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An Act to amend the Parks and Trees Act, 1975 (No. 14 of 1975).

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 Parks and Trees (Amendment) Act, 1982, and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by notification in the *Gazette*, appoint.

### **Amendment of section 7**

2. Section 7 of the Parks and Trees Act, 1975 (referred to in this Act as the principal Act) is amended by deleting subsection (2).

### **New sections 10A to 10D**

3. The principal Act is amended by inserting, immediately after section 10, the following sections: —

#### **“Power of Commissioner to take measures to remove trees and plants imminently dangerous to life or property**

**10A.**—(1) Where the Commissioner is satisfied that any tree or plant, whether growing or not, is imminently dangerous to life or property, the Commissioner may take such measures and do such work as may be necessary to remove the tree or plant.

(2) All costs and expenses incurred by the Commissioner under subsection (1) shall constitute a debt due from the occupier of the land to the Government and shall be recoverable as such.

(3) Where any land in respect of which measures have been taken or work has been done by the Commissioner under this section, section 8 or 10 has two or more occupiers, the occupiers shall be liable jointly for the whole costs and expenses incurred by the Commissioner; and such costs and expenses shall be apportioned in such manner as appears to the Commissioner to be reasonable.

#### **Parking of vehicles on side tables and turfed open spaces prohibited**

**10B.**—(1) No vehicle shall without reasonable excuse be parked on any —

- (a) side table; or
- (b) turfed open space,

maintained by the Commissioner.

(2) Where a vehicle is parked on any side table or any turfed open space in contravention of subsection (1), the driver of the vehicle shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding two thousand dollars.

(3) For the purpose of this section —

“park” means to bring a vehicle to a stationary position and to cause it to wait for any purpose other than that of immediately taking up or setting down persons, goods or luggage;

“side table” means any turfed area beside a public street.

### **Modes of serving notices under sections 7 and 10**

**10C.** A notice under section 7 or 10 may be addressed to the occupier without stating his name and may be served by —

- (a) delivering it personally to the occupier;
- (b) leaving it with an adult at his usual or last known place of abode or business;
- (c) sending it by registered post addressed to him at his usual or last known place of abode or business; or
- (d) affixing it conspicuously to some part of any premises comprised in, or to some object on, the land in respect of which the notice has been served.

### **Duty to give information**

**10D.—**(1) Where the driver of a vehicle is alleged or is suspected to have committed an offence under this Act or the rules made thereunder —

- (a) the owner of the vehicle shall furnish such information as may be required by the Commissioner or any officer authorised by the Commissioner to act in that behalf as to the identity and address of the person who was the driver of the vehicle at or about the time of the alleged offence, and as to the driving licence held by that person (if necessary) and if he fails to do so within seven days of the date on which the information was required from him; and
- (b) any other person who was or should have been in charge of the