

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

Second Session

MONDAY, 3 NOVEMBER 2014

No. 16

1.30 pm

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PRESENT:

Mdm SPEAKER (Mdm HALIMAH YACOB (Jurong)).

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).

Ms CHIA YONG YONG (Nominated Member).

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 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 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.

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.

Mr LEE KUAN YEW (Tanjong Pagar).

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 BIEW CHUAN (Mountbatten).

Mr RAYMOND LIM SIANG KEAT (East Coast).

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.

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), 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 SITOY YIH PIN (Potong Pasir).

Ms RITA SOH SIOW LAN (Nominated Member).

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

Assoc Prof RANDOLPH TAN (Nominated Member).

Ms JESSICA TAN SOON NEO (East Coast).

Prof TAN TAI YONG (Nominated Member).

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.

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 LAWRENCE WONG (West Coast), Minister for Culture, Community and Youth and Second Minister for Communications and Information.

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 ZAQY MOHAMAD (Chua Chu Kang).

ABSENT:

Mr ANG HIN KEE (Ang Mo Kio).

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

Mr K KARTHIKEYAN (Nominated Member).

Ms KUIK SHIAO-YIN (Nominated Member).

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

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

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 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.

Mr WONG KAN SENG (Bishan-Toa Payoh).

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

Mr ZAINUDIN NORDIN (Bishan-Toa Payoh).

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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 A* Star Annual Report 2013/14 – Presented on 9 October 2014 (S. 156 of 2014).
 - 1.2 Advice of the Council of the Presidential Advisers on the Covering Duties of the Director of Corrupt Practices Investigation Bureau (CPIB) – Presented on 10 October 2014 (S. 157 of 2014).
 - 1.3 Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Registration and Licensing) (Amendment No. 2) Rules 2014 – Presented on 14 October 2014 (S. L. 158 of 2014).
 - 1.4 Road Traffic (Collection of Toll at Woodlands and Tuas Checkpoints) (Amendment) Rules 2014 – Presented on 14 October 2014 (S. L. 159 of 2014).
 - 1.5 United Nations (Sanctions – Iran) Regulations 2014 – Presented on 15 October 2014 (S. L. 160 of 2014).
 - 1.6 Legal Profession (Pro Bono Legal Services) (Amendment No. 2) Rules 2014 – Presented on 15 October 2014 (S. L. 161 of 2014).
 - 1.7 Advice of the Council of the Presidential Advisers on the Appointment of Commissioner of Police – Presented on 16 October 2014 (S. 158 of 2014).
 - 1.8 Revised Edition of the Laws (Maintenance Orders (Facilities for Enforcement) Act) (Rectification) Order 2014 – Presented on 20 October 2014 (S. L. 162 of 2014).
 - 1.9 Central Provident Fund (Dependants' Protection Insurance Scheme) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 – Presented on 23 October 2014 (S. L. 163 of 2014).
 - 1.10 Legal Profession (Admission) (Amendment No. 2) Rules 2014 – Presented on 28 October 2014 (S. L. 164 of 2014).
 - 1.11 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Remote Gambling Bill [Bill No 23/2014 (Amended)] – Presented on 29 October 2014 (Pres. Co. 27 of 2014).
 - 1.12 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Statutes (Miscellaneous Amendments) (No. 2) Bill [Bill No 24/2014] – Presented on 29 October 2014 (Pres. Co. 28 of 2014).
 - 1.13 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Companies (Amendment) Bill [Bill No 25/2014 (Amended)] – Presented on 29 October 2014 (Pres. Co. 29 of 2014).

- 1.14 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Business Names Registration Bill [Bill No 26/2014] – Presented on 29 October 2014 (Pres. Co. 30 of 2014).
 - 1.15 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Public Entertainments and Meetings (Amendment) Bill [Bill No 29/2014] – Presented on 29 October 2014 (Pres. Co. 31 of 2014).
 - 1.16 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Education Endowment and Savings Schemes (Amendment) Bill [Bill No 30/2014] – Presented on 29 October 2014 (Pres. Co. 32 of 2014).
 - 1.17 Medical Endowment Scheme Annual Report 2013/2014 – Presented on 29 October 2014 (S. 159 of 2014).
 - 1.18 Rules of Court (Amendment No. 3) Rules 2014 – Presented on 29 October 2014 (S. L. 165 of 2014).
 - 1.19 Supreme Court (Maintenance Orders) (Amendment No. 2) Rules 2014 – Presented on 29 October 2014 (S. L. 166 of 2014).
 - 1.20 Advice of the Council of Presidential Advisers on the Appointment to the Board of Monetary Authority of Singapore – Presented on 30 October 2014 (S. 160 of 2014).
- 2 14 Questions for Oral Answer were answered during Question Time.
- 3 Industrial Relations (Amendment) Bill – "to amend the Industrial Relations Act (Chapter 136 of 2004 Revised Edition) and to make related amendments to the Retirement and Re-employment Act (Chapter 274A of the 2012 Revised Edition) and the Trade Unions Act (Chapter 333 of the 2004 Revised Edition)" – presented by the Minister for Manpower; read the first time; to be read a second time on the next available sitting day and to be printed. [Bill No. 41/2014].
- 4 Rearrangement of Business – (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 26(2), the proceedings on items 9 and 10 of the Orders of the Day on the Order Paper for today be taken immediately after item 3."
- 5 Pioneer Generation Fund 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 and 2 agreed to.

Clause 3:

With the consent of Mdm Speaker and the general assent of Members present, amendment proposed, in page 6, lines 12 and 13, by leaving out the words "them who are now elderly and are or may be in need of" and inserting the word "Pioneers". – (Ms Chia Yong Yong).

Amendment negatived.

Clause 3 agreed to.

Clauses 4 to 28 inclusive agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, without amendment; read a third time.

- 6 Income Tax (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 73 inclusive agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, without amendment; read a third time.

- 7 Public Trustee (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 Law).

(In the Committee)

Clauses 1 to 19 inclusive agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, without amendment; read a third time.

- 8 Prevention of Human Trafficking Bill – (Mr Christopher de Souza, Member for Holland-Bukit Timah) – Motion made, and Question proposed, "That the Bill be now read a second time."; Debate arising.
- 9 Exempted Business – (Government Whip) – Motion made, and Question put – Resolved, "That the proceedings on the business set down on the Order Paper for today be exempted at this day's sitting from the provisions of Standing Order No. 2."
- 10 Prevention of Human Trafficking Bill – Debate resumed on Question, "That the Bill be now read a second time." – (Mr Christopher de Souza, Member for Holland-Bukit Timah).
- Question put and agreed to. 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 – (Mr Christopher de Souza, Member for Holland-Bukit Timah).
- (In the Committee)*
- Clauses 1 to 25 inclusive agreed to.
- Bill to be reported.
- Bill reported, without amendment; read a third time.
- 11 Adjournment – (Government Whip) – Motion made, and Question proposed, "That Parliament do now adjourn."; Debate arising.
- On Question put – Resolved, "That Parliament do now adjourn."

Adjourned at 8.06 pm

HALIMAH YACOB,
Speaker

MEMORANDUM

Mdm Speaker will take the Chair again at 1.30 pm on Tuesday, 4 November 2014.
