

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT OF SINGAPORE

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## First Session

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MONDAY, 10 OCTOBER 2016

No. 25

**1.30 pm**

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PRESENT:

Mdm SPEAKER (Mdm HALIMAH YACOB (Marsiling-Yew Tee)).

Mr AMRIN AMIN (Sembawang), Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs.

Mr ANG HIN KEE (Ang Mo Kio).

Mr ANG WEI NENG (Jurong).

Mr AZMOON AHMAD (Nominated Member).

Mr BAEY YAM KENG (Tampines), Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth.

Mr CHAN CHUN SING (Tanjong Pagar), Minister, Prime Minister's Office and Government Whip.

Mr CHEE HONG TAT (Bishan-Toa Payoh), Minister of State, Ministry of Communications and Information and Ministry of Health.

Mr CHEN SHOW MAO (Aljunied).

Miss CHENG LI HUI (Tampines).

Dr CHIA SHI-LU (Tanjong Pagar).

Ms CHIA YONG YONG (Nominated Member).

Mr CHARLES CHONG (Punggol East), Deputy Speaker.

Mr CHONG KEE HIONG (Bishan-Toa Payoh).

Mr DESMOND CHOO (Tampines).

Mr THOMAS CHUA KEE SENG (Nominated Member).

Mr DARRYL DAVID (Ang Mo Kio).

Mr CHRISTOPHER DE SOUZA (Holland-Bukit Timah).

Assoc Prof FATIMAH LATEEF (Marine Parade).

Mr CEDRIC FOO CHEE KENG (Pioneer).

Ms FOO MEE HAR (West Coast).

Ms GRACE FU HAI YIEN (Yuhua), Minister for Culture, Community and Youth and Leader of the House.

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

Mr GOH CHOK TONG (Marine Parade).

Assoc Prof DANIEL GOH PEI SIONG (Non-Constituency Member).

Mr HENG CHEE HOW (Jalan Besar), Senior Minister of State, Prime Minister's Office.

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

Dr INTAN AZURA MOKHTAR (Ang Mo Kio).

Mr S ISWARAN (West Coast), Minister for Trade and Industry (Industry).

Dr JANIL PUTHUCHEARY (Pasir Ris-Punggol), Minister of State, Ministry of Communications and Information and Ministry of Education.

Dr AMY KHOR LEAN SUAN (Hong Kah North), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of the Environment and Water Resources and Ministry of Health.

Dr KOH POH KOON (Ang Mo Kio), Minister of State, Ministry of National Development and Ministry of Trade and Industry.

Mr KOK HENG LEUN (Nominated Member).

Ms KUIK SHIAO-YIN (Nominated Member).

Mr KWEK HIAN CHUAN HENRY (Nee Soon).

Er Dr LEE BEE WAH (Nee Soon).

Mr DESMOND LEE (Jurong), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Home Affairs and Ministry of National Development and Deputy Leader of the House.

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

Mr LEE YI SHYAN (East Coast).

Mr LIANG ENG HWA (Holland-Bukit Timah).

Mr LIM BIOW CHUAN (Mountbatten), Deputy Speaker.

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

Mr LIM SWEE SAY (East Coast), Minister for Manpower.

Ms SYLVIA LIM (Aljunied).

Dr LIM WEE KIAK (Sembawang).

Mr LOW THIA KHIANG (Aljunied).

Ms LOW YEN LING (Chua Chu Kang), Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Education and Ministry of Trade and Industry.

Asst Prof MAHDEV MOHAN (Nominated Member).

Dr MOHAMAD MALIKI BIN OSMAN (East Coast), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Defence and Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Mr MUHAMAD FAISAL ABDUL MANAP (Aljunied).

Assoc Prof Dr MUHAMMAD FAISHAL IBRAHIM (Nee Soon), Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Education and Ministry of Social and Family Development.

Mr MURALI PILLAI (Bukit Batok).

Dr LILY NEO (Jalan Besar).

Dr NG ENG HEN (Bishan-Toa Payoh), Minister for Defence.

Mr LOUIS NG KOK KWANG (Nee Soon).

Mr ONG TENG KOON (Marsiling-Yew Tee).

Mr LEON PERERA (Non-Constituency Member).

Ms DENISE PHUA LAY PENG (Jalan Besar).

Mr PNG ENG HUAT (Hougang).

Mr PRITAM SINGH (Aljunied).

Ms RAHAYU MAHZAM (Jurong).

Mr SAKTIANDI SUPAAT (Bishan-Toa Payoh).

Mr SEAH KIAN PENG (Marine Parade).

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

Ms SIM ANN (Holland-Bukit Timah), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth and Ministry of Trade and Industry and Deputy Government Whip.

Mr SITO H YIH PIN (Potong Pasir).

Ms SUN XUELING (Pasir Ris-Punggol).

