

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

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**First Session**

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TUESDAY, 2 AUGUST 2022

*No. 66*

**1.30 pm**

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PRESENT:

Mr ABDUL SAMAD (Nominated Member).

Ms JANET ANG (Nominated Member).

Mr ANG WEI NENG (West Coast).

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

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

Miss CHERYL CHAN WEI LING (East Coast).

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

Mr CHENG HSING YAO (Nominated Member).

Miss CHENG LI HUI (Tampines).

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

Mr CHONG KEE HIONG (Bishan-Toa Payoh).

Mr DESMOND CHOO (Tampines).

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 SLOW 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).

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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).

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).

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.

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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 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).

Mr SEAH KIAN PENG (Marine Parade).

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

Mr SHARAEL TAHA (Pasir Ris-Punggol).

Mr SITOY 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.

Ms CARRIE TAN (Nee Soon).

Mr DENNIS TAN LIP FONG (Hougang).

Mr DESMOND TAN (Pasir Ris-Punggol), Minister of State, Prime Minister's Office.

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

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.

Dr TAN WU MENG (Jurong).

Mr PATRICK TAY TECK GUAN (Pioneer).

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

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

Mr RAJ JOSHUA THOMAS (Nominated Member).

Ms TIN PEI LING (MacPherson).

Mr VIKRAM NAIR (Sembawang).

Dr WAN RIZAL (Jalan Besar).

Mr DON WEE (Chua Chu Kang).

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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:

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

Mr MARK CHAY (Nominated Member).

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

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

Assoc Prof JAMUS JEROME LIM (Sengkang).

Ms HAZEL POA (Non-Constituency Member).

Dr SHAHIRA ABDULLAH (Nominated Member).

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

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

Dr TAN YIA SWAM (Nominated Member).

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

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

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

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- 1 16 Questions for Oral Answer were answered during Question Time.
- 2 Ministerial Statement – Liability and Contributions of New Citizens to National Service – (Minister for Defence).
- 3 National Symbols Bill – "to set out and declare the national symbols and presidential symbols of Singapore and to regulate their use, to repeal the Singapore Arms and Flag and National Anthem Act 1959, and to make related amendments to certain other Acts" – presented by the Minister of State (Ms Low Yen Ling), on behalf of the Minister for Culture, Community and Youth; read the first time; to be read a second time on the next available sitting day and to be printed. [Bill No. 21/2022].
- 4 Singapore Armed Forces and Other Matters 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 Defence).

*(In the Committee)*

Clauses 1 to 34 inclusive agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, without amendment; read a third time.

- 5 Constitution of the Republic of Singapore (Amendment) Bill – (Minister for Defence) – Motion made, and Question proposed, "That the Bill be now read a second time."

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

| <i>Ayes</i>            | <i>Noes</i>                | <i>Abstention</i> |
|------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|
| Ang Wei Neng           | Chua Kheng Wee, Louis      | Nil               |
| Baey Yam Keng          | Giam Yean Song, Gerald     |                   |
| Chan Chun Sing         | He Ting Ru                 |                   |
| Chan Wei Ling, Cheryl  | Lim, Sylvia                |                   |
| Chee Hong Tat          | Muhamad Faisal Abdul Manap |                   |
| Cheng Li Hui           | Perera, Leon               |                   |
| Chia Bing Hui, Edward  | Pritam Singh               |                   |
| Chong Kee Hiong        | Tan Lip Fong, Dennis       |                   |
| Choo, Desmond          |                            |                   |
| Darryl David           |                            |                   |
| De Souza, Christopher  |                            |                   |
| Foo Mee Har            |                            |                   |
| Grace Fu               |                            |                   |
| Gan Kim Yong           |                            |                   |
| Gan Siow Huang         |                            |                   |
| Gan Thiam Poh          |                            |                   |
| Goh, Derrick           |                            |                   |
| Heng Chee How          |                            |                   |
| Heng Swee Keat         |                            |                   |
| Huang Wei Zhong, Shawn |                            |                   |
| Indranee Rajah         |                            |                   |
| Iswaran, S             |                            |                   |
| Janil Puthucheary      |                            |                   |
| Khor Lean Suan, Amy    |                            |                   |
| Kwek Hian Chuan, Henry |                            |                   |
| Desmond Lee            |                            |                   |
| Lee Hsien Loong        |                            |                   |
| Liang Eng Hwa          |                            |                   |
| Lim Biow Chuan         |                            |                   |
| Lim Wee Kiak           |                            |                   |
| Low Yen Ling           |                            |                   |

