

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

First Session

MONDAY, 20 FEBRUARY 2017

No. 34

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

Miss CHERYL CHAN WEI LING (Fengshan).

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 GAN THIAM POH (Ang Mo Kio).

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.

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

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.

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

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).

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

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).

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

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 ONG YE KUNG (Sembawang), Minister for Education (Higher Education and Skills) and Second Minister for Defence.

Ms JOAN PEREIRA (Tanjong Pagar).

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 XUE LING (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 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 VIKRAM NAIR (Sembawang).

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:

Mr AZMOON AHMAD (Nominated Member).

Mr GANESH RAJARAM (Nominated Member).

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

Mr NG CHEE MENG (Pasir Ris-Punggol), Minister for Education (Schools) and Second Minister for Transport.

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

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

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 Income Tax (Exemption of Income of RASCE) (Revocation) Rules 2016 – Presented on 9 February 2017 (S. L. 244 of 2017).
 - 1.2 Income Tax (Exemption of Income of SICOM) (Revocation) Rules 2016 – Presented on 9 February 2017 (S. L. 245 of 2017).
 - 1.3 Income Tax (Revocation) Rules 2016 – Presented on 9 February 2017 (S. L. 246 of 2017).
 - 1.4 Income Tax (Exemption of Prescribed Amount of Interest Derived by Individuals from Deposits in Standard Savings, Current or Fixed Deposit Accounts) (Revocation) Rules 2016 – Presented on 9 February 2017 (S. L. 247 of 2017).
 - 1.5 Report of the Select Committee on the Kwong-Wai-Shiu Free Hospital (Transfer of Undertaking and Dissolution) Bill [Bill No. 39/2016] – Presented on 15 February 2017 (Parl. 5 of 2017).
 - 1.6 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Presidential Elections (Amendment) Bill [Bill No 2/2017] – Presented on 15 February 2017 (Pres. Co. 33 of 2017).
 - 1.7 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Planning (Amendment) Bill [Bill No 3/2017] – Presented on 15 February 2017 (Pres. Co. 34 of 2017).
 - 1.8 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the International Enterprise Singapore Board (Amendment) Bill [Bill No 1/2017] – Presented on 15 February 2017 (Pres. Co. 35 of 2017).
 - 1.9 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Parks and Trees (Amendment) Bill [Bill No 4/2017] – Presented on 15 February 2017 (Pres. Co. 36 of 2017).
 - 1.10 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Road Traffic (Amendment) Bill [Bill No 5/2017] – Presented on 15 February 2017 (Pres. Co. 37 of 2017).
 - 1.11 Advice of the Council of Presidential Advisers on the Appointment of Judge of Appeal and Judges of the High Court – Presented on 17 February 2017 (S. 202 of 2017).
 - 1.12 Environmental Protection and Management (Vehicular Emissions) (Amendment) Regulations 2017 – Presented on 17 February 2017 (S. L. 248 of 2017).

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- 1.13 Statement of the Minister for Finance [Under Article 147(4)(a) of the Constitution] – Presented on 20 February 2017 (Misc. 6 of 2017).
 - 1.14 The Revenue and Expenditure Estimates for the Financial Year 2017/2018 – Presented on 20 February 2017 (Cmd. 8 of 2017).
 - 1.15 Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for the Financial Year 1st April 2016 to 31st March 2017 – Presented on 20 February 2017 (Cmd. 9 of 2017).
- 2 17 Questions for Oral Answer were answered during Question Time.
 - 3 Standing Orders Committee – (Leader of the House) – Motion made, and Question put – Resolved, "That the Standing Orders Committee appointed under paragraph 4(a) of Standing Order No. 100 do consider and report on such amendments to the Standing Orders of Parliament which the Committee may deem necessary."
 - 4 Budget Statement – (Minister for Finance) – Motion made, and Question proposed, "That Parliament approves the financial policy of the Government for the financial year 1st April 2017 to 31st March 2018."; Debate stood adjourned under Standing Order 89(1); to be resumed on Tuesday, 28 February 2017.
 - 5 Adjournment – (Leader of the House) – Resolved, "That Parliament do now adjourn to Tuesday, 28 February 2017."

Adjourned at 4.54 pm

HALIMAH YACOB,
Speaker

MEMORANDUM

Mdm Speaker will take the Chair again at 12 noon on Tuesday, 28 February 2017.
