

Constitution of the Republic of Singapore (Amendment) 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) Act 1985 and shall come into operation on such date as the President may, by notification in the *Gazette*, appoint.

Amendment of Article 130

2. Article 130 of the Constitution of the Republic of Singapore (referred to in this Act as the Constitution) is amended —

- (a) by inserting, at the end of paragraph (a), the word “or”; and
- (b) by deleting paragraphs (b) and (c) and substituting the following paragraph:

“(b) been deprived of his citizenship under Article 129(2)(a) or 134(1)(a).”.

Amendment of Article 133

3. Article 133(1) of the Constitution is amended by deleting the words “Article 129, 132” and substituting the words “Article 129, 132, 134”.

Repeal and re-enactment of Articles 134 and 135

4. Articles 134 and 135 of the Constitution are repealed and the following Articles substituted therefor:

“Deprivation of citizenship on acquisition of foreign citizenship

134.—(1) The Government may by order deprive a citizen of Singapore of his citizenship if the Government is satisfied that —

- (a) he has, while of or over the age of 18 years, at any time after 6th April 1960 acquired by registration, naturalisation or other voluntary and formal act (other than marriage) the citizenship of any country outside Singapore or having so acquired such citizenship before the age of 18 years continues to retain it after that age; or
- (b) the citizen, being a woman who is a citizen of Singapore by registration under Article 123(2), has acquired the citizenship of any