Mr TAN CHUAN-JIN (Marine Parade), Minister for Social and Family Development.

Mr DENNIS TAN LIP FONG (Non-Constituency Member).

Assoc Prof RANDOLPH TAN (Nominated Member).

Ms JESSICA TAN SOON NEO (East Coast).

Dr TAN WU MENG (Jurong).

Mr PATRICK TAY TECK GUAN (West Coast).

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

Dr TEO HO PIN (Bukit Panjang).

Mrs JOSEPHINE TEO (Bishan-Toa Payoh), Senior Minister of State, Prime Minister's Office, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Transport.

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

Ms K THANALETCHIMI (Nominated Member).

Mr VIKRAM NAIR (Sembawang).

Dr VIVIAN BALAKRISHNAN (Holland-Bukit Timah), Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Mr LAWRENCE WONG (Marsiling-Yew Tee), Minister for National Development and Second Minister for Finance.

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

Mr ALEX YAM ZIMING (Marsiling-Yew Tee).

Mr YEE CHIA HSING (Chua Chu Kang).

Mr MELVIN YONG YIK CHYE (Tanjong Pagar).

Mr ZAQY MOHAMAD (Chua Chu Kang).

ABSENT:

Miss CHERYL CHAN WEI LING (Fengshan).

Mr GAN THIAM POH (Ang Mo Kio).

Mr GANESH RAJARAM (Nominated Member).

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

Mr KHAW BOON WAN (Sembawang), Coordinating Minister for Infrastructure and Minister for Transport.

Dr LAM PIN MIN (Sengkang West), Minister of State, Ministry of Health.

Mr MASAGOS ZULKIFLI B M M (Tampines), Minister for the Environment and Water Resources.

Mr NG CHEE MENG (Pasir Ris-Punggol), Acting Minister for Education (Schools) and Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Transport.

Mr ONG YE KUNG (Sembawang), Acting Minister for Education (Higher Education and Skills) and Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Defence.

Ms JOAN PEREIRA (Tanjong Pagar).

Mr SAM TAN CHIN SIONG (Radin Mas), Minister of State, Prime Minister's Office and Ministry of Manpower and Deputy Government Whip.

Mr THARMAN SHANMUGARATNAM (Jurong), Deputy Prime Minister and Coordinating Minister for Economic and Social Policies.

Ms TIN PEI LING (MacPherson).

Mr EDWIN TONG CHUN FAI (Marine Parade).

Mr ZAINAL SAPARI (Pasir Ris-Punggol).

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- 1 Papers presented to Parliament and received by the Clerk of Parliament pursuant to Standing Order No. 31 (Presentation of Papers) and ordered to lie upon the Table:
- 1.1 Institute of Technical Education Annual Report 2015/2016 – Presented on 14 September 2016 (S. 129 of 2016).
  - 1.2 Public Utilities Board Annual Report 2015/2016 – Presented on 14 September 2016 (S. 130 of 2016).
  - 1.3 National Environment Agency Annual Report 2015/2016 – Presented on 14 September 2016 (S. 131 of 2016).
  - 1.4 White Paper on the Review of Specific Aspects of the Elected Presidency – Presented on 15 September 2016 (Cmd. 7 of 2016).
  - 1.5 International Enterprise Singapore Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements 2015/2016 – Presented on 15 September 2016 (S. 132 of 2016).
  - 1.6 Health Sciences Authority Annual Report 2015/2016 – Presented on 15 September 2016 (S. 133 of 2016).
  - 1.7 Singapore Examinations and Assessment Board Annual Report 2015/2016 – Presented on 16 September 2016 (S. 134 of 2016).
  - 1.8 Temasek Polytechnic Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2016 – Presented on 16 September 2016 (S. 135 of 2016).
  - 1.9 Advice of the Council of Presidential Advisers on the Re-Appointment of Directors to the Board of GIC Private Limited – Presented on 19 September 2016 (S. 136 of 2016).
  - 1.10 Singapore Totalisator Board Audited Financial Statements 2015/2016 – Presented on 19 September 2016 (S. 137 of 2016).
  - 1.11 Singapore Totalisator Board Annual Report 2015/2016 – Presented on 19 September 2016 (S. 138 of 2016).
  - 1.12 Civil Service College Annual Report 2015/2016 – Presented on 19 September 2016 (S. 139 of 2016).
  - 1.13 Sentosa Development Corporation Annual Report 2015/2016 and Audited Financial Statements 2015/2016 – Presented on 21 September 2016 (S. 140 of 2016).
  - 1.14 Annual Report of the Infocomm Development Authority of Singapore 2015/2016 – Presented on 22 September 2016 (S. 141 of 2016).
  - 1.15 Annual Report of the Media Development Authority 2015/2016 – Presented on 22 September 2016 (S. 142 of 2016).

