VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE TWELFTH PARLIAMENT OF SINGAPORE

Second Session

MONDAY, 7 JULY 2014

No. 7 **1.30 pm** 39

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).

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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).

Er Dr LEE BEE WAH (Nee Soon).

Ms ELLEN LEE (Sembawang).

Mr LEE HSIEN LOONG (Ang Mo Kio), Prime Minister.

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

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 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 SITOH 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 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.

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 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 ZAQY MOHAMAD (Chua Chu Kang).

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ABSENT:

Mr LEE KUAN YEW (Tanjong Pagar).

Ms LEE LI LIAN (Punggol East).

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

Mr RAYMOND LIM SIANG KEAT (East Coast).

Mr SEAH KIAN PENG (Marine Parade), Deputy Speaker.

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

Ms JESSICA TAN SOON NEO (East Coast).

Mr ZAINUDIN NORDIN (Bishan-Toa Payoh).

- 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 Central Provident Fund Board Annual Report 2013 Presented on 6 June 2014 (S. 43 of 2014).
 - 1.2 Customs (Duties) (Amendment No. 3) Order 2014 Presented on 6 June 2014 (S. L. 112 of 2014).
 - 1.3 Elderly Care Endowment Scheme Annual Report 2013/2014 Presented on 9 June 2014 (S. 44 of 2014).
 - 1.4 The Connect Fund Report and Financial Statements for Year 2014 Presented on 9 June 2014 (S. 45 of 2014).
 - 1.5 Annual Report of Singapore Corporation of Rehabilitative Enterprises 2013 Presented on 9 June 2014 (S. 46 of 2014).
 - 1.6 Advice of the Council of the Presidential Advisers on the Appointment of Directors to the Board Temasek Holdings Private Limited – Presented on 9 June 2014 (S. 47 of 2014).
 - 1.7 Advice of the Council of the Presidential Advisers on the Appointment of Director to the Board of Temasek Holdings Private Limited (Temasek) – Presented on 9 June 2014 (S. 48 of 2014).
 - Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore Act (Chapter 41, Revised Edition 2014)
 Presented on 13 June 2014 (S. 49 of 2014).
 - 1.9 Free Trade Zones Act (Chapter 114, Revised Edition 2014) Presented on 13 June 2014 (S. 50 of 2014).
 - 1.10 Energy Conservation Act (Chapter 92C, Revised Edition 2014) Presented on 13 June 2014 (S. 51 of 2014).
 - 1.11 Medical (Therapy, Education and Research) Act (Chapter 175, Revised Edition 2014) Presented on 13 June 2014 (S. 52 of 2014).
 - Minister for Finance (Incorporation) Act (Chapter 183, Revised Edition 2014)
 Presented on 13 June 2014 (S. 53 of 2014).
 - 1.13 Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore Annual Report 2013 Presented on 18 June 2014 (S. 54 of 2014).
 - 1.14 Building Control (Composition of Offences) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 Presented on 19 June 2014 (S. L. 113 of 2014).
 - 1.15 Rules of Court (Amendment No. 2) Rules 2014 Presented on 20 June 2014 (S. L. 114 of 2014).

- 1.16 Singapore Public Service Commission Annual Report 2013 Presented on 24 June 2014 (S. 55 of 2014).
- 1.17 Advice of the Council of Presidential Advisers on the Appointment of Member of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights – Presented on 25 June 2014 (S. 56 of 2014).
- 1.18 Advice of the Council of Presidential Advisers on the Appointment of Member of Legal Service Commission – Presented on 25 June 2014 (S. 57 of 2014).
- 1.19 Annual Report of Majlis Ugama Islam Singapura 2013 Presented on 27 June 2014 (Cmd. 3 of 2014).
- 1.20 Planning (Fees) (Amendment No. 2) Rules 2014 Presented on 27 June 2014 (S. L. 115 of 2014).
- 1.21 White Paper on MediShield Life Review Committee Report Presented on 1 July 2014 (Cmd. 4 of 2014).
- 1.22 Advice of the Council of Presidential Advisers on the Appointment of a Judge of the Supreme Court Presented on 1 July 2014 (S. 58 of 2014).
- 1.23 Report on Registration of Births and Deaths 2013 Presented on 2 July 2014 (Cmd. 5 of 2014).
- 1.24 Savings and Employee Retirement and Premium Fund (SAVER-Premium Fund) Annual Report for Financial Year 2013 – Presented on 3 July 2014 (S. 59 of 2014).
- 1.25 Advice of the Council of Presidential Advisers on the Change of Chief of Navy
 Presented on 3 July 2014 (S. 60 of 2014).
- 1.26 Central Provident Fund (Workfare Income Supplement Scheme) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 – Presented on 4 July 2014 (S. L. 116 of 2014).
- 1.27 Central Provident Fund (Reserved Amount) Regulations 2014 Presented on 4 July 2014 (S. L. 117 of 2014).
- 1.28 Central Provident Fund (Revised Minimum Sum Scheme) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 – Presented on 4 July 2014 (S. L. 118 of 2014).
- 1.29 Central Provident Fund (Topping Up of Medisave Account) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 – Presented on 4 July 2014 (S. L. 119 of 2014).
- 1.30 Central Provident Fund (New Minimum Sum Scheme) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 Presented on 4 July 2014 (S. L. 120 of 2014).
- 1.31 Singapore Labour Foundation Annual Report 2013 Presented on 7 July 2014 (S. 61 of 2014).

