

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

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**Second Session**

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MONDAY, 4 AUGUST 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).

Mrs LINA CHIAM (Non-Constituency Member).

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 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 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), 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 LAURENCE LIEN (Nominated Member).

Ms MARY LIEW (Nominated Member).

Mr LIM BIOW CHUAN (Mountbatten).

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

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 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 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 R DHINAKARAN (Nominated Member).

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 SITO H YIH PIN (Potong Pasir).

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 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).

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:

Mr LEE KUAN YEOW (Tanjong Pagar).

Ms TIN PEI LING (Marine Parade).

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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 Fees (Police Services) Order 2014 – Presented on 11 July 2014 (S. L. 121 of 2014).
  - 1.2 Report of the Auditor-General for the Financial Year 2013/14 – Presented on 15 July 2014 (Cmd. 6 of 2014).
  - 1.3 Public Order (Additional Temporary Measures) (Composition of Offences) Regulations 2014 – Presented on 15 July 2014 (S. L. 122 of 2014).
  - 1.4 Central Provident Fund (Medisave Account Withdrawals) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 – Presented on 15 July 2014 (S. L. 123 of 2014).
  - 1.5 Central Provident Fund (New Minimum Sum Scheme) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 2014 – Presented on 15 July 2014 (S. L. 124 of 2014).
  - 1.6 Central Provident Fund (Prescribed Amount for Medisave Account) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 – Presented on 15 July 2014 (S. L. 125 of 2014).
  - 1.7 Central Provident Fund (Topping-Up of Special Account) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 – Presented on 15 July 2014 (S. L. 126 of 2014).
  - 1.8 Central Provident Fund (Minimum Sum Scheme) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 – Presented on 15 July 2014 (S. L. 127 of 2014).
  - 1.9 Central Provident Fund (Minimum Sum Topping-Up Scheme) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 – Presented on 15 July 2014 (S. L. 128 of 2014).
  - 1.10 Central Provident Fund (New Minimum Sum Scheme) (Amendment No. 3) Regulations 2014 – Presented on 15 July 2014 (S. L. 129 of 2014).
  - 1.11 Central Provident Fund (Revised Minimum Sum Scheme) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 2014 – Presented on 15 July 2014 (S. L. 130 of 2014).
  - 1.12 Road Traffic (International Circulation) (Amendment) Rules 2014 – Presented on 15 July 2014 (S. L. 131 of 2014).
  - 1.13 Financial Statements for the Financial Year 2013/2014 – Presented on 17 July 2014 (Cmd. 7 of 2014).
  - 1.14 MAS Annual Report 2013/2014 – Presented on 17 July 2014 (S. 63 of 2014).
  - 1.15 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Radiation Protection (Amendment) Bill [Bill No 14/2014] – Presented on 23 July 2014 (Pres. Co. 18 of 2014).

- 1.16 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Corruption, Drug Trafficking and Other Serious Crimes (Confiscation of Benefits) (Amendment) Bill [Bill No 15/2014] – Presented on 23 July 2014 (Pres. Co. 19 of 2014).
- 1.17 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Copyright (Amendment) Bill [Bill No 16/2014] – Presented on 23 July 2014 (Pres. Co. 20 of 2014).
- 1.18 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters (Amendment) Bill [Bill No 17/2014] – Presented on 23 July 2014 (Pres. Co. 21 of 2014).
- 1.19 The Education Endowment and Savings Schemes Annual Report for Financial Year 2013/2014 – Presented on 24 July 2014 (S. 64 of 2014).
- 1.20 Prisons (Amendment) Regulations 2014 – Presented on 24 July 2014 (S. L. 132 of 2014).
- 1.21 Prisons (Advisory Committees) Regulations 2014 – Presented on 24 July 2014 (S. L. 133 of 2014).
- 1.22 Prisons (Employment) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 – Presented on 24 July 2014 (S. L. 134 of 2014).
- 1.23 Advice of the Council of Presidential Advisers on the Re-Appointment and Appointment of Members to the Central Provident Fund Board – Presented on 30 July 2014 (S. 65 of 2014).
- 1.24 Singapore Armed Forces (Urine Specimens and Urine Tests) Regulations 2014 – Presented on 31 July 2014 (S. L. 135 of 2014).
- 1.25 Advice of the Council of Presidential Advisers on the Extension of Appointment of Judicial Commissioner – Presented on 1 August 2014 (S. 66 of 2014).
- 1.26 Advice of the Council of Presidential Advisers on the Appointment of Director to the Board of GIC Private Limited (GIC Board) – Presented on 1 August 2014 (S. 67 of 2014).
- 1.27 Customs (Liquors Licensing) (Exemption for Suvai 2014) Order 2014 – Presented on 1 August 2014 (S. L. 136 of 2014).
- 1.28 Debtors Act (Chapter 73, Revised Edition 2014) – Presented on 4 August 2014 (S. 68 of 2014).
- 1.29 Entertainments Duty Act (Chapter 94, Revised Edition 2014) – Presented on 4 August 2014 (S. 69 of 2014).
- 1.30 Indecent Advertisements Act (Chapter 135, Revised Edition 2014) – Presented on 4 August 2014 (S. 70 of 2014).

- 2 19 Questions for Oral Answer were answered during Question Time.
- 3 Road Traffic (Amendment) Bill – "to amend the Road Traffic Act (Chapter 276 of the 2004 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. 22/2014].
- 4 Family Justice 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 Law).

*(In the Committee)*

Clauses 1 to 25 inclusive agreed to.

Clause 26:

Amendment made in page 20, by leaving out from "with" in line 9 to the end line of 11 and inserting –

"the following modifications:

- (i) except as provided in sub-paragraph (iii), any reference to a District Court or a State Court shall be read as a reference to a Family Court;
- (ii) any reference to a District Judge shall be read as a reference to a judge of a Family Court;
- (iii) any reference to the Registrar of the State Courts shall be read as a reference to the Registrar." – (Minister for Law).

Clause 26, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 27 to 34 inclusive agreed to.

Clause 35:

Amendment made in page 24, by leaving out from "the" in line 1 to the end of line 3 and inserting –

"following modifications:

- (i) except as provided in sub-paragraph (iii), any reference to a District Court or a State Court shall be read as a reference to a Youth Court;
- (ii) any reference to a District Judge shall be read as a reference to a judge of a Youth Court;
- (iii) any reference to the Registrar of the State Courts shall be read as a reference to the Registrar." – (Minister for Law).

Clause 35, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 36 to 45 inclusive agreed to.



Clause 46:

Amendment made in page 32, after line 23 by inserting –

"(8) Prior to the enactment of Family Justice Rules on any matter which may be dealt with under those Rules, the Rules Committee constituted under section 80(3) of the Supreme Court of Judicature Act (Cap. 322) may make Rules of Court for dealing with that matter." – (Minister for Law).

Clause 46, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 47 to 76 inclusive agreed to.

The Schedule agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, with amendments; read a third time.

- 5 Transboundary Haze Pollution Bill – (Minister for the Environment and Water Resources) – Motion made, and Question proposed, "That the Bill be now read a second time"; Debate arising.
- 6 Adjournment of Debate – (Leader of the House) – Motion made, and Question put – Resolved, "That the debate be now adjourned."  
Debate to be resumed Tomorrow.
- 7 Adjournment – (Leader of the House) – Resolved, "That Parliament do now adjourn."

Adjourned at 6.00 pm

HALIMAH YACOB,  
*Speaker*

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#### MEMORANDUM

Mdm Speaker will take the Chair again at 1.30 pm on Tuesday, 5 August 2014.

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