## **Provisional Mass Rapid Transit Authority Bill**

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## **Provisional Mass Rapid Transit Authority Bill**

### Bill No. 9/1980

Read the first time on 5th March 1980.

An Act to establish the Provisional Mass Rapid Transit Authority and for purposes connected therewith.

Be it enacted by the President with the advice and consent of the Parliament of Singapore, as follows: —

### PART I

### PRELIMINARY

#### Short title and commencement

1. This Act may be cited as the Provisional Mass Rapid Transit Authority Act, 1980, and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by notification in the *Gazette*, appoint.

### Interpretation

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires —

"Chairman" means the Chairman of the Provisional Authority;

"Deputy Chairman" means the Deputy Chairman of the Provisional Authority;

- "Mass Rapid Transit System" means the Mass Rapid Transit System intended to be set up in pursuance of the transport policy of the Government;
- "Provisional Authority" means the Provisional Mass Rapid Transit Authority established under section 3.

## PART II

## THE PROVISIONAL MASS RAPID TRANSIT AUTHORITY

### Establishment and incorporation of the Provisional Mass Rapid Transit Authority

**3.** There is hereby established the Provisional Mass Rapid Transit Authority which shall be a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal and with power —

- (a) to sue and be sued in its corporate name;
- (b) to acquire, own, hold and develop or dispose of property, both movable and immovable;
- (c) to perform such other acts as bodies corporate may by law perform; and
- (d) to exercise such other powers as are conferred upon it by and under this Act.

## Membership of Provisional Authority

4. The Provisional Authority shall consist of the following members: —

- (a) a Chairman appointed by the President;
- (*b*) a Deputy Chairman appointed by the Minister; and
- (c) not less than three nor more than thirteen other members appointed by the Minister.

# Term of office

**5.**—(1) The Chairman shall be appointed for such term as the President thinks fit.

(2) The Deputy Chairman and any other member appointed by the Minister shall hold and vacate his office in accordance with the terms of his appointment and shall, on ceasing to be a member, be eligible for re-appointment.

(3) Any member may resign his office at any time by a written notice given, in the case of the Chairman to the President, and in the case of the Deputy Chairman or any other member to the Minister.

(4) The Chairman may be removed from his office by the President, and the Deputy Chairman or any other member by the Minister, for neglect of duty or misconduct, permanent incapacity or other sufficient cause (as to the existence of which the President's or Minister's decision, as the case may be, shall be final).

# **Proceedings of the Provisional Authority**

**6.**—(1) At any meeting of the Provisional Authority three members shall form a quorum.

(2) The Chairman shall preside at all meetings at which he is present and in his absence the Deputy Chairman shall preside.

(3) The Provisional Authority may regulate its own procedure in such manner as it thinks fit.

# Functions and powers of the Provisional Authority

7.—(1) The Provisional Authority shall do all such things as are necessary or expedient in the planning and establishment of a Mass Rapid Transit System in Singapore for the conveyance of passengers.

(2) Without prejudice to the generality of subsection (1), the Provisional Authority may —

(a) cause any studies or investigations to be made;