

# **Constitution of the Republic of Singapore (Amendment No. 2) Bill**

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An Act to amend the Constitution 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 Constitution of the Republic of Singapore (Amendment No. 2) Act 1987 and shall come into operation on such date as the President may, by notification in the *Gazette*, appoint.

### **Amendment of Article 2**

2. Article 2 of the Constitution of the Republic of Singapore (referred to in this Act as the Constitution) is amended —

- (a) by deleting the words “the Deputy Speaker” in the definition of “Deputy Speaker” in clause (1) and substituting the words “a Deputy Speaker”; and
- (b) by deleting the words “the Deputy Speaker” in the last line of the proviso to clause (4) and substituting the words “a Deputy Speaker”.

### **Amendment of Article 39**

3. Article 39 of the Constitution is amended —

- (a) by deleting the words “equal to the number of” in clause (1)(a) and substituting the words “required to be returned at a general election by the”; and
- (b) by deleting the words “Article 47” in clause (3) and substituting the words “Articles 39A and 47”.

### **New Article 39A**

4. The Constitution is amended by inserting, immediately after Article 39, the following Article:

#### **“Group representation constituencies**

**39A.**—(1) The Legislature may, in order to ensure the representation in Parliament of Members from the Malay and other minority communities, by law make provision for —

- (a) any constituency to be declared by the President, having regard to the number of electors in that constituency, as a group representation constituency to enable any election in that constituency to be held on