Public Transport Council (Amendment) Act 2008 (No. 17 of 2008)

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The following Act was passed by Parliament on 25th August 2008 and assented to by the President on 5th September 2008:—

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(No. 17 of 2008)

I assent.

S R NATHAN

President
5th September 2008.

Date of Commencement: 11th September 2008

An Act to amend the Public Transport Council Act (Chapter 259B of the 2000 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 Public Transport Council (Amendment) Act 2008 and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by notification in the *Gazette*, appoint.

Amendment of section 4

- 2. Section 4 of the Public Transport Council Act (referred to in this Act as the principal Act) is amended by deleting the word "and" at the end of paragraph (c), and by inserting immediately thereafter the following paragraph:
 - "(ca) to promote and facilitate the integration of bus and rapid transit system fares to ensure the provision of efficient public passenger transport services and facilities; and".

Amendment of section 23

- **3.** Section 23 of the principal Act is amended
 - (a) by deleting subsection (1) and substituting the following subsection:
 - "(1) Subject to subsection (2), no person shall be entitled to demand and take any bus, taxi or rapid transit system fare that is not approved by the Council under section 24(3) or 24AA(2)(*a*).";
 - (b) by inserting, immediately after the words "the Council" in subsection (2),

- the words "in circumstances not proscribed by the Council";
- (c) by deleting the words "in excess of such approved fare" in subsection (4) and substituting the words "in contravention of subsection (1)"; and
- (d) by inserting, immediately after subsection (4), the following subsection:
 - "(5) Where the Council has suspended any approval for any bus fare, taxi fare or rapid transit system fare under section 24(5), the bus fare, taxi fare or rapid transit system fare shall, for the duration of the suspension, be deemed not to be an approved fare for the purposes of this section."

Amendment of section 24

- **4.** Section 24 of the principal Act is amended
 - (a) by deleting the word "and" at the end of paragraph (a) of subsection (2), and by inserting immediately thereafter the following paragraph:
 - "(aa) the need to promote or facilitate the integration of bus and rapid transit system fares or services for the through carriage of passengers provided by licensed bus service operators and licensed rapid transit system operators and other measures designed to facilitate the making by passengers of any journey which involves the use of
 - (i) the services of more than one such operator;
 - (ii) more than one bus service or train service (whether or not operated by the same person); or
 - (iii) both bus and train services (whether or not operated by the same person); and";

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- (b) by inserting, immediately after the words "as the Council thinks fit" in subsection (3)(b), the words ", including but not limited to any condition described in section 24AA(2)(b)"; and
- (c) by deleting subsection (4) and substituting the following subsections:
 - "(4) Subject to subsection (6), the Council may, by order and without compensation, revoke any approval granted under