

Telecommunication Authority of Singapore (Amendment) Bill

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Read the first time on 14th January 1998.

An Act to amend the Telecommunication Authority of Singapore Act (Chapter 323 of the 1993 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 Telecommunication Authority of Singapore (Amendment) Act 1998 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(1) of the Telecommunication Authority of Singapore Act (referred to in this Act as the principal Act) is amended —

(a) by inserting, immediately after the definition of “Chief Executive”, the following definition:

“ “code of practice” means a code of practice issued or approved under section 115;”;

(b) by inserting, immediately after the definition of “postal article”, the following definition:

“ “postal licensee” means a person to whom a licence has been granted under section 42;”;

- (c) by inserting, immediately after the definition of “subsidiary”, the following definition:

“ “telecommunication licensee” means a person to whom a licence has been granted under section 26;” and

- (d) by inserting, immediately after the definition of “telecommunication system”, the following definition:

“ “telecommunication system licensee” means a person licensed under section 26 to operate a telecommunication system;”.

Amendment of section 6

3. Section 6(1) of the principal Act is amended —

- (a) by inserting, immediately after paragraph (c), the following paragraph:

“(ca) to create an economic regulatory framework for the operation and provision of telecommunication and postal systems and services which promotes and safeguards competition and fair and efficient market conduct or, in the absence of a competitive market, which prevents the misuse of monopoly or market power;”;

- (b) by deleting the words “81 to 88” in the third line of subsection (6) and substituting the words “81, 82, 83, 85 to 88”;
- (c) by deleting the words “50 to 59” in the third line of subsection (7) and substituting “56, 58, 59”; and
- (d) by deleting the words “82 to 86” in the third line of subsection (7) and substituting “82, 83, 85, 86”.

Amendment of section 26

4. Section 26(2) of the principal Act is amended —

- (a) by deleting paragraph (a) and substituting the following paragraph:

“(a) the licensee to enter into agreements or arrangements with any person, class of persons or another telecommunication licensee for —

- (i) the interconnection of, and access to, telecommunication systems;

- (ii) the sharing of installation or plant used for telecommunications belonging to any telecommunication licensee; and
- (iii) such other purpose as may be specified in the licence,

and on such terms and conditions as may be agreed to by the licensee and such other persons or licensees or, in default of agreement, as may be determined by the Authority;” and

- (b) by deleting the full-stop at the end of paragraph (b) and substituting a semi-colon, and by inserting immediately thereafter the following paragraphs:

- “(c) the licensee to comply with any direction given by the Authority as to such matters as are specified in the licence or are of a description so specified;
- (d) the licensee to comply with codes of practice and standards of performance that are applicable to the licensee; and
- (e) the licensee to do or not to do such things as are specified in the licence or are of a description so specified.”.

Amendment of section 29

5. Section 29(1) of the principal Act is amended by inserting, immediately after the word “licence” where it secondly appears in sub-paragraph (A), the words “or part thereof”.

Amendment of section 30

6. Section 30(1) of the principal Act is amended by deleting the words “public telecommunication” and substituting the words “telecommunication system”.

Amendment of section 42

7. Section 42 of the principal Act is amended by deleting subsection (2) and substituting the following subsection:

“(2) A licence granted under subsection (1) may be granted either to any