

**FOURTEENTH PARLIAMENT OF SINGAPORE
(SECOND SESSION)**

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
TUESDAY, 9 MAY 2023**

No. 103

11.00 am

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

Mr CHONG KEE HIONG (Bishan-Toa Payoh).

Mr ERIC CHUA (Tanjong Pagar) Senior 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 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.

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 Manpower and Ministry of Sustainability and the Environment.

Mr KWEK HIAN CHUAN HENRY (Kebun Baru).
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).
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).
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.
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), Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Health and Ministry of Law.
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 SHARAEI 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.
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.
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.
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).
Dr TAN YIA SWAM (Nominated Member).
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 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:

Mr SPEAKER (Mr Tan Chuan-Jin (Marine Parade)).
Mr MARK CHAY (Nominated Member).
Mr CHENG HSING YAO (Nominated Member).
Miss CHENG LI HUI (Tampines).
Mr DESMOND CHOO (Tampines).
Ms FOO MEE HAR (West Coast).
Mr HENG SWEE KEAT (East Coast), Deputy Prime Minister and Coordinating Minister for Economic Policies.
Mr DESMOND LEE (West Coast), Minister for National Development and Minister-in-charge of Social Services Integration.
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 NG ENG HEN (Bishan-Toa Payoh), Minister for Defence.
Ms JOAN PEREIRA (Tanjong Pagar).
Mr SITO H YIH PIN (Potong Pasir).

Mr PATRICK TAY TECK GUAN (Pioneer).

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

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

- 1 16 Questions for Oral Answer were answered during Question Time.
- 2 Women's Charter (Family Violence and Other Matters) (Amendment) Bill – "to amend the Women's Charter 1961 to better protect against family violence and for other purposes, and to make related amendments to certain other Acts" – presented by the Minister of State, on behalf of the Minister for Social and Family Development; read the first time; to be read a second time at the next available sitting on or after 3 July 2023 and to be printed. [Bill No. 18/2023].
- 3 Building and Related Works (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill – "to amend certain Acts as regards the approval requirements for building works, to introduce in the Environmental Protection and Management Act 1999 and the Environmental Public Health Act 1987 approval requirements for building and related works, and to make consequential and related amendments to certain other Acts" – presented by the Senior Minister of State (Mr Tan Kiat How), on behalf of the Minister for National Development; read the first time; to be read a second time at the next available sitting on or after 3 July 2023 and to be printed. [Bill No. 19/2023].
- 4 Maintenance of Parents (Amendment) Bill – (Mr Seah Kian Peng) – Motion made, and Question put – Resolved, "That leave be given to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Maintenance of Parents Act 1995"."

Bill to be introduced by Mr Seah Kian Peng.

- 5 Maintenance of Parents (Amendment) Bill – "to amend the Maintenance of Parents Act 1995" – presented by Mr Seah Kian Peng; read the first time; to be read a second time at the next available sitting day and to be printed. [Bill No. 20/2023].
- 6 Corruption, Drug Trafficking and Other Serious Crimes (Confiscation of Benefits) (Amendment) Bill – (Second Minister for Home Affairs) – Question again proposed on the resumption of debate, "That the Bill be now read a second time."

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 9 inclusive agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, without amendment; read a third time.

- 7 Computer Misuse (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 6 inclusive agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, without amendment; read a third time.

- 8 Financial Services and Markets (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 (Mr Alvin Tan), on behalf of the Prime Minister).

(In the Committee)

Clauses 1 to 7 inclusive agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, without amendment; read a third time.

- 9 Companies, Business Trusts and Other Bodies (Miscellaneous Amendments) 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 Finance).

(In the Committee)

Clauses 1 to 28 inclusive agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, without amendment; read a third time.

- 10 Supporting Healthcare – (Dr Tan Yia Swam) – Motion made, and Question proposed – "That this House commits to supporting healthcare beyond the COVID-19 pandemic and the whole-of-Government efforts for consistent and sustainable support."; Debate arising.

- 11 Adjournment of Debate – (Leader of the House) – Motion made, and Question put – Resolved, "That the debate be now adjourned."

Debate to be resumed Tomorrow.

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

And the Question having been proposed at 5.36 pm and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mdm Deputy Speaker adjourned Parliament without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order.

Adjourned at 6.06 pm

TAN CHUAN-JIN,
Speaker

MEMORANDUM

Pursuant to Standing Order No. 2(3)(a), Mdm Deputy Speaker will take the Chair again at 12 noon on Wednesday, 10 May 2023.