2 Announcement by Speaker – Mdm Speaker made the following communication to the House:-

"I have to inform honourable Members that I have on 2 June 2014 communicated to the President the Address of Thanks agreed to by resolution of this Parliament on 30 May 2014."

- 3 27 Questions for Oral Answer were answered during Question Time.
- 4 Ministerial Statement Government's Response to the Report of the Committee of Inquiry into the 8 December 2013 Little India Riot – Security-related Issues – (Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Home Affairs).
- Ministerial Statement Government's Response to the Report of the Committee of Inquiry into the 8 December 2013 Little India Riot – Foreign Manpower Issues – (Minister for Manpower).
- Transboundary Haze Pollution Bill "concerning conduct which causes or contributes to haze pollution in Singapore, and to provide for related matters" presented by the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources; read the first time; to be read a second time on the next available sitting day and to be printed. [Bill No. 18/2014].
- Attorney-General (Additional Functions) Bill "to confer on the Attorney-General certain functions in addition to functions conferred by or under the Constitution of the Republic of Singapore (1999 Reprint) and any other written law, and to make a related amendment to the Legal Profession Act (Chapter 161 of the 2009 Revised Edition)" presented by the Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Law; read the first time; to be read a second time on the next available sitting day and to be printed. [Bill No. 19/2014].
- 8 Land Acquisition (Amendment) Bill "to amend the Land Acquisition Act (Chapter 152 of the 1985 Revised Edition) in relation to the application of the betterment levy, operational improvements, and non-lot acquisitions in strata developments and to make related amendments to the Building Maintenance and Strata Management Act (Chapter 30C of the 2008 Revised Edition)" presented by the Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Law; read the first time; to be read a second time on the next available sitting day and to be printed. [Bill No. 20/2014].
- 9 Radiation Protection (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 the Environment and Water Resources).

(In the Committee)

Clauses 1 to 13 inclusive agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, without amendment; read a third time.

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10 Corruption, Drug Trafficking and Other Serious Crimes (Confiscation of Benefits) (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 – (Second Minister for Home Affairs).

(In the Committee)

Clauses 1 to 23 inclusive agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, without amendment; read a third time.

- Copyright (Amendment) Bill (Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Law) Motion made, and Question proposed, "That the Bill be now read a second time"; Debate arising.
- 12 Extension of Sitting Pursuant to Standing Order 2(5)(d), Mr Deputy Speaker extended the sitting beyond the moment of interruption for a period of up to 30 minutes.
- Copyright (Amendment) Bill Debate resumed on Question, "That the Bill be now read a second time." (Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Law).

Question put, and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, "That Parliament will immediately resolve itself into a Committee on the Bill.". – (Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Law); Debate arising.

 ${\it Adjournment of Debate-(Leader of the House)-Motion made, and Question put-Resolved,} \\ {\it "That the debate be now adjourned."}.$

Debate to be resumed Tomorrow.

15 Adjournment – (Leader of the House) – Resolved, "That Parliament do now adjourn.".

Adjourned at 7.05 pm

HALIMAH YACOB, Speaker

MEMORANDUM

Mdm Speaker will take the Chair again at 1.30 pm on Tuesday, 8 July 2014.