

**FIRST LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
STATE OF SINGAPORE**



FIRST SESSION

ORDER PAPER

WEDNESDAY, 11TH MAY, 1960

No. 28

2.30 p.m.

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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER

- *1. Dato Abdul Hamid bin Haji Jumat: To ask the Prime Minister what were the total tonnages of cargoes handled by the Singapore Harbour Board during the first quarters of 1959 and 1960 respectively.
- *2. Dato Abdul Hamid bin Haji Jumat: To ask the Prime Minister whether agreement has been reached with the Johore Government with regard to water supplied to Singapore, and what was the total sum claimed by the Johore Government in respect of such supply from January, 1954, to March, 1960.
- *3. Dato Abdul Hamid bin Haji Jumat: To ask the Prime Minister under what circumstances will permits be granted for the retention of unauthorised temporary houses, and whether such permits will be granted to unauthorised temporary houses built after 1st June, 1959.
- *4. Dato Abdul Hamid bin Haji Jumat: To ask the Minister for Finance what were the total estimated revenue and the total actual revenue for the first three months of 1960.
- *5. Inche Ahmad Jabri bin Mohammad Akib: To ask the Minister for Labour and Law whether he is aware that the registration of the Singapore Government Workers Union which was registered in 1951 and had 1,659 members has been cancelled; and whether he will consider reversing the cancellation order made by the Registrar.
- *6. Inche Ahmad Jabri bin Mohammad Akib: To ask the Minister for Labour and Law to state the number of trade unions whose applications for registration are pending; for how long have they been pending; whether he is aware of any delay in their registration; and what are the reasons for such delay.
- *7. Mr. Thio Chan Bee: To ask the Minister for Labour and Law to state the number of factories in Singapore which closed down or ceased operations between 1st June, 1959, and 31st March, 1960; the number of persons who, as a result, lost their employment; the number of new factories which have been established and functioning during the same period; and the number of persons who, as a result, secured employment.
- *8. Mr. Thio Chan Bee: To ask the Minister for Labour and Law whether he will consider introducing amending legislation to raise the minimum rate of interest payable on contributions to the Central Provident Fund.
- *9. Inche Ahmad Jabri bin Mohammad Akib: To ask the Minister for Home Affairs to state the number of societies whose applications for registration are pending; for how long have they been pending; whether he is aware of any delay in their registration; and what are the reasons for such delay.

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Introduction of Government Bills

1. Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister:

Control of Rent (Amendment No. 2) Bill.

[The Member in charge proposes, on a Certificate of Urgency under Standing Order 81, to proceed with this Bill throughout all its stages until the Bill has been read the third time.]

2. Deputy Prime Minister:

Merchant Shipping (Amendment No. 2) Bill.

[The Member in charge proposes, on a Certificate of Urgency under Standing Order 81, to proceed with this Bill throughout all its stages until the Bill has been read the third time.]

Business Motions

3. Deputy Prime Minister:

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS: That, notwithstanding the Standing Orders, the second and third readings of the Appropriation (No. 2) (1958) Bill and the First and Second Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for 1960 of the State of Singapore (respectively contained in Papers Cmd. 9 and 10 of 1960) be taken today.

4. Deputy Prime Minister:

SITTING ON 1ST JUNE, 1960: That at its rising at the conclusion of business set down on the Order Papers for the present sittings, this Assembly do adjourn to Wednesday, the 1st of June, 1960, for the election of a Speaker, and that notwithstanding the Standing Orders, the sitting on that day do begin at 4.00 p.m.

ORDERS OF THE DAY AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS

(Those marked ● are Orders of the Day.)

1. ● (A) Appropriation (No. 2) (1958) Bill—Second and Third Readings (Allotted Day.) (Yang di-Pertuan Negara's recommendation to be signified.)

- (B) First Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for 1960 [Cmd. 9 of 1960]—Committee of Supply. (1st Allotted Day.) (Yang di-Pertuan Negara's recommendation to be signified.)

[For Amendments to be moved in the Committee of Supply, see Supplement No. 18.]

Second Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for 1960 [Cmd. 10 of 1960]—Committee of Supply. (1st Allotted Day.) (Yang di-Pertuan Negara's recommendation to be signified.)

- 2. Financial Procedure (Amendment) Bill—Second Reading.†
- 3. Income Tax (Amendment) Bill—Second Reading.†
[For Amendments to the Bill, see Supplement No. 18.]
- 4. Dewan Bahasa dan Kebudayaan Kebangsaan Bill—Second Reading.†
(Yang di-Pertuan Negara's recommendation to be signified.)
- 5. Singapore Citizenship (Amendment) Bill—Second Reading.†
- 6. Betting Bill—Second Reading.† (Yang di-Pertuan Negara's recommendation to be signified.)

