

Copyright (Amendment) Bill

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Read the first time on 19th October 2004.

An Act to amend the Copyright Act (Chapter 63 of the 1999 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 Copyright (Amendment) Act 2004 and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by notification in the *Gazette*, appoint.

Amendment of section 7

2. Section 7 of the Copyright Act is amended —

- (a) by inserting, immediately after the definition of “citizen of Singapore” in subsection (1), the following definition:

“ “communicate” means to transmit by electronic means (whether over a path, or a combination of paths, provided by a material substance or by wireless means or otherwise) a work or other subject-matter, whether or not it is sent in response to a request, and includes —

- (a) the broadcasting of a work or other subject-matter;
- (b) the inclusion of a work or other subject-matter in a cable programme; and
- (c) the making available of a work or other subject-matter (on a network or otherwise) in such a way that the work or subject-matter may be accessed by any person from a place and at a time chosen by him,

and “communication” shall have a corresponding meaning;”;

- (b) by inserting, immediately after the definition of “Copyright Tribunal” or “Tribunal” in subsection (1), the following definition:

“ “digital audio transmission” means a transmission of a sound recording, in whole or in part, in a digital or other non-analogue form;”;

- (c) by deleting the definition of “educational institution” in subsection (1) and substituting the following definitions:

“ “educational institution” means —

- (a) a school or similar institution at which one or more of the following is provided:
 - (i) full-time primary education;
 - (ii) full-time secondary education;
 - (iii) full-time pre-university education;