# FOURTEENTH PARLIAMENT OF SINGAPORE (SECOND SESSION)

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS WEDNESDAY, 22 NOVEMBER 2023

*No. 117* **2.30 pm** 1

#### PRESENT:

Mr SPEAKER (Mr Seah Kian Peng (Marine Parade)).

Mr ANG WEI NENG (West Coast).

Mr BAEY YAM KENG (Tampines), Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Sustainability and the Environment and Ministry of Transport.

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

Ms USHA CHANDRADAS (Nominated Member)

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

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

Mr CHONG KEE HIONG (Bishan-Toa Payoh).

Mr DESMOND CHOO (Tampines).

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

Mr KEITH CHUA (Nominated Member)

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).

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.

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.

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.

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

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 MARK LEE (Nominated Member)

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.

Mr MURALI PILLAI (Bukit Batok).

Ms NADIA AHMAD SAMDIN (Ang Mo Kio).

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

Mr LOUIS NG KOK KWANG (Nee Soon).

Miss RACHEL ONG (West Coast).

Mr ONG HUA HAN (Nominated Member)

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

Mr NEIL PAREKH NIMIL RAJNIKANT (Nominated Member)

Ms JOAN PEREIRA (Tanjong Pagar).

Ms DENISE PHUA LAY PENG (Jalan Besar).

Ms POH LI SAN (Sembawang).

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

Ms RAHAYU MAHZAM (Jurong), Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Health and Ministry of Law.

Mr SAKTIANDI SUPAAT (Bishan-Toa Payoh).

Ms SEE JINLI JEAN (Nominated Member)

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

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

Mr SITOH YIH PIN (Potong Pasir).

Ms HANY SOH (Marsiling-Yew Tee).

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

Dr SYED HARUN ALHABSYI (Nominated Member)

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, Prime Minister's Office.

Mr TAN KIAT HOW (East Coast), Senior 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.

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

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 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), Deputy Prime Minister and 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:

Miss CHERYL CHAN WEI LING (East Coast).

Ms HE TING RU (Sengkang).

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

Ms NG LING LING (Ang Mo Kio).

Ms HAZEL POA (Non-Constituency Member).

Assoc Prof RAZWANA BEGUM ABDUL RAHIM (Nominated Member)

Mr SHARAEL TAHA (Pasir Ris-Punggol).

Dr TAN WU MENG (Jurong).

- 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 Liquor Control (Supply and Consumption) (Liquor Licensing) (Amendment) Regulations 2023
     Presented on 10 November 2023 (S. L. 957 of 2023)
  - Housing and Development (Penalties for Late Payment) (Amendment) Rules 2023 Presented on 14 November 2023 (S. L. 958 of 2023)
  - 1.3 Housing and Development (Interest and Penalties for Late Payment of Improvement Contributions) (Amendment) Rules 2023 Presented on 14 November 2023 (S. L. 959 of 2023)
  - 1.4 Housing and Development (Penalties for Late Payment Markets and Food Centres) (Amendment) Rules 2023 Presented on 14 November 2023 (S. L. 960 of 2023)
  - 1.5 Debt Collection Act 2022 (Amendment of First and Second Schedules) Order 2023 Presented on 16 November 2023 (S. L. 961 of 2023)
- 2 17 Questions for Oral Answer were answered during Question Time.
- 3 Moneylenders (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 Law).

(In the Committee)

Clauses 1 to 27 inclusive agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, without amendment; read a third time.

- 4 Constitution of the Republic of Singapore (Amendment No. 3) Bill (Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance) Motion made, and Question proposed, "That the Bill be now read a second time."; Debate arising.
- 5 Exempted Business (Leader of the House) 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.".
- 6 Constitution of the Republic of Singapore (Amendment No. 3) Bill Debate resumed on Question, "That the Bill be now read a second time.".

On Question put – a division was taken: Ayes 75, Noes 8, Abstention Nil.

Abstention Noes Ayes Ang Wei Neng Chua Kheng Wee Louis Nil Baey Yam Keng Gerald Giam Yean Song Chan Chun Sing Leong Mun Wai Chee Hong Tat Jamus Jerome Lim Edward Chia Bing Hui Sylvia Lim Chong Kee Hiong Muhamad Faisal Abdul Manap