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- 1.16 Annual Report of the National Library Board 2015/2016 – Presented on 22 September 2016 (S. 143 of 2016).
  - 1.17 Health Promotion Board Annual Report 2015/2016 – Presented on 23 September 2016 (S. 144 of 2016).
  - 1.18 ComCare Annual Report FY 2015 – Presented on 23 September 2016 (S. 145 of 2016).
  - 1.19 Land Transport Authority Annual Report 2015/2016 – Presented on 23 September 2016 (S. 146 of 2016).
  - 1.20 Jurong Town Corporation Annual Report FY 2015 – Presented on 23 September 2016 (S. 147 of 2016).
  - 1.21 Public Transport Council Annual Report 2015/2016 – Presented on 26 September 2016 (S. 148 of 2016).
  - 1.22 The People's Association Annual Report (Annual Consolidated Financial Statements) 2015/2016 – Presented on 27 September 2016 (S. 149 of 2016).
  - 1.23 Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore Annual Report 2015/2016 – Presented on 27 September 2016 (S. 150 of 2016).
  - 1.24 Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements 2015/2016 – Presented on 28 September 2016 (S. 151 of 2016).
  - 1.25 Urban Redevelopment Authority Audited Financial Statements for the Financial Year Ended 31 March 2016 – Presented on 28 September 2016 (S. 152 of 2016).
  - 1.26 Intellectual Property Office of Singapore Annual Report 2015/2016 – Presented on 28 September 2016 (S. 153 of 2016).
  - 1.27 Singapore Land Authority Annual Report 2015/2016 – Presented on 28 September 2016 (S. 154 of 2016).
  - 1.28 Singapore Tourism Board Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements 2015/2016 – Presented on 28 September 2016 (S. 155 of 2016).
  - 1.29 National Arts Council Annual Report 2015/2016 – Presented on 28 September 2016 (S. 156 of 2016).
  - 1.30 Casino Regulatory Authority Annual Report 2015/2016 – Presented on 28 September 2016 (S. 157 of 2016).
  - 1.31 Planning (Development Charges) (Amendment No. 2) Rules 2016 – Presented on 28 September 2016 (S. L. 169 of 2016).

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- 1.32 Singapore Workforce Development Agency Annual Report 2015/2016 – Presented on 29 September 2016 (S. 158 of 2016).
  - 1.33 Sport Singapore Annual Report 2015/2016 – Presented on 29 September 2016 (S. 159 of 2016).
  - 1.34 Lifelong Learning Endowment Fund (LLEF) Financial Statements for the Financial Year Ended 31 March 2016 – Presented on 29 September 2016 (S. 160 of 2016).
  - 1.35 Skills Development Fund (SDF) Reports and Financial Statements for the Financial Year Ended 31 March 2016 – Presented on 29 September 2016 (S. 161 of 2016).
  - 1.36 SkillsFuture Jubilee Fund (SFJF) Financial Statements for the Financial Period 11 February 2015 to 31 March 2016 – Presented on 29 September 2016 (S. 162 of 2016).
  - 1.37 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Consumer Protection (Fair Trading) (Amendment) Bill [Bill No 25/2016] – Presented on 30 September 2016 (Pres. Co. 19 of 2016).
  - 1.38 Advice of the Council of Presidential Advisers on the Re-Appointment of Director Corrupt Practices Investigation Bureau (CPIB) – Presented on 30 September 2016 (S. 163 of 2016).
  - 1.39 Productivity Fund Administration Board Annual Report FY 2015 – Presented on 30 September 2016 (S. 164 of 2016).
  - 1.40 National Heritage Board Annual Report 2015/2016 – Presented on 30 September 2016 (S. 165 of 2016).
  - 1.41 Advice of the Council of Presidential Advisers on the Appointment of Board Member of Central Provident Fund Board (CPF Board) – Presented on 30 September 2016 (S. 166 of 2016).
  - 1.42 Agri-Food and Veterinary Authority Annual Report 2015/2016 – Presented on 4 October 2016 (S. 167 of 2016).
  - 1.43 Council for Estate Agencies Annual Report 2015/2016 – Presented on 4 October 2016 (S. 168 of 2016).
  - 1.44 Housing and Development Board Annual Report 2015/2016 – Presented on 4 October 2016 (S. 169 of 2016).
  - 1.45 National Parks Board Annual Report 2015/2016 – Presented on 4 October 2016 (S. 170 of 2016).
  - 1.46 Building and Construction Authority Annual Report 2015/2016 – Presented on 4 October 2016 (S. 171 of 2016).



