

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

First Session

MONDAY, 14 FEBRUARY 2022

No. 47

11.30 am

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PRESENT:

Mr SPEAKER (Mr Tan Chuan-Jin (Marine Parade)).

Ms JANET ANG (Nominated Member).

Mr ANG WEI NENG (West Coast).

Mr BAEY YAM KENG (Tampines), Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Transport.

Mr CHAN CHUN SING (Tanjong Pagar), Minister for Education.

Miss CHERYL CHAN WEI LING (East Coast).

Mr MARK CHAY (Nominated Member).

Mr CHEE HONG TAT (Bishan-Toa Payoh), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Transport.

Mr CHENG HSING YAO (Nominated Member).

Miss CHENG LI HUI (Tampines).

Mr CHONG KEE HIONG (Bishan-Toa Payoh).

Mr DESMOND CHOO (Tampines).

Mr ERIC CHUA (Tanjong Pagar) Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth and Ministry of Social and Family Development.

Mr CHUA KHENG WEE LOUIS (Sengkang).

Mr DARRYL DAVID (Ang Mo Kio).

Mr CHRISTOPHER DE SOUZA (Holland-Bukit Timah), Deputy Speaker.

Ms FOO MEE HAR (West Coast).

Ms GRACE FU HAI YIEN (Yuhua), Minister for Sustainability and the Environment.

Mr GAN KIM YONG (Chua Chu Kang), Minister for Trade and Industry.

Ms GAN SIOW HUANG (Marymount), Minister of State, Ministry of Education and Ministry of Manpower.

Mr GAN THIAM POH (Ang Mo Kio).

Mr GERALD GIAM YEAN SONG (Aljunied).

Mr DERRICK GOH (Nee Soon).

Ms HE TING RU (Sengkang).

Mr HENG CHEE HOW (Jalan Besar), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Defence.

Mr HENG SWEE KEAT (East Coast), Deputy Prime Minister and Coordinating Minister for Economic Policies.

Prof HOON HIAN TECK (Nominated Member).

Mr SHAWN HUANG WEI ZHONG (Jurong).

Ms INDRANEE RAJAH (Tanjong Pagar), Minister, Prime Minister's Office, Second Minister for Finance, Second Minister for National Development and Leader of the House.

Mr S ISWARAN (West Coast), Minister for Transport and Minister-in-charge of Trade Relations.

Dr JANIL PUTHUCHEARY (Pasir Ris-Punggol), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Communications and Information and Ministry of Health and Government Whip.

Dr AMY KHOR LEAN SUAN (Hong Kah North), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Sustainability and the Environment and Ministry of Transport.

Prof KOH LIAN PIN (Nominated Member).

Dr KOH POH KOON (Tampines), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Health and Ministry of Manpower.

Mr KWEK HIAN CHUAN HENRY (Kebun Baru).

Mr DESMOND LEE (West Coast), Minister for National Development and Minister-in-charge of Social Services Integration.

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

Mr LEONG MUN WAI (Non-Constituency Member).

Mr LIANG ENG HWA (Bukit Panjang).

Mr LIM BIOW CHUAN (Mountbatten).

Assoc Prof JAMUS JEROME LIM (Sengkang).

Ms SYLVIA LIM (Aljunied).

Dr LIM WEE KIAK (Sembawang).

Ms LOW YEN LING (Chua Chu Kang), Minister of State, Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth and Ministry of Trade and Industry.

Ms MARIAM JAAFAR (Sembawang).

Mr MASAGOS ZULKIFLI B M M (Tampines), Minister for Social and Family Development, Second Minister for Health and Minister-in-charge of Muslim Affairs.

Dr MOHAMAD MALIKI BIN OSMAN (East Coast), Minister, Prime Minister's Office, Second Minister for Education and Second Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Mr MOHD FAHMI BIN ALIMAN (Marine Parade).

Mr MUHAMAD FAISAL ABDUL MANAP (Aljunied).

Assoc Prof Dr MUHAMMAD FAISHAL IBRAHIM (Nee Soon), Minister of State, Ministry of Home Affairs and Ministry of National Development.

Ms NADIA AHMAD SAMDIN (Ang Mo Kio).

Ms NG LING LING (Ang Mo Kio).

Mr LOUIS NG KOK KWANG (Nee Soon).

