

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE
TWELFTH PARLIAMENT OF SINGAPORE**

First Session

FRIDAY, 15 MARCH 2013

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11.00 am

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PRESENT:

Mdm SPEAKER (Mdm HALIMAH YACOB (Jurong)).

Mr ANG HIN KEE (Ang Mo Kio).

Mr ANG WEI NENG (Jurong).

Mr BAEY YAM KENG (Tampines).

Mr CHAN CHUN SING (Tanjong Pagar), Acting Minister for Social and Family Development and Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Defence.

Dr CHIA SHI-LU (Tanjong Pagar).

Mrs LINA CHIAM (Non-Constituency Member).

Mr CHARLES CHONG (Joo Chiat), Deputy Speaker.

Mr CHRISTOPHER DE SOUZA (Holland-Bukit Timah).

Ms FAIZAH JAMAL (Nominated Member).

Mr NICHOLAS FANG (Nominated Member).

Mr ARTHUR FONG (West Coast).

Mr CEDRIC FOO CHEE KENG (Pioneer).

Ms FOO MEE HAR (West Coast).

Ms GRACE FU HAI YIEN (Yuhua), Minister, Prime Minister's Office, Second Minister for the Environment and Water Resources and Second Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Mr GAN KIM YONG (Chua Chu Kang), Minister for Health and Government Whip.

Mr GAN THIAM POH (Pasir Ris-Punggol).

Mr GERALD GIAM YEAN SONG (Non-Constituency Member).

Mr HAWAZI DAIPI (Sembawang), Senior Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Education and Acting Minister for Manpower.

Mr HENG CHEE HOW (Whampoa), Senior Minister of State, Prime Minister's Office and Deputy Leader of the House.

Mr HRI KUMAR NAIR (Bishan-Toa Payoh).

Mr INDERJIT SINGH (Ang Mo Kio).

Ms INDRANEE RAJAH (Tanjong Pagar), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Law and Ministry of Education.

Dr INTAN AZURA MOKHTAR (Ang Mo Kio).

Mr S ISWARAN (West Coast), Minister, Prime Minister's Office, Second Minister for Home Affairs and Second Minister for Trade and Industry.

Dr JANIL PUTHUCHEARY (Pasir Ris-Punggol).

Mr KHAW BOON WAN (Sembawang), Minister for National Development.

Dr AMY KHOR LEAN SUAN (Hong Kah North), Minister of State, Ministry of Health and Ministry of Manpower and Deputy Government Whip.

Ms JANICE KOH (Nominated Member).

Dr LAM PIN MIN (Sengkang West).

Er Dr LEE BEE WAH (Nee Soon).

Ms ELLEN LEE (Sembawang).

Mr LEE HSIEN LOONG (Ang Mo Kio), Prime Minister.

Ms LEE LI LIAN (Punggol East).

Mr DESMOND LEE TI-SENG (Jurong).

Mr LEE YI SHYAN (East Coast), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Trade and Industry and Ministry of National Development.

Mr LIANG ENG HWA (Holland-Bukit Timah).

Mr LAURENCE LIEN (Nominated Member).

Ms MARY LIEW (Nominated Member).

Mr LIM BIOW CHUAN (Mountbatten).

Mr LIM HNG KIANG (West Coast), Minister for Trade and Industry.

Mr RAYMOND LIM SIANG KEAT (East Coast).

Mr LIM SWEE SAY (East Coast), Minister, Prime Minister's Office.

Ms SYLVIA LIM (Aljunied).

Dr LIM WEE KIAK (Nee Soon).

Ms PENNY LOW (Pasir Ris- Punggol).

Mr LOW THIA KHIANG (Aljunied).

Ms LOW YEN LING (Chua Chu Kang).

Mr LUI TUCK YEW (Moulmein-Kallang), Minister for Transport.

Mr MAH BOW TAN (Tampines).

Mr MASAGOS ZULKIFLI B M M (Tampines), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Home Affairs and Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Dr MOHAMAD MALIKI BIN OSMAN (East Coast), Senior Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Defence and Minister for National Development.

Mr MUHAMAD FAISAL ABDUL MANAP (Aljunied).

Assoc Prof Dr MUHAMMAD FAISHAL IBRAHIM (Nee Soon), Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Health and Minister for Transport.

Dr LILY NEO (Tanjong Pagar).

Dr NG ENG HEN (Bishan-Toa Payoh), Minister for Defence and Leader of the House.

Ms IRENE NG PHEK HOONG (Tampines).

Mr DAVID ONG KIM HUAT (Jurong).

Mr ONG TENG KOON (Sembawang).

Ms DENISE PHUA LAY PENG (Moulmein-Kallang).

Mr PNG ENG HUAT (Hougang).

Mr PRITAM SINGH (Aljunied).

Mr R DHINAKARAN (Nominated Member).

Mr SEAH KIAN PENG (Marine Parade), Deputy Speaker.

Ms SIM ANN (Holland-Bukit Timah), Senior Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Education and Minister for Communications and Information.

Mr SITO H YIH PIN (Potong Pasir).

Mr SAM TAN CHIN SIONG (Radin Mas), Senior Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth.

Asst Prof TAN KHENG BOON EUGENE (Nominated Member).

Ms JESSICA TAN SOON NEO (East Coast).

Ms TAN SU SHAN (Nominated Member).

Mr TEO CHEE HEAN (Pasir Ris-Punggol), Deputy Prime Minister and Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs.

Dr TEO HO PIN (Bukit Panjang), Deputy Government Whip.

