

**Tourist Promotion Board Act
(CHAPTER 328)**

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TOURIST PROMOTION BOARD ACT

(CHAPTER 328)

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An Act for the establishment of the Singapore Tourist Promotion Board and of the Tourist Promotion Fund and for matters connected therewith.

[1st January 1964]

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the Tourist Promotion Board Act.

Interpretation

2. In this Act —

“associate member” means an associate member of the Board appointed under section 6;

“Board” means the Singapore Tourist Promotion Board established under section 3;

“financial year” means a period of 12 months beginning on 1st April;

“member” means a member of the Board appointed under section 5;

“tourist enterprise” means —

- (a) any business which provides national or international carriage for passengers;
- (b) any business which, either wholly or in part, provides or arranges services for visitors to Singapore or other places outside Singapore, by way of transport, accommodation, tours or guides, whether or not such services are provided within or outside Singapore;
- (c) any business which, either wholly or in part, retails goods for sale to visitors to Singapore; or
- (d) any association of such businesses,

and includes any exhibition, show, fair, publicity campaign or other undertaking intended wholly or in part for the benefit of, or for the purpose of attracting, visitors to Singapore.

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Establishment of Tourist Promotion Board

- 3.—(1) There shall be established in accordance with the provisions of this Act a body to be called the Singapore Tourist Promotion Board.

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(2) The Board shall be a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal with power, subject to the provisions of this Act, to acquire and dispose of property, both movable and immovable, and may sue and be sued in its corporate name and perform such other acts as bodies corporate may by law perform.

Chairman of Board

4. The Minister shall appoint a Chairman of the Board (referred to in this Act as the Chairman) who shall, subject to the provisions of this Act, hold office for such period and on such terms as the Minister may determine.

Constitution of Board

5.—(1) The Board shall consist of —

- (a) the Chairman;
- (b) the Director of the Board appointed under section 8;
- (c) two members to be appointed by the Minister from amongst the associate members; and
- (d) 8 other members to be appointed by the Minister.

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(2) The members of the Board appointed by the Minister under subsection (1)(d) shall, unless their appointment is revoked by the Minister under subsection (6), or unless they resign during their period of office, hold office for a term of 3 years or for such shorter period as the Minister may in any case determine.

(3) The Minister may appoint a member of the Board to be Deputy Chairman of the Board. The Deputy Chairman may preside at meetings of the Board in the absence of the Chairman.

(4) A member of the Board shall not, in any meeting of the Board, participate in any discussion relating to, and shall not vote in respect of, any contract, business or other matter in which he is interested, and if he does so his vote shall not be counted.

(5) The members of the Board shall be paid out of the funds of the Board such salaries, fees or allowances as the Minister may determine.

(6) The Minister may at any time revoke the appointment of the Chairman or of any other member of the Board.

Associate members

6.—(1) The Board may appoint a person carrying on any business in Singapore to be an associate member of the Board.

(2) An associate member shall —

- (a) be granted an emblem and a certificate to be prescribed by the Board in recognition of his associate membership;
- (b) maintain high standards at all times in the conduct of his business for the promotion of the tourist trade in Singapore;
- (c) comply with all regulations made by the Board; and
- (d) pay such fee to the Board as may be prescribed by the Board.

(3) The Board may at any time revoke the appointment of a person as an associate member.

(4) No person other than an associate member shall use the emblem and certificate referred to in subsection (2)(a).

(5) No person shall use any emblem, title or description reasonably calculated to suggest that he is an associate member unless he is in fact an associate member.

(6) Any person who contravenes subsection (4) or (5) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$5,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 2 years or to both.

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Directions by Minister

7.—(1) The Minister may, after consultation with the Board or otherwise, give to the Board such directions, not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, as he may think fit, as to the exercise and performance by the Board of its powers, duties and functions under this Act, and the Board shall give effect to all such directions.

(2) The Board shall furnish the Minister with such information with respect to its property and activities as he may from time to time require.

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Director of Board

8.—(1) The Board shall, with the approval of the Minister, appoint a Director of the Board who shall perform such duties as the Board may entrust or delegate to him:

Provided that the first Director of the Board shall be appointed by the Minister.

(2) If the Director of the Board is temporarily absent from Singapore or temporarily incapacitated through illness or for any other sufficient reason from the performance of his duties, another person may be appointed in the manner provided by subsection (1) to