

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE TWELFTH PARLIAMENT OF SINGAPORE

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## First Session

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MONDAY, 14 APRIL 2014

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**1.30 pm**

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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), Minister for Social and Family Development and Second Minister for Defence.

Mr CHEN SHOW MAO (Aljunied).

Dr CHIA SHI-LU (Tanjong Pagar).

Mr CHARLES CHONG (Joo Chiat), Deputy Speaker.

Mr CHRISTOPHER DE SOUZA (Holland-Bukit Timah).

Ms FAIZAH JAMAL (Nominated Member).

Mr NICHOLAS FANG (Nominated Member).

Assoc Prof FATIMAH LATEEF (Marine Parade).

Mr CEDRIC FOO CHEE KENG (Pioneer).

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 GOH CHOK TONG (Marine Parade).

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 HENG SWEE KEAT (Tampines), Minister for Education.

Mr HRI KUMAR NAIR (Bishan-Toa Payoh).

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), Senior 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.

Mr DESMOND LEE TI-SENG (Jurong), Minister of State, Ministry of National Development.

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).

Mr LIM BIOW CHUAN (Mountbatten).

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), Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Social and Family Development.

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

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), Minister of State, Ministry of Defence and Ministry of 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).

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.

Mr SENG HAN THONG (Ang Mo Kio).

Ms SIM ANN (Holland-Bukit Timah), Minister of State, Ministry of Education and Ministry of Communications and Information.

Mr SITOY 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.

Mr TAN CHUAN-JIN (Marine Parade), Acting Minister for Manpower.

Assoc Prof TAN KHENG BOON EUGENE (Nominated Member).

Ms JESSICA TAN SOON NEO (East Coast).

Ms TAN SU SHAN (Nominated Member).

Mr PATRICK TAY TECK GUAN (Nee Soon).

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), Senior 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 TEO SIONG SENG (Nominated Member).

Ms TIN PEI LING (Marine Parade).

Mr EDWIN TONG CHUN FAI (Moulmein-Kallang).

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.

Mr YEE JENN JONG (Non-Constituency Member).

Mr ALVIN YEO (Chua Chu Kang).

Mr ZAINAL SAPARI (Pasir Ris-Punggol).

Mr ZAINUDIN NORDIN (Bishan-Toa Payoh).

Mr ZAQY MOHAMAD (Chua Chu Kang).

ABSENT:

Mrs LINA CHIAM (Non-Constituency Member).

Mr ARTHUR FONG (West Coast).

Ms FOO MEE HAR (West Coast).

Mr INDERJIT SINGH (Ang Mo Kio).

Mr LEE KUAN YEW (Tanjong Pagar).

Ms LEE LI LIAN (Punggol East).

Ms MARY LIEW (Nominated Member).

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

Mr MAH BOW TAN (Tampines).

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

Ms IRENE NG PHEK HOONG (Tampines).

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

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

Mr VIKRAM NAIR (Sembawang).

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 YEO GUAT KWANG (Ang Mo Kio).

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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 Advice of the Council of the Presidential Advisers on the Appointment of Chief Valuer Under the State Lands Act – Presented on 14 March 2014 (S. 12 of 2014).
  - 1.2 Goods and Services Tax (Board of Review) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 – Presented on 17 March 2014 (S. L. 63 of 2014).
  - 1.3 Advice of the Council of the Presidential Advisers on the Covering Duties of the Director of Corrupt Practices Investigation Bureau (CPIB) – Presented on 18 March 2014 (S. 13 of 2014).
  - 1.4 Advice of the Council of Presidential Advisers on the Supply Bill FY 2014 and Supplementary Supply (FY 2013) Bill – Presented on 19 March 2014 (S. 14 of 2014).
  - 1.5 Customs (Customs Ticket Notices) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 – Presented on 19 March 2014 (S. L. 64 of 2014).
  - 1.6 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Plant Varieties Protection (Amendment) Bill [Bill No 9/2014] – Presented on 20 March 2014 (Pres. Co. 14 of 2014).
  - 1.7 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Protection from Harassment Bill [Bill No 12/2014] – Presented on 20 March 2014 (Pres. Co. 15 of 2014).
  - 1.8 Central Provident Fund (Private Medical Insurance Scheme) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 – Presented on 20 March 2014 (S. L. 65 of 2014).
  - 1.9 Central Provident Fund (MediShield Scheme) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 – Presented on 20 March 2014 (S. L. 66 of 2014).
  - 1.10 Planning (Fees) (Amendment) Rules 2014 – Presented on 21 March 2014 (S. L. 67 of 2014).
  - 1.11 Planning (Development Charges) (Amendment) Rules 2014 – Presented on 21 March 2014 (S. L. 68 of 2014).
  - 1.12 Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences) (Amendment) Rules 2014 – Presented on 21 March 2014 (S. L. 69 of 2014).
  - 1.13 Corrigendum to Potong Pasir Town Council's Audited Financial Statements, Auditor's Report and Annual Report for FY2012/2013 – Presented on 24 March 2014 (S. 15 of 2014).
  - 1.14 Legal Aid and Advice (Amendment) Regulations 2014 – Presented on 24 March 2014 (S. L. 70 of 2014).