Miss RACHEL ONG (West Coast).

Mr ONG YE KUNG (Sembawang), Minister for Health.

Ms JOAN PEREIRA (Tanjong Pagar).

Mr LEON PERERA (Aljunied).

Ms DENISE PHUA LAY PENG (Jalan Besar).

Ms HAZEL POA (Non-Constituency Member).

Ms POH LI SAN (Sembawang).

Mr PRITAM SINGH (Aljunied), Leader of the Opposition.

Ms RAHAYU MAHZAM (Jurong), Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Communications and Information and Ministry of Health.

Mr SAKTIANDI SUPAAT (Bishan-Toa Payoh).

Mr SEAH KIAN PENG (Marine Parade).

Dr SHAHIRA ABDULLAH (Nominated Member).

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

Mr SHARAEL TAHA (Pasir Ris-Punggol).

Ms SIM ANN (Holland-Bukit Timah), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of National Development and Deputy Government Whip.

Mr SITO H YIH PIN (Potong Pasir).

Ms HANY SOH (Marsiling-Yew Tee).

Ms SUN XUELING (Punggol West), Minister of State, Ministry of Education and Ministry of Social and Family Development.

Mr ALVIN TAN (Tanjong Pagar), Minister of State, Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth and Ministry of Trade and Industry.

Ms CARRIE TAN (Nee Soon).

Mr DENNIS TAN LIP FONG (Hougang).

Mr DESMOND TAN (Pasir Ris-Punggol), Minister of State, Ministry of Home Affairs and Ministry of Sustainability and the Environment.

Ms JESSICA TAN SOON NEO (East Coast), Deputy Speaker.

Mr TAN KIAT HOW (East Coast), Minister of State, Ministry of Communications and Information and Ministry of National Development.

Dr TAN SEE LENG (Marine Parade), Minister for Manpower and Second Minister for Trade and Industry.

Dr TAN WU MENG (Jurong).

Dr TAN YIA SWAM (Nominated Member).

Mr PATRICK TAY TECK GUAN (Pioneer).

Mr TEO CHEE HEAN (Pasir Ris-Punggol), Senior Minister and Coordinating Minister for National Security.

Mrs JOSEPHINE TEO (Jalan Besar), Minister for Communications and Information and Second Minister for Home Affairs.

Mr THARMAN SHANMUGARATNAM (Jurong), Senior Minister and Coordinating Minister for Social Policies.

Mr RAJ JOSHUA THOMAS (Nominated Member).

Ms TIN PEI LING (MacPherson).

Mr EDWIN TONG CHUN FAI (Marine Parade), Minister for Culture, Community and Youth and Second Minister for Law.

Mr VIKRAM NAIR (Sembawang).

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

Dr WAN RIZAL (Jalan Besar).

Mr DON WEE (Chua Chu Kang).

Mr LAWRENCE WONG (Marsiling-Yew Tee), Minister for Finance.

Mr XIE YAO QUAN (Jurong).

Mr ALEX YAM ZIMING (Marsiling-Yew Tee).

Ms YEO WAN LING (Pasir Ris-Punggol).

Mr YIP HON WENG (Yio Chu Kang).

Mr MELVIN YONG YIK CHYE (Radin Mas).

Mr ZAQY MOHAMAD (Marsiling-Yew Tee), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Defence and Ministry of Manpower and Deputy Leader of the House.

Mr ZHULKARNAIN ABDUL RAHIM (Chua Chu Kang).

ABSENT:

Mr ABDUL SAMAD (Nominated Member).

Mr EDWARD CHIA BING HUI (Holland-Bukit Timah).

Mr MURALI PILLAI (Bukit Batok).

Dr NG ENG HEN (Bishan-Toa Payoh), Minister for Defence.

