

**Singapore Totalisator Board Act  
(CHAPTER 305A)**

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# **SINGAPORE TOTALISATOR BOARD ACT**

## **(CHAPTER 305A)**

(Original Enactment: Act 29 of 1987)

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An Act to provide for the establishment of the Singapore Totalisator Board and to regulate the conduct of betting by agencies of the Board, and for matters connected therewith.

[1st January 1988]

### **PART I**

#### **PRELIMINARY**

##### **Short title**

1. This Act may be cited as the Singapore Totalisator Board Act.

##### **Interpretation**

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

“advertisement” includes —

- (a) any notice, circular, pamphlet, brochure, programme, price-list, label, wrapper or other document; and
- (b) any announcement, notification or intimation to the public or any section thereof or to any person or persons made —
  - (i) orally or in writing;
  - (ii) by means of any poster, placard, notice or other document affixed, posted up or displayed on any wall, billboard or hoarding or on any other object or thing;
  - (iii) by means of producing or transmitting sound or light and whether for aural or visual reception or both;
  - (iv) by means of any writing on any vehicle or any object or thing; or

(v) in any other manner whatsoever;

“Board” means the Singapore Totalisator Board established under section 3;

“gaming” means the playing of any game of chance or of mixed chance and skill for money or money’s worth;

“horse race” includes a pony race;

“lottery” includes any game, method, device, scheme or competition whereby money or money’s worth is distributed or allotted in any manner depending upon or to be determined by chance or lot;

“race course” means any land used for the purpose of a race meeting;

“race meeting” means a meeting for the purpose of horse racing;

“totalisator” means any instrument for wagering or betting known by that name, and any other instrument, device, machine or method of a like nature and conducted on the same principles, and includes a numbers forecast totalisator paying a fixed minimum dividend;

“totalisator agency” means any totalisator agency appointed by the Board, and includes any premises in which totalisator investments may be received;

“totalisator investment” means any money, currency note or cheque, or such other form of payment as may be approved by the Minister, received for investment on the totalisator;

“turf club” means any club, association or other body of persons (whether incorporated or unincorporated) established for the purpose of promoting, conducting and controlling the sport of horse racing;

“writing” includes painting, inscription, printing, lithography, typewriting, photography and other modes of representing or reproducing words or figures in visible form.

*[13/2004; 12/2008]*

## PART II

### SINGAPORE TOTALISATOR BOARD

#### **Establishment and incorporation of Singapore Totalisator Board**

**3.** There is hereby established a Board to be known as the Singapore Totalisator

Board which shall be a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal and shall, by that name, be capable of —

- (a) suing and being sued;
- (b) acquiring, owning, holding and developing or disposing of property, both movable and immovable; and
- (c) doing and suffering such other acts or things as bodies corporate may lawfully do and suffer.

### **Functions of Board**

4.—(1) The functions of the Board are —

- (a) to establish, operate or conduct any totalisator, lottery, betting or gaming activity;
- (b) to conduct equine research and establish, maintain and improve turf clubs, training centres for apprentices, jockeys, blacksmiths and others employed in connection with racing, and other places used in connection with racing;
- (c) to establish or operate any totalisator agency;
- (d) with the approval of the Minister, to establish and maintain places and facilities for recreation on land owned or held by the Board and to carry out such activities as appear to the Board to be requisite, advantageous or convenient for or in connection with its functions;
- (e) to improve racing generally; and
- (f) to issue or approve and, from time to time, modify rules in relation to —
  - (i) the operation or conduct of any totalisator, lottery, betting or gaming activity established by the Board; or
  - (ii) the operation of any totalisator agency or any agent appointed by the Board.

*[4/97; 13/2004; 12/2008]*

(2) The Minister may, after consultation with the Board, give to the Board such general directions, not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, as to the policy to be followed by the Board in the exercise and performance of its powers and functions under this Act as appear to the Minister to be required in the public interest, and the Board shall as soon as possible give effect to any such directions.

*[4/97]*

(3) The Board shall furnish the Minister with information with respect to its property