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The following Act was passed by Parliament on 4 February 2020 and assented to by the President on 20 February 2020:—

## **REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE**

#### No. 9 of 2020.

I assent.

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HALIMAH YACOB, President. 20 February 2020.

An Act to amend the Active Mobility Act 2017 (Act 3 of 2017) to deal with personal mobility devices and other vehicles in relation to public paths and to make related amendments to the Road Traffic Act (Chapter 276 of the 2004 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 is the Active Mobility (Amendment) Act 2020 and comes into operation on a date that the Minister appoints by notification in the *Gazette*.

## Amendment of section 2

**2.** Section 2 of the Active Mobility Act 2017 (called in this Act the principal Act) is amended —

(a) by inserting, immediately after the definition of "accessories" in subsection (1), the following definition:

""appropriate supervisor" has the meaning given by section 23A(4);";

- (b) by inserting, immediately after the definition of "code of conduct" in subsection (1), the following definition:
  - ""competency test certificate", for a class or description of test-needed-to-drive vehicle, means a certificate granted under section 23F certifying that an individual has passed the prescribed test of competence for that class or description of test-needed-to-drive vehicle;";
- (c) by inserting, immediately after the words "bicycle or" in the definition of "footpath" in subsection (1), the word "non-motorised";
- (d) by inserting, immediately after the definition of "identification card" in subsection (1), the following definition:

""install", in relation to any wayfinding signage, includes paint or mark on a surface in an indelible way;";

(e) by inserting, immediately after the words "of its construction" in paragraph (b) of the definition of "mechanised sweeper" in subsection (1), the words "of driving itself and";

(f) by inserting, immediately after the definition of "mechanised sweeper" in subsection (1), the following definition:

""mobile communication device" has the meaning given by section 22A(4);";

(g) by inserting, immediately after the definition of "mobility scooter" in subsection (1), the following definitions:

- (*a*) an automatic detection device that has wheels, a motor and is constructed to drive itself;
- (b) a robotic machine designed to move and operate independently of human control when the computer that controls it is programmed; or
- (c) a motor vehicle that is constructed to drive itself,

but excludes a wheeled toy or model car that can be remotely operated;

- "motorised personal mobility device" or "motorised PMD" means a personal mobility device other than a non-motorised personal mobility device;";
- (h) by inserting, immediately after the definition of "non-compliant power-assisted bicycle" in subsection (1), the following definition:

""non-motorised personal mobility device" means a personal mobility device that is designed to be propelled by human power only;";

(*i*) by inserting, immediately after the definition of "premises" in subsection (1), the following definitions:

""prescribed minimum riding age" has the meaning given in section 23A(1);

- "prescribed test of competence", in relation to driving or riding a vehicle on a public path, means a test of subject matter prescribed by regulations to test an individual's knowledge of safe driving or riding practices and law on public paths;";
- (*j*) by deleting the words "an individual" in the definition of "repeat offender" in subsection (1) and substituting the words "a person";
- (k) by deleting the words "he or she" in paragraph (b) of the definition of "repeat offender" in subsection (1) and substituting the words "the person";
- (*l*) by inserting, immediately after the definition of "ride" in subsection (1), the following definition:
  - ""ride" or "riding", only in relation to a motor vehicle that drives itself, means —
    - (*a*) cause or causing the vehicle to operate and move; or
    - (b) initiate or initiating the operation and movement of the vehicle without the need for anyone to operate or permit the operation of systems that cause the vehicle to move;";
- (*m*) by inserting, immediately after the definition of "sidewalk" in subsection (1), the following definitions:
  - ""test authority", for a class or description of test-needed-to-drive vehicle, means an individual designated by the Minister to be a test authority for that class or description of test-needed-to-drive vehicle;
    - "test-needed-to-drive vehicle" means a class or description of bicycle, personal mobility device, PAB, motorised wheelchair, mobility scooter or mechanised sweeper that is

prescribed in regulations for the purposes of Division 2A of Part 3;";

- (*n*) by inserting, immediately after the definition of "Town Council" in subsection (1), the following definitions:
  - ""uncertified vehicle" means a bicycle, personal mobility device, motorised wheelchair or mobility scooter which does not have in force a certificate issued under section 35C where an inspection or periodic inspections of the vehicle is required under section 35A;
    - "uncertified vehicle advertisement" means an advertisement that gives publicity to, or promotes or intended otherwise is to the purchase of. promote or use an uncertified vehicle or a range of uncertified vehicles;
    - "under-aged rider", in relation to a motorised PMD, means an individual riding the PMD who is below the prescribed minimum riding age for riding the motorised PMD on a shared path;"; and
- (*o*) by inserting, immediately after subsection (4), the following subsections:

"(5) For the purposes of this Act, a motor vehicle is constructed to drive itself if its construction enables it to operate in a mode in which it is not being controlled and does not need to be monitored by an individual in or on the vehicle.

(6) To avoid doubt, a reference in this Act to an offence under or a contravention of any Part includes a reference to an offence under or a contravention of any regulations made for the purposes of that Part.".