on any vehicle or any object or thing; or
  - (v) in any other manner whatsoever;”;

- (b) by deleting the definitions of “totalisator agency” and “totalisator investment” and substituting the following definitions:

“ “totalisator agency” means any totalisator agency appointed by the Board, and includes any premises in which totalisator investments may be received;

“totalisator investment” means any money, currency note or cheque, or such other form of payment as may be approved by the Minister, received for investment on the totalisator;”;  
and

- (c) by deleting the full-stop at the end of the definition of “turf club” and substituting a semi-colon, and by inserting immediately thereafter the following definition:

“ “writing” includes painting, inscription, printing, lithography, typewriting, photography and other modes of representing or reproducing words or figures in visible form.”.

#### **Amendment of section 4**

**3. Section 4(1) of the principal Act is amended —**

- (a) by deleting paragraph (a) and substituting the following paragraph:

“(a) to establish, operate or conduct any totalisator, lottery, betting or gaming activity;”;

- (b) by deleting paragraph (c) and substituting the following paragraph:

“(c) to establish or operate any totalisator agency;”;

- (c) by deleting the word “and” at the end of paragraph (d); and

- (d) by deleting the full-stop at the end of paragraph (e) and substituting the word “; and”, and by inserting immediately thereafter the following paragraph:

“(f) to issue or approve and, from time to time, modify rules in relation to —

(i) the operation or conduct of any totalisator, lottery, betting or gaming activity established by the Board; or

(ii) the operation of any totalisator agency or any agent appointed by the Board.”.

#### **Amendment of section 5**

**4. Section 5(1) of the principal Act is amended —**

- (a) by deleting the word “and” at the end of paragraph (a); and

- (b) by deleting the full-stop at the end of paragraph (b) and substituting the word “; and”, and by inserting immediately thereafter the following paragraph:

“(c) to suspend or revoke any totalisator, lottery, betting

or gaming activity established by any totalisator agency or any agent appointed by the Board.”.

### **Repeal and re-enactment of section 7**

5. Section 7 of the principal Act is repealed and the following section substituted therefor:

#### **“Appointment of officers, etc.**

7.—(1) Subject to subsection (2), the Board may, from time to time, on such terms and conditions as it may determine —

(a) appoint and employ such officers, employees, consultants or agents; and

(b) appoint such totalisator agencies,

as may be necessary for the effective performance of its functions.

(2) The Board shall obtain the approval of the Minister for the appointment of —

(a) any agent to operate or conduct any totalisator, lottery, betting or gaming activity; or

(b) any totalisator agency.”.

### **Repeal of section 11**

6. Section 11 of the principal Act is repealed.

### **Amendment of section 12**

7. Section 12 of the principal Act is amended —

(a) by deleting the words “Except as may be provided under any approved scheme, it shall be the duty of the Board and a turf club operating a totalisator on behalf of the Board under an approved scheme” in subsection (1) and substituting the words “It shall be the duty of the Board and any totalisator agency operating a totalisator”; and

(b) by deleting the words “rules of racing applied by any approved scheme” in subsection (3) and substituting the words “rules issued, approved or modified under section 4(1)(f)”.

### **Amendment of section 13**