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- 1.47 Urban Redevelopment Authority Annual Report 2015/2016 – Presented on 4 October 2016 (S. 172 of 2016).
  - 1.48 Financial Advisers Act (Amendment of First Schedule) Order 2016 – Presented on 5 October 2016 (S. L. 170 of 2016).
  - 1.49 Securities and Futures Act (Amendment of Third Schedule) Order 2016 – Presented on 5 October 2016 (S. L. 171 of 2016).
  - 1.50 Employment Agencies (Exemption) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Order 2016 – Presented on 5 October 2016 (S. L. 172 of 2016).
  - 1.51 Employment Agencies (Exemption) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (No. 2) Order 2016 – Presented on 5 October 2016 (S. L. 173 of 2016).
  - 1.52 Sewerage and Drainage (Trade Effluent) (Amendment) Regulations 2016 – Presented on 7 October 2016 (S. L. 174 of 2016).
- 2 Extension of Question Time – (Leader of the House) – (with the consent of Mdm Speaker and the general assent of Members present) – Motion made, and Question put – Resolved, "That, notwithstanding Standing Order 22(1), Questions for Oral Answer set down on the Order Paper for today be taken till 4 pm at this day's sitting."
  - 3 29 Questions for Oral Answer were answered during Question Time.
  - 4 Credit Bureau Bill – "to provide for the regulation of certain credit bureaus, the credit reporting business, and certain members of these credit bureaus to whom the credit bureaus provide customer information, and for matters connected with any of these, and to make related and consequential amendments to certain other Acts" – presented by the Minister for Trade and Industry (Trade), on behalf of the Prime Minister; read the first time; to be read a second time on the next available sitting day and to be printed. [Bill No. 27/2016].
  - 5 Constitution of the Republic of Singapore (Amendment) Bill – "to amend the Constitution of the Republic of Singapore (1999 Reprint) and to make related amendments to the Constitution of the Republic of Singapore (Amendment) Act 1996 (Act 41 of 1996)" – presented by the Deputy Prime Minister and Coordinating Minister for National Security; read the first time; to be read a second time on the next available sitting day and to be printed. [Bill No. 28/2016].
  - 6 Merchant Shipping (Maritime Labour Convention) (Amendment) Bill – "to amend the Merchant Shipping (Maritime Labour Convention) Act 2014 (Act 6 of 2014) and to make a related amendment to the Work Injury Compensation Act (Chapter 354 of the 2009 Revised Edition)" – presented by the Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Transport; read the first time; to be read a second time on the next available sitting day and to be printed. [Bill No. 29/2016].

- 7 Telecommunications (Amendment) Bill – "to amend the Telecommunications Act (Chapter 323 of the 2000 Revised Edition) and to make related amendments to the Info-communications Media Development Authority Act 2016 (Act 22 of 2016)" – presented by the Minister for Communications and Information; read the first time; to be read a second time on the next available sitting day and to be printed. [Bill No. 30/2016].
- 8 Fire Safety (Amendment) Bill – "to amend the Fire Safety Act (Chapter 109A of the 2000 Revised Edition)" – presented by the Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Home Affairs; read the first time; to be read a second time on the next available sitting day and to be printed. [Bill No. 31/2016].
- 9 National Registration (Amendment) Bill – "to amend the National Registration Act (Chapter 201 of the 1992 Revised Edition) and to make related amendments to the Registration of Births and Deaths Act (Chapter 267 of the 1985 Revised Edition)" – presented by the Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Home Affairs; read the first time; to be read a second time on the next available sitting day and to be printed. [Bill No. 32/2016].
- 10 Child Development Co-Savings (Amendment No. 2) Bill – "to amend the Child Development Co-Savings Act (Chapter 38A of the 2002 Revised Edition)" – President's recommendation signified and Bill presented by the 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. 33/2016].
- 11 Income Tax (Amendment No. 3) Bill – "to amend the Income Tax Act (Chapter 134 of the 2014 Revised Edition) and to make related amendments to the Economic Expansion Incentives (Relief from Income Tax) Act (Chapter 86 of the 2005 Revised Edition), the Goods and Services Tax Act (Chapter 117A of the 2005 Revised Edition) and the Stamp Duties Act (Chapter 312 of the 2006 Revised Edition)" – President's recommendation signified and Bill presented by the Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Finance; read the first time; to be read a second time on the next available sitting day and to be printed. [Bill No. 34/2016].
- 12 Central Provident Fund (Amendment No. 2) 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 – (Minister for Manpower).

*(In the Committee)*

Clauses 1 to 20 inclusive agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, without amendment; read a third time.

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- 13 Adjournment to a Later Date – (Leader of the House) – Motion made, and Question put – Resolved, "That, at its rising today, Parliament do stand adjourned to a date to be fixed."
- 14 Adjournment – (Leader of the House) – Motion made, and Question proposed, "That Parliament do now adjourn."; Debate arising.
- On Question put – Resolved, "That Parliament do now adjourn."

Adjourned at 5.58 pm

HALIMAH YACOB,  
*Speaker*

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**MEMORANDUM**

Parliament stands adjourned to a date to be fixed.

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