

Customs (Amendment) Bill

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Explanatory Statement

Expenditure of Public Money

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Read the first time on 28th May 1993.

An Act to amend the Customs Act (Chapter 70 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.—(1) This Act may be cited as the Customs (Amendment) Act 1993 and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by notification in the *Gazette*, appoint.

(2) The Minister may appoint different dates for the coming into operation of the different provisions of this Act.

Amendment of section 3

2. Section 3 of the Customs Act is amended —

(a) by deleting the definition of “alcohol” in subsection (1) and substituting the following definition:

“ “alcohol” means ethanol;”;

(b) by deleting the definition of “excise duty” in subsection (1) and substituting the following definition:

“ “excise duty” means duty on goods manufactured in or imported into Singapore;”;

(c) by inserting, immediately after the definition of “heavy oil or diesel oil” in subsection (1), the following definition:

“ “import duty” means duty on goods imported into Singapore;”;

(d) by deleting the definition of “intoxicating liquor” in subsection (1) and

substituting the following definition:

““intoxicating liquor” means —

- (a) a mixture of alcohol and some other substances containing more than 0.5 per cent alcohol by mass; or
 - (b) a mixture of alcohol and water containing more than 0.5 per cent alcohol by volume, which is fit, or intended, or can by any means be converted, for use as a beverage, but does not include toddy, bottled toddy or denatured spirit;”;
- (e) by deleting paragraphs (b), (c) and (d) of the definition of “officer of customs” in subsection (1) and substituting the following paragraphs:
 - “(b) any Deputy Director-General, Senior Director or Director of Customs and Excise appointed under section 4(1);
 - (c) any Senior Superintendent, Higher Superintendent or Superintendent of Customs and Excise appointed under section 4(4);
 - (d) any Chief Customs Officer, Senior Customs Officer, Higher Customs Officer or Customs Officer appointed under section 5; and”;
- (f) by inserting, immediately after the definition of “owner” in subsection (1), the following definitions:
 - ““per cent alcohol by mass” means the measure of alcoholic strength of a mixture of alcohol and some other substances shown by the ratio, expressed as a percentage, of the mass of alcohol present in the mixture to the total mass of the mixture;
 - “per cent alcohol by volume” means the measure of alcoholic strength of a mixture of alcohol and water shown by the ratio, expressed as a percentage, of the volume of alcohol present in the mixture at a temperature of 20°C to the total volume of the mixture;”;
- (g) by deleting paragraphs (b) and (c) of the definition of “senior officer of customs” in subsection (1) and substituting the following paragraphs:

- “(b) any Deputy Director-General, Senior Director or Director of Customs and Excise appointed under section 4(1);
 - (c) any Senior Superintendent, Higher Superintendent or Superintendent of Customs and Excise appointed under section 4(4);”;
- (h) by inserting, immediately before the words “Government warehouse,” in the third line of subsection (2), the words “free trade zone,”.

Amendment of section 4

3. Section 4 of the Customs Act is amended —

- (a) by deleting the words “a Deputy Director-General of Customs and Excise and such number of” in subsection (1) and substituting the words “such number of Deputy Directors-General,”;
- (b) by deleting the words “Deputy Director-General” in the first line of subsection (3) and substituting the words “Deputy Directors-General”;
- (c) by deleting the words “Superintendents and Assistant Superintendents” in subsection (4) and substituting the words “Higher Superintendents and Superintendents”; and
- (d) by deleting the words “Deputy Director-General” in the marginal note and substituting the words “Deputy Directors-General”.

Amendment of section 5

4. Section 5 of the Customs Act is amended by inserting, immediately after the words “Senior Customs Officers”, the words “, Higher Customs Officers”.

Amendment of section 10

5. Section 10 of the Customs Act is amended —

- (a) by inserting, immediately after the words “customs duties” in subsection (1), the words “including import and excise duties”; and
- (b) by inserting, immediately after the words “customs duty” in subsection (2), the words “including import or excise duty”.

Amendment of section 20

6. Section 20 of the Customs Act is amended by deleting “\$5” in the fourteenth line