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Read the first time on 15th September 2008.

An Act to amend certain statutes of the Republic of Singapore.

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 Statutes (Miscellaneous Amendments) (No. 2) Act 2008 and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by notification in the *Gazette*, appoint.

Amendment of Agency for Science, Technology and Research (Amendment) Act 2007

2. Section 6(1) of the Agency for Science, Technology and Research (Amendment) Act 2007 (Act 54 of 2007) is amended by deleting paragraph (b).

Amendment of Boundaries and Survey Maps Act

3. Section 2(1) of the Boundaries and Survey Maps Act (Cap. 25, 2006 Ed.) is amended by inserting, immediately after the words “subterranean space” in paragraph (d) of the definition of “land”, the words “whether or not”.

Amendment of Building Control Act

4. The Building Control Act (Cap. 29, 1999 Ed.) is amended —

- (a) by deleting the comma at the end of paragraph (d) of the definition of “minor specialist building works” in section 29A(1) and substituting a semi-colon;
- (b) by deleting the words “but does not include any specialist building works

associated with major building works;” in the penultimate and last lines of the definition of “minor specialist building works” in section 29A(1);

- (c) by inserting, immediately after the words “\$3 million,” in section 29C(1)(b), the words “or such other amount as the Minister may by order in the *Gazette* specify in lieu thereof;”;
- (d) by deleting the words “meets the requirements of paragraph (c)(i)” in section 29F(1)(d)(ii) and substituting the words “has the prescribed qualifications and prescribed practical experience”;
- (e) by deleting the words “meets the requirements of subsection (1)(c)(i)” in the penultimate and last lines of sections 29F(2)(c) and (3)(f) and 29G(2)(c) and (3)(f) and substituting in each case the words “has the prescribed qualifications and prescribed practical experience”;
- (f) by deleting the words “meets the requirements of paragraph (c)(i)” in section 29G(1)(d)(ii) and substituting the words “has the prescribed qualifications and prescribed practical experience”; and
- (g) by inserting, immediately after the words “\$10 million” in the definition of “significant general building work project” in section 29H(5), the words “or such other amount as the Minister may, by order in the *Gazette*, specify in lieu thereof;”.

Amendment of Casino Control Act

5. The Casino Control Act (Cap. 33A, 2007 Ed.) is amended —

- (a) by inserting, immediately after subsection (8) of section 63, the following subsection:

“(8A) The Commissioner of Police or any police officer authorised by the Commissioner shall inquire into and report to the Authority on such matters concerning the associate or person likely to become an associate as the Authority requests.”;
- (b) by inserting, immediately after subsection (2) of section 81, the following subsection:

“(2A) The Commissioner of Police or any police officer authorised by the Commissioner shall inquire into and report to the Authority on such matters concerning the application for a special employee licence as the Authority requests.”;
- (c) by deleting the words “any of the following” in the definition of “disciplinary action” in section 93(1) and substituting the words “one or

more of the following”;

- (d) by deleting the words “requesting a hearing” in section 112(1);
- (e) by deleting the words “convene a committee comprising such persons as the Authority may appoint” in section 112(4) and substituting the words “appoint a committee”;
- (f) by deleting the words “the hearing” in section 112(7) and substituting the words “considering the matter before it”; and
- (g) by deleting the words “7 years” in section 143(1)(b) and substituting the words “5 years”.

Amendment of Copyright Act

6. The Copyright Act (Cap. 63, 2006 Ed.) is amended —

- (a) by repealing section 107B and substituting the following section:

“Non-subscription digital audio transmissions

107B. Without prejudice to the generality of section 82(3), it is not an infringement of a copyright in a sound recording to make available to the public the sound recording by means of or as part of a digital audio transmission where the transmission —

- (a) is a sound broadcast;
- (b) is not part of an interactive service; and
- (c) is not a subscription transmission.”;

- (b) by deleting paragraph (c) of section 261D(1) and substituting the following paragraph:

“(c) the act is done in relation to a work or other subject-matter or performance that is prescribed by the Minister under subsection (2) —

- (i) by a person prescribed under subsection (2A) or (if none is prescribed) by any person; and
- (ii) for a purpose prescribed under subsection (2A) or (if none is prescribed) for any purpose;”;

- (c) by inserting, immediately before the words “adversely impaired” in

section 261D(2), the words “or is likely to be”; and

- (d) by inserting, immediately after subsection (2) of section 261D, the following subsection:

“(2A) The order referred to in subsection (2) may specify —

- (a) the person or class of persons who may carry out the act of circumvention of a technological measure in relation to the work, subject-matter or performance or the class of works, subject-matters or performances; and
- (b) the purpose of carrying out the act.”.

Amendment of Health Sciences Authority Act

7. Section 11(5) of the Health Sciences Authority Act (Cap. 122C, 2002 Ed.) is amended by inserting, immediately before the definition of “health product”, the following definition:

““chemical metrology” means the science of achieving traceable analytical data in chemistry;”.

Amendment of Land Surveyors Act

8. Section 25(2) of the Land Surveyors Act (Cap. 156, 2006 Ed.) is amended —

- (a) by deleting the word “exists —” and substituting the words “exists, exercise one or more of the following powers:”; and
- (b) by deleting the word “or” at the end of paragraph (b).

Amendment of Land Titles (Strata) Act

9. The Land Titles (Strata) Act (Cap. 158, 1999 Ed.) is amended —

- (a) by deleting the words “approved company auditor” in section 83 and substituting the words “approved liquidator”;
- (b) by deleting “84FA(1)” in section 84A(7C) and substituting “84FA(2)”;
- (c) by deleting “(14),” in section 84F(7);
- (d) by deleting the words “84FA(12) to” in section 84FB(7) and substituting “84FA(12), (13),”;
- (e) by deleting the words “this Act” wherever they appear in section 126B(1)(c), (e), (f) and (g) and substituting in each case the words “the Building Maintenance and Strata Management Act (Cap. 30C)”; and