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The following Act was passed by Parliament on 17th August 2015 and assented to by the President on 21st August 2015:—

SILVER SUPPORT SCHEME ACT 2015

(No. 28 of 2015)

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No. 28 of 2015.

I assent.



TONY TAN KENG YAM,
President.
21st August 2015.

An Act to provide for a social security scheme called the Silver Support Scheme and for related matters.

Be it enacted by the President with the advice and consent of the Parliament of Singapore, as follows:

PART 1
PRELIMINARY

Short title and commencement

1. This Act may be cited as the Silver Support Scheme Act 2015 and comes 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 —

“administrator” means the Board, or any public officer or public authority appointed under section 5(4) to assist the Board in administering the Scheme;

“Board” means the Central Provident Fund Board constituted under section 3 of the Central Provident Fund Act (Cap. 36);

“cash grant” means any cash grant made by the Government under the Scheme;

“Commissioner” means the Commissioner for Silver Support appointed under section 4(1), and includes any Deputy Commissioner for Silver Support or Assistant Commissioner for Silver Support appointed under section 4(2);

“eligible individual” means an individual who is eligible to receive any benefit under the Scheme;

“investigator” means an officer or employee of the Board who is authorised under section 5(7) to conduct any investigation under this Act, and includes any person appointed under section 5(8) to assist the Board in conducting any investigation under this Act;

“means information” means any information relating to the income or assets of any individual, or of a group of individuals who comprise a household, in the possession of any Government department or public authority;

“public authority” means a body established or constituted by or under a public Act to perform or discharge a public function;

“public scheme” means any scheme that —

- (a) is or will be established by or under any written law and administered by a public authority, or by the Government in any other manner; and
- (b) is to provide financial relief, assistance or support to citizens or permanent residents of Singapore, or any part of them;

“Scheme” means the Silver Support Scheme established under section 5(1).

Purpose of Act

3. The purpose of this Act is to ensure that citizens of Singapore who are elderly, and who satisfy certain eligibility criteria, will receive financial support through a social security scheme.

Administration of Act

4.—(1) The Minister may in writing appoint a public officer to be the Commissioner for Silver Support.

(2) The Minister may in writing —

- (a) appoint any public officer, or any employee of a public authority, to be a Deputy Commissioner for Silver Support; and
- (b) appoint any public officer, or any employee of a public authority, to be an Assistant Commissioner for Silver Support.

(3) The Commissioner for Silver Support is responsible for the administration of this Act.

(4) Subject to the directions of the Commissioner for Silver Support, every Deputy Commissioner for Silver Support and every Assistant Commissioner for Silver Support may perform the functions and exercise the powers of the Commissioner for Silver Support.