Ayes - continued

Desmond Choo

Eric Chua

Darryl David

Christopher de Souza

Foo Mee Har

Grace Fu Hai Yien

Gan Kim Yong

Gan Siow Huang

Gan Thiam Poh

Derrick Goh

Heng Chee How

Heng Swee Keat

Shawn Huang Wei Zhong

Indranee Rajah

Janil Puthucheary

Amy Khor Lean Suan

Koh Poh Koon

Kwek Hian Chuan, Henry

Desmond Lee

Lee Hsien Loong

Liang Eng Hwa

Lim Biow Chuan

Lim Wee Kiak

Low Yen Ling

Mariam Jaafar

Masagos Zulkifli B M M

Mohamad Maliki Bin Osman

Mohd Fahmi Bin Aliman

Muhammad Faishal Ibrahim

Murali Pillai

Nadia Ahmad Samdin

Ng Eng Hen

Louis Ng Kok Kwang

Rachel Ong

Ong Ye Kung

Joan Pereira

Denise Phua Lay Peng

Poh Li San

Rahayu Mahzam

Saktiandi Supaat

Seah Kian Peng

K Shanmugam

Sim Ann

Sitoh Yih Pin

Hany Soh

Sun Xueling

Alvin Tan

Carrie Tan

Desmond Tan

Tan Kiat How

Tan See Leng

Jessica Tan Soon Neo

Patrick Tay Teck Guan

*Noes – continued* 

Pritam Singh

Dennis Tan Lip Fong

Ayes – continued

Teo Chee Hean

Josephine Teo

Tin Pei Ling

Edwin Tong Chun Fai

Vikram Nair

Vivian Balakrishnan

Wan Rizal

Don Wee

Lawrence Wong

Xie Yao Quan

Alex Yam Ziming

Yeo Wan Ling

Yip Hon Weng

Melvin Yong Yik Chye

Zaqy Mohamad

Zhulkarnain Abdul Rahim

Bill accordingly read a second time in accordance with Article 5(2) of the Constitution of the Republic of Singapore and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

The House immediately resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill – (Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance).

(In the Committee)

Clauses 1 to 4 inclusive agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, without amendment.

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the Bill be now read a third time.". – (Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance).

On Question put – a division was taken: Ayes 75, Noes 8, Abstention Nil.

Ayes Noes Abstention

Ang Wei Neng Chua Kheng Wee Louis Nil

Baey Yam Keng Gerald Giam Yean Song
Chan Chun Sing Leong Mun Wai

Chee Hong Tat Jamus Jerome Lim

Edward Chia Bing Hui Sylvia Lim

Chong Kee Hiong Muhamad Faisal Abdul Manap

Desmond Choo Pritam Singh

Eric Chua Dennis Tan Lip Fong Darryl David

Christopher de Souza Foo Mee Har

Grace Fu Hai Yien Gan Kim Yong Gan Siow Huang

## Ayes - continued

Gan Thiam Poh

Derrick Goh

Heng Chee How

Heng Swee Keat

Shawn Huang Wei Zhong

Indranee Rajah

Janil Puthucheary

Amy Khor Lean Suan

Koh Poh Koon

Kwek Hian Chuan, Henry

Desmond Lee

Lee Hsien Loong

Liang Eng Hwa

Lim Biow Chuan

Lim Wee Kiak

Low Yen Ling

Mariam Jaafar

Masagos Zulkifli B M M

Mohamad Maliki Bin Osman

Mohd Fahmi Bin Aliman

Muhammad Faishal Ibrahim

Murali Pillai

Nadia Ahmad Samdin

Ng Eng Hen

Louis Ng Kok Kwang

Rachel Ong

Ong Ye Kung

Joan Pereira

Denise Phua Lay Peng

Poh Li San

Rahayu Mahzam

Saktiandi Supaat

Seah Kian Peng

K Shanmugam

Sim Ann

Sitoh Yih Pin

Hany Soh

Sun Xueling

Alvin Tan

Carrie Tan

Desmond Tan

Tan Kiat How

Tan See Leng

Jessica Tan Soon Neo

Patrick Tay Teck Guan

Teo Chee Hean

Josephine Teo

Tin Pei Ling

Edwin Tong Chun Fai

Vikram Nair

Vivian Balakrishnan

Wan Rizal

Ayes - continued

Don Wee
Lawrence Wong
Xie Yao Quan
Alex Yam Ziming
Yeo Wan Ling
Yip Hon Weng
Melvin Yong Yik Chye
Zaqy Mohamad
Zhulkarnain Abdul Rahim

Bill accordingly read a third time in accordance with Article 5(2) of the Constitution of the Republic of Singapore.

- Adjournment (Leader of the House) Motion made, and Question put Resolved, "That Parliament do now adjourn to a date to be fixed.".
- 8 Adjournment (Leader of the House) Motion made, and Question proposed, "That Parliament do now adjourn."; Debate arising.

On Question put - Resolved, "That Parliament do now adjourn.".

Adjourned at 8.10 pm

SEAH KIAN PENG, Speaker

## **MEMORANDUM**

Parliament stands adjourned to a date to be fixed.