Mrs JOSEPHINE TEO (Bishan-Toa Payoh), Minister of State, Ministry of Finance and Ministry of Transport.

Mr TEO SER LUCK (Pasir Ris-Punggol), Minister of State, Ministry of Trade and Industry.

Mr THARMAN SHANMUGARATNAM (Jurong), Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance.

Ms TIN PEI LING (Marine Parade).

Mr EDWIN TONG CHUN FAI (Moulmein-Kallang).

Mr VIKRAM NAIR (Sembawang).

Dr VIVIAN BALAKRISHNAN (Holland-Bukit Timah), Minister for the Environment and Water Resources.

Mr WONG KAN SENG (Bishan-Toa Payoh).

Mr LAWRENCE WONG (West Coast), Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth and Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Communications and Information.

Assoc Prof Dr YAACOB IBRAHIM (Moulmein-Kallang), Minister for Communications and Information and Minister-in-charge of Muslim Affairs.

Mr ALEX YAM ZIMING (Chua Chu Kang).

Mr YEE JENN JONG (Non-Constituency Member).

Mr ALVIN YEO (Chua Chu Kang).

Mr YEO GUAT KWANG (Ang Mo Kio).

Mr ZAINAL SAPARI (Pasir Ris-Punggol).

Mr ZAINUDIN NORDIN (Bishan-Toa Payoh).

ABSENT:

Mr CHEN SHOW MAO (Aljunied).

Assoc Prof FATIMAH LATEEF (Marine Parade).

Mr GOH CHOK TONG (Marine Parade).

Mr HENG SWEE KEAT (Tampines), Minister for Education.

Mr LEE KUAN YEW (Tanjong Pagar).

Mr SENG HAN THONG (Ang Mo Kio).

Mr K SHANMUGAM (Nee Soon), Minister for Foreign Affairs and Minister for Law.

Mr TAN CHUAN-JIN (Marine Parade), Acting Minister for Manpower and Senior Minister of State,
Ministry of National Development.

Mr PATRICK TAY TECK GUAN (Nee Soon).

Mr TEO SIONG SENG (Nominated Member).

Mr ZAQY MOHAMAD (Chua Chu Kang).

- 1 Child Development Co-Savings (Amendment) Bill – "to amend the Child Development Co-Savings Act (Chapter 38A of the 2002 Revised Edition) and to make related amendments to the Employment Act (Chapter 91 of the 2009 Revised Edition)" – President's recommendation signified and Bill presented by the Acting Minister for Social and Family Development; read the first time; to be read a second time on the next available sitting day and to be printed. [Bill No. 10/2013].
- 2 Estimates for the financial year 1st April 2013 to 31st March 2014 (Paper Cmd. 3 of 2013) – Committee of Supply (7th Allotted Day) – Supply considered in the Committee:

(In the Committee)

Head X – Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth –

Debate resumed on Question, "That the total sum to be allocated for Head X of the Estimates be reduced by \$100." – (Mr Baey Yam Keng).

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

The sum of \$1,000,252,300 for Head X agreed to stand part of the Main Estimates.

The sum of \$300,196,100 for Head X agreed to stand part of the Development Estimates.

The sums stated for the Heads stated below agreed to stand part of the Main Estimates:

<i>Head</i>	\$
B Attorney-General's Chambers	148,871,900
C Auditor-General's Office	27,048,300
D Cabinet Office	948,900
E Judicature	139,098,500
F Parliament	30,591,000
G Presidential Councils	589,600
Z Financial Transfers	15,787,515,000

The sums stated for the Heads stated below agreed to stand part of the Development Estimates:

<i>Head</i>	\$
B Attorney-General's Chambers	5,122,800
C Auditor-General's Office	79,200
D Cabinet Office	275,300
E Judicature	28,344,600
F Parliament	2,860,300

Resolved, "That the sum of \$56,339,374,800 shall be supplied to the Government under the Heads of Expenditure for the public services shown in the Main Estimates for the financial year 1st April 2013 to 31st March 2014, contained in Paper Cmd. 3 of 2013."

Resolved, "That the sum of \$20,271,605,300 shall be supplied to the Government under the Heads of Expenditure for the public services shown in the Development Estimates for the financial year 1st April 2013 to 31st March 2014, contained in Paper Cmd. 3 of 2013."

Resolutions to be reported.

Resolutions reported and agreed to.

- 3 Supply Bill – (Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance) – read a second and third time pursuant to Standing Order No. 93.
- 4 Supplementary Supply (FY 2012) Bill – (Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance) – read a second and third time pursuant to Standing Order No. 93.
- 5 Monetary Authority of Singapore (Amendment) Bill – read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

The House immediately resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill – (Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance).

(In the Committee)

Clauses 1 to 17 inclusive agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, without amendment; read a third time.

- 6 Financial Institutions (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill – read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

The House immediately resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill – (Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance).

(In the Committee)

Clauses 1 to 11 inclusive agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, without amendment; read a third time.

- 7 Insurance (Amendment) Bill – read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

The House immediately resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill – (Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance).

(In the Committee)

Clauses 1 to 69 inclusive agreed to.

The Schedule:

With the consent of Speaker and general assent of Members present, amendments made in page 106, lines 4, 5, 8 and 9, by leaving out "or co-operative society".

The Schedule, as amended, agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, with amendments; read a third time.

- 8 Adjournment – (Leader of the House) – Resolved, "That Parliament do now adjourn to a date to be fixed."

Adjourned at 4.39 pm

HALIMAH YACOB,
Speaker

MEMORANDUM

Parliament stands adjourned to a date to be fixed.