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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 Legal Profession (Admission) (Amendment) Rules 2022 – Presented on 18 January 2022 (S. L. 465 of 2022)
 - 1.2 Legal Profession (Disciplinary Tribunal) (Amendment) Rules 2022 – Presented on 18 January 2022 (S. L. 466 of 2022)
 - 1.3 Legal Profession (Modified Application of Act for International Services) (Amendment) Rules 2022 – Presented on 18 January 2022 (S. L. 467 of 2022)
 - 1.4 Legal Profession (Professional Indemnity Insurance) (Amendment) Rules 2022 – Presented on 18 January 2022 (S. L. 468 of 2022)
 - 1.5 Legal Profession (Qualified Persons) (Amendment) Rules 2022 – Presented on 18 January 2022 (S. L. 469 of 2022)
 - 1.6 Legal Profession (Solicitors' Accounts) (Amendment) Rules 2022 – Presented on 18 January 2022 (S. L. 470 of 2022)
 - 1.7 Jurong Town Corporation (Common Property) (Amendment) Rules 2022 – Presented on 21 January 2022 (S. L. 471 of 2022)
 - 1.8 Income Tax (Maximum Relief Amount for Payments to Retirement Account and Special Account) (Amendment) Rules 2021 – Presented on 25 January 2022 (S. L. 472 of 2022)
 - 1.9 Income Tax (Applicable Maximum Relief Amounts and Deduction Limits for Section 39(3) and (3A)) Rules 2021 – Presented on 25 January 2022 (S. L. 473 of 2022)
 - 1.10 Second Report of the Public Accounts Committee – Presented on 26 January 2022 (Parl. 12 of 2022)
 - 1.11 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Women's Charter (Amendment) Bill [Bill No 43/2021] – Presented on 28 January 2022 (Pres. Co. 42 of 2022)
 - 1.12 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Corporate Registers (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Bill No 42/2021] – Presented on 28 January 2022 (Pres. Co. 43 of 2022)
 - 1.13 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Monetary Authority of Singapore (Amendment) Bill [Bill No 37/2021] – Presented on 28 January 2022 (Pres. Co. 44 of 2022)
 - 1.14 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Exchanges (Demutualisation and Merger) (Amendment) Bill [Bill No 28/2021(Amended)] – Presented on 28 January 2022 (Pres. Co. 45 of 2022)
 - 1.15 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Intellectual Property (Amendment) Bill [Bill No 39/2021] – Presented on 28 January 2022 (Pres. Co. 46 of 2022)
 - 1.16 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Prisons (Amendment) Bill [Bill No 38/2021] – Presented on 28 January 2022 (Pres. Co. 47 of 2022)
 - 1.17 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Legal Profession (Amendment) Bill [Bill No 40/2021 (Amended)] – Presented on 28 January 2022 (Pres. Co. 48 of 2022)

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- 1.18 Singapore Armed Forces (Authorised Deductions) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 – Presented on 3 February 2022 (S. L. 474 of 2022)
 - 1.19 Prisons (Amendment) Regulations 2022 – Presented on 3 February 2022 (S. L. 475 of 2022)
 - 1.20 Variable Capital Companies (Consequential Amendments to Other Acts) Order 2022 – Presented on 8 February 2022 (S. L. 476 of 2022)
 - 1.21 Employment of Foreign Manpower (Work Passes) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 – Presented on 8 February 2022 (S. L. 477 of 2022)
 - 1.22 Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Registration and Licensing) (Amendment) Rules 2022 – Presented on 9 February 2022 (S. L. 478 of 2022)
 - 1.23 Report of the Committee of Privileges – Complaint against Ms Raeesah Khan for Untruth Spoken in Parliament – Presented on 10 February 2022 (Parl. 13 of 2022)
 - 1.24 2020 Revised Edition of Acts – Presented on 10 February 2022 (S. 206 of 2022)
 - 1.25 2021 Revised Edition of the Stamp Duties Act 1929 – Presented on 10 February 2022 (S. 207 of 2022)
 - 1.26 Revised Edition of the Laws (Rectification of Acts) Order 2022 – Presented on 10 February 2022 (S. L. 479 of 2022)
 - 1.27 COVID 19 (Temporary Measures) (Control Order) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 – Presented on 14 February 2022 (S. L. 480 of 2022)
 - 1.28 COVID 19 (Temporary Measures) (Control Order) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 2022 – Presented on 14 February 2022 (S. L. 481 of 2022)
 - 1.29 COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) (Business Events – Control Order) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 – Presented on 14 February 2022 (S. L. 482 of 2022)
 - 1.30 COVID 19 (Temporary Measures) (Religious Gatherings – Control Order) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 – Presented on 14 February 2022 (S. L. 483 of 2022)
 - 1.31 COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) (Performances and Other Activities – Control Order) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 – Presented on 14 February 2022 (S. L. 484 of 2022)
 - 1.32 COVID 19 (Temporary Measures) (Sporting Events and Activities – Control Order) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 – Presented on 14 February 2022 (S. L. 485 of 2022)
 - 2 16 Questions for Oral Answer were answered during Question Time. With leave of Mr Speaker, 6 other Questions for Oral Answer were addressed in the subsequent Ministerial Statements and 26 other Questions for Oral Answer will be addressed in the Ministerial Statements on 15 February 2022.
 - 3 Ministerial Statement – The Agreements under the Expanded Framework between Singapore and Indonesia – (Senior Minister and Coordinating Minister for National Security).
 - 4 Ministerial Statement – The Agreement on the Realignment of the Boundary between the Jakarta and the Singapore Flight Information Regions – (Minister for Transport).

