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The following Act was passed by Parliament on 15th September 2010 and assented to by the President on 1st October 2010:—

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**No. 24 of 2010.**

I assent.

(LS)

S R NATHAN,  
*President.*  
*1st October 2010.*

An Act to amend the Road Traffic Act (Chapter 276 of the 2004 Revised Edition) and to make related and consequential amendments to the Land Transport Authority of Singapore Act (Chapter 158A of the 1996 Revised Edition) and the Private Security Industry Act (Chapter 250A of the 2008 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 Road Traffic (Amendment) Act 2010 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 Road Traffic Act (referred to in this Act as the principal Act) is amended —

(a) by deleting the definition of “company” in subsection (1) and substituting the following definition:

“ “company” means any company as defined in the Companies Act (Cap. 50) and includes any company to which Division 2 of Part XI of that Act applies, any company formed in pursuance of any other Act or by royal charter or letters patent, a limited liability partnership and any other body corporate formed or incorporated by or under any written law;”;

(b) by deleting the definition of “Minister” in subsection (1) and substituting the following definition:

“ “Minister” means —

(a) except as provided in paragraphs (b) and (c), the Minister charged with the responsibility for transport;

(b) for the purposes of the whole of Parts II and III and sections 74(1) and (2), 75(1), 76(1), 112(1), (3) and (4), 113(1) and (2), 114(1), 116(2), 121(2) and 143(3) and (11), the Minister charged with the responsibility for home affairs; and

(c) for the purposes of sections 131B(7), 132(7), 133(7), 134, 135(2), 140(1) and (2), 142 and 142A(1), the Minister charged with the

responsibility for transport or the Minister charged with the responsibility for home affairs, as appropriate;”;

(c) by inserting, immediately after the definition of “rules” in subsection (1), the following definition:

““security officer” means a licensed security officer within the meaning of the Private Security Industry Act (Cap. 250A) who is authorised by the Deputy Commissioner of Police or the Authority (as appropriate) under section 142B to regulate traffic under any provision of this Act;” and

(d) by deleting the words “sections 38(1) and 47F(4)” in subsection (2) and substituting the words “section 38”.

### **Amendment of section 35A**

3. Section 35A of the principal Act is amended by deleting subsection (1) and substituting the following subsection:

“(1) The Deputy Commissioner of Police may revoke a driving licence if —

(a) within a period of 12 months from the date of the grant of the licence, the record of the holder of the licence (as kept by the Deputy Commissioner of Police for the purposes of this section) as a driver of motor vehicles establishes that it would not be in the interests of public safety for him to continue to hold the licence, or that he is not competent to drive a motor vehicle;

(b) the holder of the licence —

(i) had, at any time before being granted that licence, committed an offence while driving a motor vehicle of a class or description which he was authorised to drive by virtue of another driving licence held by him at the time; and

- (ii) after being granted the first-mentioned licence, is dealt with by the court or the Deputy Commissioner of Police for the offence referred to in sub-paragraph (i) in such manner as would, by virtue of any rules relating to the prescribed test of competence leading to the grant of the first-mentioned licence, have caused him to be disallowed from taking such test had he been so dealt with for that offence before he took that test; or
- (c) the Deputy Commissioner of Police becomes aware of a circumstance that would have required or permitted him to refuse to grant a driving licence to any person, had the Deputy Commissioner of Police been aware of the circumstance immediately before granting the driving licence.”.

#### **Amendment of section 38**

#### **4. Section 38 of the principal Act is amended —**

- (a) by deleting subsection (1) and substituting the following subsection:

“(1) Subject to the provisions of this Act, it shall be lawful for any of the following persons who holds a valid foreign driving licence to drive in Singapore, during the period specified in paragraph (a) or (b) (as the case may be), a motor vehicle of the class or description which the foreign driving licence authorises him to drive, notwithstanding that he does not hold a driving licence granted under this Part:

- (a) in the case of a person who, on or after the date of commencement of section 4 of the Road Traffic (Amendment) Act 2010, becomes a citizen or permanent resident of Singapore, a period of 3 months commencing from the date on which he is issued with a certificate of citizenship

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pursuant to the Constitution of the Republic of Singapore or an entry permit pursuant to the Immigration Act (Cap. 133) (as the case may be);

(b) in the case of a person who —

(i) is neither a citizen nor permanent resident of Singapore; and

(ii) is resident outside Singapore but is temporarily in Singapore,

a period of 12 months commencing from the date of his last entry into Singapore.”;

(b) by deleting subsection (3) and substituting the following subsection:

“(3) In this section —

“permanent resident” means a person who is not subject to any restriction as to his period of residence in Singapore imposed under the Immigration Act (Cap. 133);

“visiting force” and “civilian component” shall have the same meanings as in the Visiting Forces Act (Cap. 344).”; and

(c) by deleting the words “held by members of visiting forces” in the section heading.

### **Amendment of section 47C**

5. Section 47C of the principal Act is amended —

(a) by deleting subsections (1) to (4) and substituting the following subsections:

“(1) Where any police investigation into the possible commission of any offence referred to in subsection (2) is commenced against any person who, while driving a motor vehicle on a road or in any