[For Amendments to the Bill, see Supplement No. 18.]

- 7. Betting and Sweepstake Duties (Amendment) Bill—Second Reading.†
(*Yang di-Pertuan Negara's recommendation to be signified*).
- 8. Common Gaming Houses (Amendment) Bill—Second Reading.†
- 9. Penal Code (Amendment) Bill—Second Reading.†
[For Amendment to the Bill, see Supplement No. 18.]
- 10. People's Association Bill—Second Reading.
[The Member in charge proposes, on a Certificate of Urgency under Standing Order 81, to proceed with this Bill throughout its remaining stages until the Bill has been read the third time.]
[For Amendments to the Bill, see Supplement No. 18.]
- 11. Trade Unions Bill—Second Reading.†
[For Amendments to the Bill, see Supplement No. 18.]

† The Committee Stage and Third Reading will be moved immediately after the Second Reading.

- 12. Pawnbrokers (Amendment) Bill as reported from Select Committee (Paper L.A. 5 of 1960)—Third Reading.

The Minister for Home Affairs has given notice to recommit the Bill to delete clause 5 thereof and to introduce a new clause therein.

[For Amendments to the Bill on recommittal, see supplement No. 18.]

- 13. Prevention of Corruption Bill as reported from Select Committee (Paper L.A. 8 of 1960)—Third Reading.

- 14. Societies (Amendment) Bill as reported from Select Committee (Paper L.A. 12 of 1960)—Third Reading.

- 15. Muslims (Amendment) Bill as reported from Select Committee (Paper L.A. 14 of 1960)—Third Reading.

- 16. Mutual Benefit Organisations Bill as reported from Select Committee (Paper L.A. 15 of 1960)—Third Reading.

Mr. Thio Chan Bee has given notice to recommit the Bill in respect of clauses 2 and 45 thereof.

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Labour and Law has given notice to recommit the Bill in respect of clause 47 thereof.

[For Amendments to the Bill on recommittal, see Supplement No. 18.]

- 17. Minister for Finance:

EXEMPTIONS FROM INCOME TAX: That this Assembly, pursuant to subsection (1) of section 106 of the Income Tax Ordinance (Chapter 166), resolves that the Federal Land Development Authority and the Local Land Development Boards and Corporations, set up under the Federation Land Development Ordinance of 1956, be added to the First Schedule to the said Ordinance with effect from the first day of January, 1959.

- 18. Prime Minister:

SALARY OF SPEAKER: That this Assembly, pursuant to section 36 of the Singapore (Constitution) Order in Council, 1958, resolves that the salary of the Speaker with effect from 1st June, 1960, shall be \$2,825 a month.

PAPERS PRESENTED

1960		<i>Date ordered to be printed</i>
L.A. 11	Minutes of Proceedings of the House Committee (First Session)—3rd Meeting held on 31st March, 1960	8th April, 1960.
L.A. 12	Report of the Select Committee on the Societies (Amendment) Bill	11th April, 1960.
L.A. 13	Seventh Report of the Committee of Selection (First Session)	14th April, 1960.
L.A. 14	Report of the Select Committee on the Muslims (Amendment) Bill	21st April, 1960.
L.A. 15	Report of the Select Committee on the Mutual Benefit Organisations Bill	25th April, 1960.
		<i>Date presented</i>
Cmd. 5	Report on the Department of Chemistry and Inspectorate of Dangerous and Hazardous Materials, 1958	25th April, 1960.
Cmd. 7	Report of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry 1958	29th April, 1960.
Cmd. 9	First Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for 1960 of the State of Singapore ...	29th April, 1960.
Cmd. 10	Second Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for 1960 of the State of Singapore ...	29th April, 1960.
Cmd. 8	Annual Report of the Department of Public Works 1958	3rd May, 1960.
Cmd. 11	Annual Report of the Botanic Gardens Department for 1958	7th May, 1960.
S.L. 6	Motor Vehicles (Third-Party Risks and Compensation) Rules, 1960	29th April, 1960.
S.L. 7	Notaries Public (Fees) Rules, 1960	29th April, 1960.
S.L. 5	Nurses Registration (Amendment) Regulations, 1960	5th May, 1960.
S. 2	Report on the Singapore Post Office Savings Bank for the year 1958	12th April, 1960.
