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Land Transport and Related Matters Bill Introduced in Parliament to Implement New Rules Under Active Mobility, Electronic Road Pricing, and Vehicle and Road Safety Policies

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1. The Ministry of Transport (MOT) and the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) introduced the Land Transport and Related Matters Bill (the “Bill”) for first reading in Parliament on 12 January 2026. The Bill proposes legislative amendments to the Active Mobility Act 2017, the Small Motorised Vehicles (Safety) Act 2020, the Road Traffic Act 1961 and Related Acts, and the Land Transport Authority of Singapore Act 1995. The new legislative provisions are intended to empower the Land Transport Authority (LTA) to improve path, active mobility device and vehicle safety, as well as to transition to the Electronic Road Pricing 2.0 system. The Bill will also allow us to implement enhanced penalties to strengthen deterrence and improve vehicle and road safety.

Active Mobility Provisions

2. In March 2024, MOT reviewed and accepted the recommendations by the Active Mobility Advisory Panel (AMAP) on regulating personal mobility aids (PMAs). The recommendations address concerns on the misuse of mobility scooters by seemingly able-bodied individuals, as well as speeding and the use of overly large devices, which may compromise the safety of other path users, especially seniors and young children. LTA plans to commence the new rules from mid 2026, to give stakeholders time to comply after the amendments are passed in Parliament in February 2026.

3. To operationalise the recommendations, and further enhance path and fire safety, the Bill will amend the Active Mobility Act (AMA), Road Traffic Act and Small Motorised Vehicles (Safety) Act to:

i. Implement the Certificate of Medical Need Requirement, where individuals must be granted a valid Certificate of Medical Need to drive or ride a mobility scooter on public paths.



- ii. Impose dimension limits on PMAs used on public paths, and reduce the speed limit for PMAs from 10km/h to 6km/h;
- iii. Mandate the registration of mobility scooters, to strengthen enforcement. LTA will impose the requirement on new mobility scooters sold, and will give existing users time before imposing it on all mobility scooters;
- iv. Make it an offence to keep non-UL2272 e-scooters. Today, it is an offence to use e-scooters that do not meet the UL2272 fire safety standard on public paths or roads, but not to keep such a device. As non-compliant e-scooters pose severe fire risks, we will prohibit the keeping of non-UL2272-certified e-scooters.

Road Traffic and Vehicle Provisions

Transitioning to Electronic Road Pricing 2.0

- 4. The installation of the ERP 2.0 system's On-Board Unit (OBUs) in all vehicles is progressing well. To date, more than 90% of all vehicles in Singapore have had OBUs installed at more than 300 authorised workshops across Singapore.
- 5. As we prepare for all vehicles to be installed with the ERP 2.0 system, the Bill will amend the Road Traffic Act (RTA) to:
 - i. Mandate Singapore-registered motor vehicles to be installed with an OBU to travel on public roads in Singapore. Moving forward, unauthorised OBU services (e.g. installation, manufacture, repositioning, removal, repair) and their advertising will be prohibited;
 - ii. Streamline the collection of missed ERP charges by decriminalising missed ERP payments and treating it as an administrative matter. Under the Bill, vehicle owners -rather than drivers - will be responsible for unpaid ERP charges. Those with outstanding payments will no longer face a traffic offence, instead they would be unable to transact with LTA on some services (e.g. road tax renewal, transfer of vehicle registration) until the missed ERP charges are settled.

Enhancing Penalties to Ensure Vehicle and Road Safety

- 6. The Bill will also increase penalties to strengthen deterrence and improve vehicle and road safety:
 - i. Amend the RTA to increase the penalties for illegal alteration of motor vehicles, and broadens the scope to include permitting^[1] such illegal alterations on their premises. Under the Bill, for cases involving individuals, such persons face fines up to \$20,000 and/or imprisonment for a term not exceeding 2 years, with penalties doubled for repeat



offenders. For any other cases, first time offenders can be fined up to \$40,000, and up to \$80,000 for repeat offenders.

ii. Amend the RTA to increase penalties for keeping or using unregistered / deregistered vehicles, to be commensurate with the severity of such offence. Under the Bill, offenders can face fines of up to \$20,000 and/or jail of up to 24 months for the first offence, with penalties doubled for repeat offenders.

7. Please refer to MHA's press release on the amendments proposed by MHA under this Bill.

[1] For example, permitting a family member to solicit and perform illegal modification work at their workshop.

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