THE VICTORIA STATION OVERHEAD PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE (AUTHORISED CONSTRUCTION) BILL

(No. XXIII of 2019)

Explanatory Memorandum

The object of this Bill is to authorise Victoria Station Ltd to construct, in connection with the implementation of the Light Rail Transit system in Mauritius, an overhead pedestrian bridge over part of the Port Louis-Plaisance Dual Carriageway (M1) for the purpose of developing the Victoria Urban Terminal.

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A BILL

To provide for the construction of an overhead pedestrian bridge over part of the Port Louis-Plaisance Dual Carriageway (M1)

ENACTED the Parliament of Mauritius, as follows –

1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the Victoria Station Overhead Pedestrian Bridge (Authorised Construction) Act 2019.

2. Interpretation

In this Act -

"company" means the Victoria Station Ltd which -

- (a) has been incorporated in Mauritius, under the Companies Act, on 31 January 2019; and
- (b) bears registration number 161891;

"Minister" means the Minister to whom the responsibility for the subject of land is assigned;

"Motorway M1" means the Port Louis-Plaisance Dual Carriageway which –

- (a) is classified as a motorway; and
- (b) bears classification number "M1",

under the Motorways and Main Roads Regulations 1976.

3. Permission to construct

- (1) The company may, subject to such conditions as the Minister may determine, construct an overhead pedestrian bridge, in accordance with the Schedule, across Motorway M1 at a distance of 192 metres northbound from the flyover known as the Decaen flyover.
- (2) The company shall, during such period as may be prescribed, maintain at its own cost, the overhead pedestrian bridge in good repair and ensure that it is not a source of danger to the public.

4. Public domain

(1) The overhead pedestrian bridge constructed shall be the property of the Government of Mauritius, and shall, subject to subsection (2), not form part of the public domain.

(2) The part of Motorway M1 underneath the overhead pedestrian bridge shall continue to be part of the public domain.

5. Regulations

- (1) The Minister may make such regulations as he thinks fit for the purposes of this Act.
 - (2) The Minister may, by regulations, amend the Schedule.

6. Commencement

This Act shall come into operation on a date to be fixed by Proclamation.

SCHEDULE

[Section 3]

The overhead pedestrian bridge shall be -

- (a) constructed across Motorway M1, at a distance of 192 metres northbound from the flyover known as the Decaen flyover, and shall have 3 pier columns as follows
 - (i) one placed 52.5 cm from the right edge of Motorway M1;
 - (ii) one placed 37.5 cm from the left edge of Motorway M1; and
 - (iii) one on the central verge of Motorway M1;
- (b) constructed at a height of at least 5 metres over Motorway M1; and

(c) of such construction and design as the Minister may approve.