

National Police Cadet Corps Bill

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An Act to provide for the raising and maintenance of a National Police Cadet Corps and for purposes connected therewith; and to repeal the Police Cadet Corps Act (Chapter 77 of the 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 National Police Cadet Corps Act, 1974 and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by notification in the *Gazette*, appoint.

Interpretation

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires —

“cadet” means a person enrolled in the Corps under section 7;

“Commandant” means the person for the time being appointed under section 6;

“Corps” means the National Police Cadet Corps established under this Act;

“Council” means the National Police Cadet Corps Council established under section 5;

“member” means an officer or a cadet appointed or enrolled in the Corps, as the case may be, and includes a person undergoing an officer cadet course;

“officer-in-charge” means an officer for the time being in charge of a unit of the Corps;

“officer” means a person appointed as such by the Minister under section 8;

“permanent resident” means a person who is not subject to any restriction as to his period of residence imposed under the provisions of any written law relating to immigration for the time being in force in Singapore;

“Police Force” means the Singapore Police Force established under the Police Force Act (Cap. 78);

“school” has the same meaning as in the Education Act (Cap. 175).

Raising and maintenance of the National Police Cadet Corps

3. There shall be raised and maintained in the manner hereinafter provided a Corps to be known as the National Police Cadet Corps.

Organisation

4.—(1) The Corps shall consist of such headquarters, units, training institutions, services, departments or other like bodies as the Minister may from time to time establish.

(2) The Corps shall consist of such numbers of officers and cadets as the Minister may from time to time determine.

(3) The Corps shall be affiliated to the Police Force for the purposes of training but members of the Corps shall not be police officers for the purposes of the Police Force Act.

(4) The Minister may disband any unit, training institution, service, department or other body established under subsection (1) in whole or in part or amalgamate any such unit, training institution, service, department or other body or alter their name or title

thereof.

National Police Cadet Corps Council

5.—(1) For the purpose of the administration of matters relating to the Corps, there shall be established the National Police Cadet Corps Council consisting of the following members who shall be appointed by the Minister: —

- (a) a Chairman;
- (b) a Deputy Chairman and two other members from among persons nominated by the Commissioner of Police; and
- (c) such other number of members as the Minister may see fit to appoint.

(2) The Council may delegate any of its functions and powers to any officers of the Police Force or to any officer appointed under this Act.

(3) The Council may meet at such intervals as it thinks fit and may regulate its own procedure.

Appointment of Commandant

6.—(1) The Minister may, on the recommendation of the Commissioner of Police, appoint a Commandant who shall exercise executive command of the Corps and who shall be responsible to the Council in matters of administration affecting the recruitment, promotion, training, conditions of service, finance and discipline of the Corps.

(2) The Commandant shall hold office for a specified period which shall not exceed three years and shall be eligible for re-appointment on completion of that period.

(3) The Commandant may, from time to time, make such general or routine orders, not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act or any regulations made thereunder, for the control, direction and information of the Corps as he thinks fit and it shall not be necessary to publish such general or routine orders in the *Gazette*.

(4) The Council may appoint a Deputy Commandant and so many other Assistant Commandants as it may think necessary to assist the Commandant in the general administration of matters relating to the Corps.

Eligibility

7.—(1) Subject to the provisions of this Act and the regulations made thereunder, any person who is a citizen of Singapore or a permanent resident thereof shall be eligible to be enrolled as a cadet in the Corps.

(2) The Minister may in special cases approve the enrolment of persons who are

neither citizens of Singapore nor permanent residents thereof in the Corps.

Appointment of officers, honorary officers and honorary instructors

8.—(1) The Minister may appoint officers of the Corps from among the teaching staff of any school or from among members of the Corps.

(2) The Minister may appoint honorary officers to the Corps from among such persons as he thinks fit.

(3) The Minister may appoint persons who are not members of the Corps and who wish to volunteer their services to the Corps as honorary instructors.

(4) An officer, honorary officer or honorary instructor of the Corps may, with the approval of the Minister, at any time resign his appointment.

(5) The Minister may, with or without assigning any reason therefor, revoke the appointment of any officer, honorary officer or honorary instructor of the Corps.

Secondment of Police Force personnel

9. The Commissioner of Police may second any member of the Police Force to serve in the Corps on a full-time or part-time basis.

Discharge and dismissal

10.—(1) Subject to the regulations made under this Act, every cadet may be discharged from the Corps on the expiration of the period for which he was enrolled.

(2) The Commandant may, on the recommendation of the officer-in-charge of a unit, dismiss any cadet of that unit.

(3) In the case of a cadet who is a student of a school, the concurrence of the principal of the school to which the cadet belongs shall be obtained by the Commandant before he dismisses the cadet.

Disobedience of regulations, standing orders, etc.

11. Any cadet who —

- (a) in such manner as to show wilful defiance of authority, disobeys any lawful command given to him or conveyed to him personally; or
- (b) contravenes or fails to comply with any order or regulation made under this Act, being an order or regulation known to him or which he might reasonably be expected to know,

shall be dealt with summarily by the officer-in-charge of the unit in the manner