Town Councils (Amendment) Bill

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An Act to amend the Town Councils Act (Chapter 329A of the 1997 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 Town Councils (Amendment) Act 1998 and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by notification in the *Gazette*, appoint.

Amendment of section 21

- **2.** Section 21(1) of the Town Councils Act (referred to in this Act as the principal Act) is amended by inserting, immediately after paragraph (b), the following paragraph:
 - "(ba) contribute such sum towards the premiums to be paid by the Board for the insurance of the common property of the residential and commercial property against damage by fire as the Minister may, by notice in writing to the Town Council, determine;".

Amendment of section 33

- **3.** Section 33 of the principal Act is amended
 - (a) by deleting the words ", market and food centres and of other" in the fifth and sixth lines of subsection (1) and in subsection (4) and substituting in each case the words "and of";
 - (b) by deleting subsection (5) and substituting the following subsection:
 - "(5) The Minister may, from time to time, prescribe the minimum amount of
 - (a) the conservancy and service charges which are paid, or are due and payable, or both, to a Town Council under section 38; and
 - (b) any grants-in-aid made to a Town Council under section 41,

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to be paid or credited into the sinking funds established for residential property and for commercial property.";

(c) by deleting the words ", market and food centres and other" in paragraph (a)(i) and (iii) of subsection (6) and substituting in each case the word "and";