

Environmental Public Health (Amendment) Bill

Bill No. 18/2008.

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A BILL

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An Act to amend the Environmental Public Health Act (Chapter 95 of the 2002 Revised Edition).

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 Environmental Public Health (Amendment) Act 2008 and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by notification in the *Gazette*, appoint.

5 **Amendment of section 2**

2. Section 2 of the Environmental Public Health Act is amended by inserting, immediately after the definition of “public waste collector licensee”, the following definition:

10 ““recyclable” means such refuse, waste or other material or thing as may be prescribed by the Agency, with the approval of the Minister, to be capable of being recycled or reused;”.

Amendment of section 10

3. Section 10(1) of the Environmental Public Health Act is amended —

- 15 (a) by deleting the word “and” at the end of paragraph (a); and
 (b) by deleting the full-stop at the end of paragraph (b) and substituting the word “; and”, and by inserting immediately thereafter the following paragraph:

20 “(c) receptacles which shall conform to such specifications as the Director-General may require, to be placed in appropriate locations within the premises of the owner or occupier as the Director-General thinks fit for the deposit of recyclables.”.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This Bill seeks to amend the Environmental Public Health Act (Cap. 95) to enable the Director-General of Public Health (the Director-General) to require the owner or occupier of any premises to provide receptacles for the deposit of recyclables.

Clause 1 relates to the short title and commencement.

Clause 2 amends section 2 by inserting a new definition of “recyclable”, which has been defined to mean such refuse, waste or other material or thing as may be prescribed by the National Environment Agency, with the approval of the Minister, to be capable of being recycled or reused.

Clause 3 amends section 10(1) by providing that the Director-General may, by notice in writing, require the owner or occupier of any premises to provide, construct or reconstruct at the expense of the owner or occupier and within such time as may be specified in the notice receptacles which must conform to such specifications as the Director-General may require, to be placed in appropriate locations within the premises of the owner or occupier as the Director-General thinks fit for the deposit of recyclables.

EXPENDITURE OF PUBLIC MONEY

This Bill will not involve the Government in any extra financial expenditure.