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- 1.15 Legal Profession (Pro Bono Legal Services) (Amendment) Rules 2014 – Presented on 24 March 2014 (S. L. 71 of 2014).
  - 1.16 Central Provident Fund (MediShield Scheme) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 – Presented on 24 March 2014 (S. L. 72 of 2014).
  - 1.17 Central Provident Fund (Private Medical Insurance Scheme) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 – Presented on 24 March 2014 (S. L. 73 of 2014).
  - 1.18 Dangerous Fireworks Act (Chapter 72, Revised Edition 2014) – Presented on 25 March 2014 (S. 16 of 2014).
  - 1.19 Defamation Act (Chapter 75, Revised Edition 2014) – Presented on 25 March 2014 (S. 17 of 2014).
  - 1.20 Explosive Substances Act (Chapter 100, Revised Edition 2014) – Presented on 25 March 2014 (S. 18 of 2014).
  - 1.21 Foreign Recruiting Act (Chapter 112, Revised Edition 2014) – Presented on 25 March 2014 (S. 19 of 2014).
  - 1.22 National Cadet Corps Act (Chapter 194, Revised Edition 2014) – Presented on 25 March 2014 (S. 20 of 2014).
  - 1.23 Parking Places Act (Chapter 214, Revised Edition 2014) – Presented on 25 March 2014 (S. 21 of 2014).
  - 1.24 Societies Act (Chapter 311, Revised Edition 2014) – Presented on 25 March 2014 (S. 22 of 2014).
  - 1.25 Goods and Services Tax Act (Amendment of Fifth Schedule) Order 2014 – Presented on 26 March 2014 (S. L. 74 of 2014).
  - 1.26 Fees (Private Lotteries) (Amendment) Order 2014 – Presented on 26 March 2014 (S. L. 75 of 2014).
  - 1.27 Fees (Subordinate Courts – Criminal Jurisdiction, Protection of Family and Maintenance of Wife and Children) (Amendment) Order 2014 – Presented on 27 March 2014 (S. L. 76 of 2014).
  - 1.28 Third Report of the Public Accounts Committee – Presented on 31 March 2014 (Parl. 2 of 2014).
  - 1.29 Environmental Protection and Management (Vehicular Emissions) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 – Presented on 31 March 2014 (S. L. 77 of 2014).
  - 1.30 Public Order (Prohibited Areas) (Amendment) Order 2014 – Presented on 31 March 2014 (S. L. 78 of 2014).

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- 1.31 Road Traffic (Prescribed Offences and Prescribed Notices) (Amendment) Rules 2014 – Presented on 31 March 2014 (S. L. 79 of 2014).
  - 1.32 Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Construction and Use) (Amendment) Rules 2014 – Presented on 1 April 2014 (S. L. 80 of 2014).
  - 1.33 Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Registration and Licensing) (Amendment) Rules 2014 – Presented on 1 April 2014 (S. L. 81 of 2014).
  - 1.34 Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Quota System) (Amendment No. 2) Rules 2014 – Presented on 1 April 2014 (S. L. 82 of 2014).
  - 1.35 Environmental Public Health (General Cleaning Industry) Regulations 2014 – Presented on 4 April 2014 (S. L. 83 of 2014).
  - 1.36 Environmental Public Health (Exemption) Regulations 2014 – Presented on 4 April 2014 (S. L. 84 of 2014).
  - 1.37 Probation of Offenders (Amendment) Rules 2014 – Presented on 7 April 2014 (S. L. 85 of 2014).
  - 1.38 Women's Charter (Garnishee Proceedings) (Amendment) Rules 2014 – Presented on 7 April 2014 (S. L. 86 of 2014).
  - 1.39 Public Order (Preservation) (Little India) (No. 10) Proclamation 2014 – Presented on 9 April 2014 (S. L. 87 of 2014).
  - 1.40 Public Order (Preservation) (Little India) (No. 11) Proclamation 2014 – Presented on 9 April 2014 (S. L. 88 of 2014).
  - 1.41 Public Order (Preservation) (Little India) (No. 12) Proclamation 2014 – Presented on 9 April 2014 (S. L. 89 of 2014).
  - 1.42 Public Order (Preservation) (Little India) (No. 13) Proclamation 2014 – Presented on 9 April 2014 (S. L. 90 of 2014).
  - 1.43 Advice of the Council of the Presidential Advisers on the Re-Appointment of Judge of Appeal – Presented on 10 April 2014 (S. 23 of 2014).
  - 1.44 Advice of the Council of the Presidential Advisers on the Appointment of Judicial Commissioner – Presented on 10 April 2014 (S. 24 of 2014).
  - 1.45 External Loans Act (Chapter 102, Revised Edition 2014) – Presented on 10 April 2014 (S. 25 of 2014).
  - 1.46 Income Tax Act (Chapter 134, Revised Edition 2014) – Presented on 10 April 2014 (S. 26 of 2014).
  - 1.47 Revised Edition of the Laws (Public Transport Council Act) (Rectification) Order 2014 – Presented on 10 April 2014 (S. L. 91 of 2014).

- 1.48 Amusement Rides Safety (Amendment) Regulations 2014 – Presented on 11 April 2014 (S. L. 92 of 2014).
- 1.49 Advice of the Council of the Presidential Advisers on the Re-Appointment of Directors to the Board of GIC Private Limited (GIC) – Presented on 14 April 2014 (S. 27 of 2014).
- 2 Suspension of Standing Orders – (Government Whip) – (with the consent of Mdm Speaker and the general assent of Members present) – Motion made, and Question put – Resolved, "That, notwithstanding Standing Order No 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 36 Questions for Oral Answer were answered during Question Time.
- 4 Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority (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 – (Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Finance).

*(In the Committee)*

Clauses 1 to 15 inclusive agreed to.

The Schedule agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, without amendment; read a third time.

- 5 Geographical Indications 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 – (Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Law).

*(In the Committee)*

Clauses 1 to 90 inclusive agreed to.

The Schedule agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, without amendment; read a third time.

- 6      Adjournment – (Government Whip) – Resolved, "That Parliament do now adjourn to a date to be fixed."

Adjourned at 5.14 pm

HALIMAH YACOB,  
*Speaker*

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**MEMORANDUM**

Parliament stands adjourned to a date to be fixed.

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