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The following Act was passed by Parliament on 8th April 2013 and assented to by the President on 15th May 2013:—

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No. 14 of 2013.

I assent.

TONY TAN KENG YAM,
President.
15th May 2013.



An Act to amend the Fire Safety Act (Chapter 109A of the 2000 Revised Edition) and to make a related amendment to the Civil Defence Act (Chapter 42 of the 2001 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 Fire Safety (Amendment) Act 2013 and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by notification in the *Gazette*, appoint.

Amendment of section 2

2. Section 2 of the Fire Safety Act (referred to in this Act as the principal Act) is amended —

(a) by inserting, immediately after the definition of “alternative solution” in subsection (1), the following definition:

““authorised officer”, in relation to any power conferred or duties imposed on the Commissioner by or under this Act, means a person authorised under section 3 to exercise that power or to carry out that duty;”;

(b) by inserting, immediately after the definition of “building works” in subsection (1), the following definition:

““class of petroleum” means any petroleum prescribed to be a class of petroleum for the purposes of this Act;”;

(c) by deleting the words “by the Commissioner under section 55 in lieu of the Fire Code” in the definition of “Fire Code” in subsection (1) and substituting the words “under section 55”;

(d) by deleting the word “or” at the end of paragraph (c) of the definition of “fire safety measures” in subsection (1);

(e) by inserting, at the end of paragraph (d) of the definition of “fire safety measures” in subsection (1), the word “or”, and by inserting immediately thereafter the following paragraph:

“(e) providing a means of communication to facilitate fire-fighting operations or the evacuation of persons in the event of fire;”;

(f) by inserting, immediately after the word “measures” in the definition of “fire safety works” in subsection (1), the words “, relevant pipeline works”;

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- (g) by inserting, immediately after the definition of “fire safety works” in subsection (1), the following definition:

““flammable material” means any substance prescribed to be a flammable material for the purposes of this Act;”;

- (h) by deleting the word “service,” in paragraph (b) of the definition of “minor works” in subsection (1) and substituting the words “service or”;
- (i) by deleting the word “any” where it appears the second time in the definition of “occupier” in subsection (1) and substituting the word “the”;
- (j) by deleting the words “authenticated under section 15” in paragraph (a) of the definition of “owner” in subsection (1) and substituting the words “prepared under section 10”;
- (k) by deleting the word “and” at the end of paragraph (ba) of the definition of “owner” in subsection (1);
- (l) by inserting, immediately after paragraph (c) of the definition of “owner” in subsection (1), the following paragraphs:

“(d) in relation to an aircraft or a vessel, includes the charterer of the aircraft or vessel, as the case may be; and

(e) in relation to a vehicle, means the registered owner of the vehicle;”;

- (m) by inserting, immediately after the definition of “peer reviewer” in subsection (1), the following definition:

““petroleum” includes crude petroleum, liquefied petroleum gas and other naturally occurring hydrocarbon liquid derived from crude petroleum, coal, shale, peat or other bituminous substances;”;

- (n) by inserting, immediately before the definition of “premises”, the following definitions:

““pipeline” includes any section of a pipeline;

“pipeline owner”, in relation to any section of a relevant pipeline, means —

- (a) a person who owns or leases the piperack or pipetrack and manages that section of the relevant pipeline; or
- (b) if paragraph (a) does not apply, a person who owns or leases that section of the relevant pipeline and uses that section of the relevant pipeline for the conveyance of any class of petroleum or any flammable material;

“piperack” means a multi-tiered rack supporting one or more pipelines above the ground;

“pipetrack” means an area where one or more pipelines are supported on sleepers on the ground;”;

- (o) by inserting, immediately after the definition of “registered inspector” in subsection (1), the following definitions:

““relevant pipeline” means a pipeline used, or to be used, for the conveyance of any class of petroleum or any flammable material, and includes the piperack or pipetrack for the management of the pipeline but does not include such a pipeline located in licensed premises;

“relevant pipeline works” means the construction, alteration or repair of a relevant pipeline commenced or carried out on or after the date of commencement of section 2(o) of the Fire Safety (Amendment) Act 2013;”;

- (p) by deleting the full-stop at the end of the definition of “street” in subsection (1) and substituting a semi-colon, and by inserting immediately thereafter the following definition:

““vessel” includes —

- (a) any ship or boat or air-cushioned vehicle;
and
- (b) any rig or platform, whether floating at sea or fixed to the sea bed, used in any form of operations at sea.”;
- (q) by deleting the words “a building includes a reference to a part of a building” in subsection (2) and substituting the words “premises or building includes a reference to a part of such premises or building, as the case may be”; and
- (r) by inserting, immediately after subsection (2), the following subsection:

“(3) For the purposes of the definition of “pipeline owner” in subsection (1), the owner of the land on which any piperack, pipetrack or pipeline is located shall not be regarded as the person who owns or leases the piperack, pipetrack or pipeline (as the case may be) by reason only that the piperack, pipetrack or pipeline is a fixture annexed to that land.”.

Amendment of section 3

3. Section 3(1) of the principal Act is amended by deleting the words “and any regulations made thereunder” and substituting the words “, except sections 7, 8, 8A, 8B, 8C and 46,”.

Amendment of section 5A

4. Section 5A(12) of the principal Act is amended by deleting the word “forthwith” and substituting the words “as soon as may be practicable”.

Amendment of section 6

5. Section 6 of the principal Act is amended —

- (a) by deleting the words “any part thereof or in the building” wherever they appear in subsections (1), (2) and (3) and