VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE TWELFTH PARLIAMENT OF SINGAPORE

Second Session

MONDAY, 17 AUGUST 2015

No. 40 **1.30 pm** 323

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, Prime Minister's Office.

Mr CHEN SHOW MAO (Aljunied).

Dr CHIA SHI-LU (Tanjong Pagar).

Mrs LINA CHIAM (Non-Constituency Member).

Mr CHARLES CHONG (Joo Chiat), Deputy Speaker.

Mr THOMAS CHUA KEE SENG (Nominated Member).

Mr CHRISTOPHER DE SOUZA (Holland-Bukit Timah).

Assoc Prof FATIMAH LATEEF (Marine Parade).

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 GOH CHOK TONG (Marine Parade).

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

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 K KARTHIKEYAN (Nominated Member).

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 KUIK SHIAO-YIN (Nominated Member).

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

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 (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 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 for Manpower.

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 and Minister for Culture, Community and Youth.

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

Mr MAH BOW TAN (Tampines).

Dr MOHAMAD MALIKI BIN OSMAN (East Coast), Minister of State, Ministry of Defence and Ministry of National Development.

Mr MOHD ISMAIL HUSSEIN (Nominated Member).

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 SEAH KIAN PENG (Marine Parade), Deputy Speaker.

Mr SENG HAN THONG (Ang Mo Kio).

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

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

Mr SITOH YIH PIN (Potong Pasir).

Ms RITA SOH SIOW LAN (Nominated Member).

Dr BENEDICT TAN (Nominated Member).

Mr SAM TAN CHIN SIONG (Radin Mas), Minister of State, Prime Minister's Office and Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth.

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

Assoc Prof RANDOLPH TAN (Nominated Member).

Ms JESSICA TAN SOON NEO (East Coast).

Prof TAN TAI YONG (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 THARMAN SHANMUGARATNAM (Jurong), Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance.

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), Minister for Culture, Community and Youth and Second Minister for 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).

Mr ZAQY MOHAMAD (Chua Chu Kang).

ABSENT:

Ms CHIA YONG YONG (Nominated Member).

Mr MASAGOS ZULKIFLI B M M (Tampines), Minister, Prime Minister's Office, Second Minister for Home Affairs and Second Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Ms TIN PEI LING (Marine Parade).

- 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 Presidential Advisers on the Re-Appointment and Appointment of Members to the Presidential Council for Minority Rights (PCMR) – Presented on 16 July 2015 (S. 42 of 2015).
 - 1.2 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Constitution of the Republic of Singapore (Amendment) Bill [Bill No 17/2015] – Presented on 22 July 2015 (Pres. Co. 16 of 2015).
 - 1.3 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Financial Advisers (Amendment) Bill [Bill No 15/2015] Presented on 22 July 2015 (Pres. Co. 17 of 2015).
 - 1.4 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Insurance (Amendment) Bill [Bill No 16/2015] Presented on 22 July 2015 (Pres. Co. 18 of 2015).
 - 1.5 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Bankruptcy (Amendment) Bill [Bill No 18/2015] Presented on 22 July 2015 (Pres. Co. 19 of 2015).
 - 1.6 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Maritime Offences (Amendment) Bill [Bill No 19/2015] Presented on 22 July 2015 (Pres. Co. 20 of 2015).
 - 1.7 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Institute of Southeast Asian Studies (Amendment) Bill [Bill No 20/2015] – Presented on 22 July 2015 (Pres. Co. 21 of 2015).
 - 1.8 Customs (Amendment) Regulations 2015 Presented on 23 July 2015 (S. L. 122 of 2015).
 - 1.9 Goods and Services Tax (Application of Legislation Relating to Customs and Excise Duties) (Amendment) Order 2015 – Presented on 23 July 2015 (S. L. 123 of 2015).
 - 1.10 The Report of the Electoral Boundaries Review Committee, 2015 Presented on 24 July 2015 (Cmd. 7 of 2015).
 - Financial Statements for the Financial Year 2014/2015 Presented on 27 July 2015 (Cmd. 8 of 2015).
 - 1.12 Legal Service Commission Annual Report 2014 Presented on 31 July 2015 (S. 43 of 2015).
 - 1.13 Advice of the Council of Presidential Advisers on the Change of Chief of Defence Force and Chief of Army Presented on 3 August 2015 (S. 44 of 2015).

- 1.14 Housing and Development Board Audited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2015 – Presented on 4 August 2015 (S. 45 of 2015).
- 1.15 The Education Endowment and Savings Schemes Annual Report for Financial Year 2014/2015 – Presented on 5 August 2015 (S. 46 of 2015).
- 1.16 Institute of Technical Education Annual Report 2014/2015 Presented on 6 August 2015 (S. 47 of 2015).
- 1.17 Institute of Southeast Asian Studies Annual Report 2014/2015 Presented on 6 August 2015 (S. 48 of 2015).
- 1.18 Public Order (Unrestricted Area) (Amendment) Order 2015 Presented on 6 August 2015 (S. L. 124 of 2015).
- Ngee Ann Polytechnic Annual Report 2014/2015 Presented on 12 August 2015 (S. 49 of 2015).
- 1.20 Temasek Polytechnic Annual Report 2014/2015 Presented on 12 August 2015 (S. 50 of 2015).
- 1.21 Land Transport Authority of Singapore and its Subsidiaries: Financial Statements for Financial Year ended 31 March 2015 Presented on 13 August 2015 (S. 51 of 2015).
- 1.22 Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Quota System) (Amendment) Rules 2015 Presented on 13 August 2015 (S. L. 125 of 2015).
- 1.23 Housing and Development (Financial Penalties) Rules 2015 Presented on 13 August 2015 (S. L. 126 of 2015).
- 1.24 Science Centre Singapore Annual Report 2014/2015 Presented on 14 August 2015 (S. 52 of 2015).
- 1.25 Savings and Employee Retirement and Premium Fund (SAVER-Premium Fund) Annual Report for Financial Year 2014 – Presented on 14 August 2015 (S. 53 of 2015).
- 1.26 Singapore Examinations and Assessment Board Annual Report 2014/2015 Presented on 14 August 2015 (S. 54 of 2015).
- 1.27 Council for Private Education Annual Report 2014/2015 Presented on 14 August 2015 (S. 55 of 2015).
- 1.28 Singapore Polytechnic Annual Report 2014/2015 Presented on 17 August 2015 (S. 56 of 2015).
- 2 11 Questions for Oral Answer were answered during Question Time.

3 Organised Crime 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 – (Second Minister for Home Affairs).

(In the Committee)

Clauses 1 to 84 inclusive agreed to.

The Schedule agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, without amendment; read a third time.

4 Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank 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 9 inclusive agreed to.

The Schedule agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, without amendment; read a third time.

5 Employment (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 - (Minister for Manpower).

(In the Committee)

Clauses 1 to 19 inclusive agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, without amendment; read a third time.

6 Silver Support Scheme 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.

- Human Biomedical Research Bill (Minister of State, Ministry of Health) Motion made, "That the Bill be now read a second time.".
- 8 Adjournment of Debate (Deputy Leader of the House) Motion made, and Question put Resolved, "That the debate be now adjourned.".

Debate to be resumed Tomorrow.

9 Adjournment – (Deputy 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 7.14 pm

HALIMAH YACOB, Speaker

MEMORANDUM

Mdm Speaker will take the Chair again at 1.30 pm on Tuesday, 18 August 2015.