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NEWSPAPERS REGISTRATION AND DISTRIBUTION (AMENDMENT) REGULATION 2005

(Made under section 29A of the Interpretation and General Clauses Ordinance (Cap. 1) by virtue of section 18 of the Registration of Local Newspapers Ordinance (Cap. 268))

1. Commencement

This Regulation shall come into operation on 1 December 2005.

2. Fees for search inspection and extract from register of local newspaper

- (1) Regulation 10 of the Newspapers Registration and Distribution Regulations (Cap. 268 sub. leg. B) is amended by repealing "\$28" and substituting "\$33".
- (2) Regulation 10 is amended by repealing "\$115" and substituting "\$130".

3. Registration fees, etc.

- (1) Regulation 12(1) is amended by repealing "\$785" and substituting "\$905".
- (2) Regulation 12(2) is amended by repealing "\$785" and substituting "\$680".
- (3) Regulation 12(3) is amended by repealing "\$83" and substituting "\$100".

4. Distributor to be licensed

Regulation 13(2) is amended by repealing "\$785" and substituting "\$865".

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Explanatory Note

Under the Newspapers Registration and Distribution Regulations (Cap. 268 sub. leg. B), local newspapers must register with the registrar of newspapers and newspaper distributors must be licensed.

2. This Regulation—

- (a) increases the fees payable in respect of the registration of local newspapers and the supply of substituted particulars to the registrar of newspapers;
- (b) decreases the annual fee payable in respect of registered newspapers; and
- (c) increases the fees payable for the licensing of newspaper distributors, as well as the fees for searching and inspecting, and obtaining certified extracts from, any register of local newspapers.