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*Ayes – continued*

Mariam Jaafar  
Masagos Zulkifli B M M  
Mohd Fahmi Bin Aliman  
Mohd Maliki Bin Osman  
Muhammad Faishal Ibrahim  
Murali Pillai  
Nadia Ahmad Samdin  
Ng Eng Hen  
Ng Ling Ling  
Ng Kok Kwang, Louis  
Ong, Rachel  
Ong Ye Kung  
Pereira, Joan  
Phua Lay Peng, Denise  
Poh Li San  
Rahayu Mahzam  
Saktiandi Supaat  
Seah Kian Peng  
Shanmugam, K  
Sharael Taha  
Sitoh Yih Pin  
Soh, Hany  
Sun Xueling  
Tan, Carrie  
Tan, Desmond  
Tan Soon Neo, Jessica  
Tan Kiat How  
Tan See Leng  
Tan Wu Meng  
Tay Teck Guan, Patrick  
Teo Chee Hean  
Tharman Shanmugaratnam  
Tin Pei Ling  
Vikram Nair  
Wan Rizal  
Wee, Don  
Wong, Lawrence  
Xie Yao Quan  
Yam Ziming, Alex  
Yeo Wan Ling  
Yip Hon Weng  
Yong Yik Chye, Melvin  
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 – (Minister for Defence).

*(In the Committee)*

Clauses 1 and 2 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, without amendment.

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

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

| <i>Ayes</i>              | <i>Noes</i>                | <i>Abstention</i> |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|
| Ang Wei Neng             | Chua Kheng Wee, Louis      | Nil               |
| Baey Yam Keng            | Giam Yean Song, Gerald     |                   |
| Chan Chun Sing           | He Ting Ru                 |                   |
| Chan Wei Ling, Cheryl    | Lim, Sylvia                |                   |
| Chee Hong Tat            | Muhamad Faisal Abdul Manap |                   |
| Cheng Li Hui             | Perera, Leon               |                   |
| Chia Bing Hui, Edward    | Pritam Singh               |                   |
| Chong Kee Hiong          | Tan Lip Fong, Dennis       |                   |
| Choo, Desmond            |                            |                   |
| Darryl David             |                            |                   |
| De Souza, Christopher    |                            |                   |
| Foo Mee Har              |                            |                   |
| Grace Fu                 |                            |                   |
| Gan Kim Yong             |                            |                   |
| Gan Siow Huang           |                            |                   |
| Gan Thiam Poh            |                            |                   |
| Goh, Derrick             |                            |                   |
| Heng Chee How            |                            |                   |
| Heng Swee Keat           |                            |                   |
| Huang Wei Zhong, Shawn   |                            |                   |
| Indranee Rajah           |                            |                   |
| Iswaran, S               |                            |                   |
| Janil Puthuchear         |                            |                   |
| Khor Lean Suan, Amy      |                            |                   |
| 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   |                            |                   |
| Mohd Fahmi Bin Aliman    |                            |                   |
| Mohd Maliki Bin Osman    |                            |                   |
| Muhammad Faishal Ibrahim |                            |                   |
| Murali Pillai            |                            |                   |
| Nadia Ahmad Samdin       |                            |                   |
| Ng Eng Hen               |                            |                   |
| Ng Ling Ling             |                            |                   |
| Ng Kok Kwang, Louis      |                            |                   |
| Ong, Rachel              |                            |                   |
| Ong Ye Kung              |                            |                   |
| Pereira, Joan            |                            |                   |
| Phua Lay Peng, Denise    |                            |                   |
| Poh Li San               |                            |                   |
| Rahayu Mahzam            |                            |                   |
| Saktiandi Supaat         |                            |                   |
| Seah Kian Peng           |                            |                   |
| Shanmugam, K             |                            |                   |
| Sharael Taha             |                            |                   |
| Sitoh Yih Pin            |                            |                   |
| Soh, Hany                |                            |                   |
| Sun Xueling              |                            |                   |
| Tan, Carrie              |                            |                   |

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*Ayes – continued*

Tan, Desmond  
Tan Soon Neo, Jessica  
Tan Kiat How  
Tan See Leng  
Tan Wu Meng  
Tay Teck Guan, Patrick  
Teo Chee Hean  
Tharman Shanmugaratnam  
Tin Pei Ling  
Vikram Nair  
Wan Rizal  
Wee, Don  
Wong, Lawrence  
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Yam Ziming, Alex  
Yeo Wan Ling  
Yip Hon Weng  
Yong Yik Chye, Melvin  
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.

6 Adjournment – (Deputy Leader of the House) – Motion made, and Question put – Resolved, "That at its rising today, Parliament do stand adjourned to a date to be fixed."

7 Adjournment – (Deputy 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 6.50 pm

TAN CHUAN-JIN,  
*Speaker*

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**MEMORANDUM**

Parliament stands adjourned to a date to be fixed.

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