

# **Merchant Shipping (Amendment) Ordinance**

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#### Merchant Shipping (Amendment) Ordinance

#### Bill No. 4/1963

*Read the first time on 28th November 1963.*

An Ordinance to amend the Merchant Shipping Ordinance ( *Chapter 207 of the Revised Edition*).

Be it enacted by the Yang di-Pertuan Negara with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of Singapore, as follows: —

#### Short title and commencement

1.—(1) This Ordinance may be cited as the Merchant Shipping (Amendment) Ordinance, 1963, and shall come into operation on such date as the Yang di-Pertuan Negara may by notification in the *Gazette* appoint.

(2) The Yang di-Pertuan Negara may appoint different days for the coming into operation of the different Parts or provisions of this Ordinance.

#### Amendment of section 3

2. Section 3 of the Merchant Shipping Ordinance (hereinafter in this Ordinance referred to as the “principal Ordinance”) is hereby amended —

(a) by inserting immediately after the definition of “deck passenger” appearing therein the following new definition: —

“ “Director” means the Director of Marine appointed under section 9 of this Ordinance and includes the Deputy Director of Marine appointed under the said section;”;

(b) by deleting the definition of “port” appearing therein and substituting therefor the following: —

“ “port” shall have the same meaning as in the Port of Singapore Authority Ordinance, 1963 (Ord. .... of 1963);”;

- (c) by deleting the definition of “Port Officer” appearing therein; and
- (d) by deleting the definition of “Superintendent” appearing therein and substituting therefor the following: —

“ “Superintendent” means the Superintendent of the Mercantile Marine Office referred to in section 43A of this Ordinance and includes any Deputy Superintendent appointed under the said section, or, if the context so requires, any Superintendent appointed under the Merchant Shipping Acts;”.

### **Repeal and re-enactment of section 9**

3. Section 9 of the principal Ordinance is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor: —

#### **“Appointment of Director of Marine**

9.—(1) The Yang di-Pertuan Negara may appoint a Director of Marine and a Deputy Director of Marine.

(2) The Director may appoint so many other officers as he may think fit for the purpose of carrying out all or any of the powers conferred on the Director by or under this Ordinance.”.

### **New section 43A**

4. The principal Ordinance is hereby amended by inserting immediately after section 43 thereof the following new section: —

#### **“Mercantile Marine Office**

43A.—(1) The Minister may appoint a place, to be called “the Mercantile Marine Office”, and such other places as he may think fit to be called “Mercantile Marine Sub-Offices”, at all of which places shall be conducted any business connected with the engagement and discharge in Singapore of seamen on board British ships and any foreign ships whose flag is not represented by a consular officer resident in Singapore.

(2) The Director shall be the Superintendent of the Mercantile Marine Office.

(3) The Superintendent may appoint such number of Deputy Superintendents as