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- 5 Financial Services and Markets Bill – "to provide for a financial sector-wide regulation of financial services and markets, the exercise of control over and the resolution of financial institutions and their related entities, the licensing and regulation of digital token service providers, and other incidental and connected matters, to make related and consequential amendments to certain other Acts, and to amend a provision of the Income Tax Act 1947 consequent upon the operation of the Financial Holding Companies Act 2013" – presented by the Minister of State (Mr Alvin Tan), Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth and Ministry of Trade and Industry, on behalf of the Prime Minister; read the first time; to be read a second time at the first available sitting in April 2022 and to be printed. [Bill No. 4/2022].
- 6 Gambling Regulatory Authority of Singapore Bill – "to reconstitute the Casino Regulatory Authority of Singapore as the Gambling Regulatory Authority of Singapore and to modify the functions of the Singapore Totalisator Board, and to make consequential and related amendments to certain other Acts" – presented by the Minister of State (Mr Desmond Tan), on behalf of the Minister for Home Affairs; read the first time; to be read a second time after the conclusion of proceedings on the Estimates of Expenditure for FY2022/23 and to be printed. [Bill No. 5/2022].
- 7 Gambling Control Bill – "to consolidate the law on the suppression of various forms of unlawful gambling and the regulation of authorised gambling services outside of casinos, to repeal the Betting Act 1960, the Common Gaming Houses Act 1961, the Private Lotteries Act 2011 and the Remote Gambling Act 2014, and to make related and consequential amendments to the Casino Control Act 2006 and certain other Acts" – presented by the Minister of State (Mr Desmond Tan), on behalf of the Minister for Home Affairs; read the first time; to be read a second time after the conclusion of proceedings on the Estimates of Expenditure for FY2022/23 and to be printed. [Bill No. 6/2022].
- 8 COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) (Amendment) Bill – "to amend the COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) Act 2020 (Act 14 of 2020)" – presented by the Senior Minister of State (Dr Koh Poh Koon), on behalf of the Minister for Health; read the first time; to be read a second time after the conclusion of proceedings on the Estimates of Expenditure for FY2022/23 and to be printed. [Bill No. 7/2022].
- 9 Economic Expansion Incentives (Relief from 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 – (Minister of State (Ms Low Yen Ling), on behalf of the Minister for Trade and Industry).

(In the Committee)

Clauses 1 to 5 inclusive agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, without amendment; read a third time.

- 10 Hijacking of Aircraft and Protection of Aircraft and International Airports (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 Parliamentary Secretary, on behalf of the Minister for Transport).

(In the Committee)

Clauses 1 to 12 inclusive agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, without amendment; read a third time.

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- 11 Administration of Muslim Law (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 Social and Family Development and Minister-in-charge of Muslim Affairs).

(In the Committee)

Clauses 1 to 29 inclusive agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, without amendment; read a third time.

- 12 Adjournment – (Leader of the House) – Motion made, and Question put – Resolved, "That at its rising today, Parliament do stand adjourned to 12.30 pm tomorrow."

- 13 Adjournment – (Leader of the House) – Motion made, and Question proposed "That Parliament do now adjourn"; Debate arising.

And the Question having been proposed at 5.05 pm and the Debate having continued until half an hour had passed, Mr Deputy Speaker adjourned Parliament without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order.

Adjourned at 5.36 pm

TAN CHUAN-JIN,
Speaker

MEMORANDUM

Mr Speaker will take the Chair again at 12.30 pm on Tuesday, 15 February 2022.
