VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT OF SINGAPORE

Second Session

TUESDAY, 26 FEBRUARY 2019

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PRESENT:

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

Mr AMRIN AMIN (Sembawang), Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs and Ministry of Health.

Mr ANG HIN KEE (Ang Mo Kio).

Mr ANG WEI NENG (Jurong).

Mr BAEY YAM KENG (Tampines), Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Transport and Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth.

Miss CHERYL CHAN WEI LING (Fengshan).

Mr CHAN CHUN SING (Tanjong Pagar), Minister for Trade and Industry and Government Whip.

Mr CHEE HONG TAT (Bishan-Toa Payoh), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Trade and Industry and Ministry of Education.

Mr CHEN SHOW MAO (Aljunied).

Miss CHENG LI HUI (Tampines).

Dr CHIA SHI-LU (Tanjong Pagar).

Mr CHARLES CHONG (Punggol East), Deputy Speaker.

Mr CHONG KEE HIONG (Bishan-Toa Payoh).

Mr DESMOND CHOO (Tampines).

Mr DARRYL DAVID (Ang Mo Kio).

Mr CHRISTOPHER DE SOUZA (Holland-Bukit Timah).

Mr ARASU DURAISAMY (Nominated Member).

Prof FATIMAH LATEEF (Marine Parade).

Mr CEDRIC FOO CHEE KENG (Pioneer).

Mr DOUGLAS FOO (Nominated Member).

Ms FOO MEE HAR (West Coast).

Ms GRACE FU HAI YIEN (Yuhua), Minister for Culture, Community and Youth and Leader of the House.

Mr GAN KIM YONG (Chua Chu Kang), Minister for Health.

Mr GAN THIAM POH (Ang Mo Kio).

Mr GOH CHOK TONG (Marine Parade).

Assoc Prof DANIEL GOH PEI SIONG (Non-Constituency Member).

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

Mr HENG SWEE KEAT (Tampines), Minister for Finance.

Mr TERENCE HO WEE SAN (Nominated Member).

Ms INDRANEE RAJAH (Tanjong Pagar), Minister, Prime Minister's Office, Second Minister for Finance and Second Minister for Education.

Dr INTAN AZURA MOKHTAR (Ang Mo Kio).

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

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

Dr KOH POH KOON (Ang Mo Kio), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Trade and Industry.

Mr KWEK HIAN CHUAN HENRY (Nee Soon).

Dr LAM PIN MIN (Sengkang West), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Health and Ministry of Transport.

Er Dr LEE BEE WAH (Nee Soon).

Mr DESMOND LEE (Jurong), Minister for Social and Family Development and Second Minister for National Development and Deputy Leader of the House.

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

Mr LEE YI SHYAN (East Coast).

Mr LIANG ENG HWA (Holland-Bukit Timah).

Mr LIM BIOW CHUAN (Mountbatten), Deputy Speaker.

Mr LIM HNG KIANG (West Coast).

Prof LIM SUN SUN (Nominated Member).

Ms SYLVIA LIM (Aljunied).

Dr LIM WEE KIAK (Sembawang).

Mr LOW THIA KHIANG (Aljunied).

Ms LOW YEN LING (Chua Chu Kang), Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Education and Ministry of Manpower.

Mr MASAGOS ZULKIFLI B M M (Tampines), Minister for the Environment and Water Resources and Minister-in-charge of Muslim Affairs.

Dr MOHAMAD MALIKI BIN OSMAN (East Coast), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Defence and Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Mr MOHAMED IRSHAD (Nominated Member).

Mr MUHAMAD FAISAL ABDUL MANAP (Aljunied).

Assoc Prof Dr MUHAMMAD FAISHAL IBRAHIM (Nee Soon), Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Education and Ministry of Social and Family Development.

Mr MURALI PILLAI (Bukit Batok).

Dr LILY NEO (Jalan Besar).

Mr NG CHEE MENG (Pasir Ris-Punggol), Minister, Prime Minister's Office.

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

Mr LOUIS NG KOK KWANG (Nee Soon).

Ms ANTHEA ONG (Nominated Member).

Mr ONG TENG KOON (Marsiling-Yew Tee).

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

Ms JOAN PEREIRA (Tanjong Pagar).

Mr LEON PERERA (Non-Constituency Member).

Ms DENISE PHUA LAY PENG (Jalan Besar).

Mr PNG ENG HUAT (Hougang).

Mr PRITAM SINGH (Aljunied).

Ms IRENE QUAY SIEW CHING (Nominated Member).

Ms RAHAYU MAHZAM (Jurong).

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.

Ms SIM ANN (Holland-Bukit Timah), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Communications and Information and Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth and Deputy Government Whip.

Mr SITOH YIH PIN (Potong Pasir).

Mr DENNIS TAN LIP FONG (Non-Constituency Member).

Ms JESSICA TAN SOON NEO (East Coast).

Mr SAM TAN CHIN SIONG (Radin Mas), Minister of State, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Social and Family Development and Deputy Government Whip.

Dr TAN WU MENG (Jurong), Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Trade and Industry.

Mr PATRICK TAY TECK GUAN (West Coast).

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

Dr TEO HO PIN (Bukit Panjang).

Mrs JOSEPHINE TEO (Bishan-Toa Payoh), Minister for Manpower and Second Minister for Home Affairs.

Mr THARMAN SHANMUGARATNAM (Jurong), Deputy Prime Minister and Coordinating Minister for Economic and Social Policies.

Assoc Prof WALTER THESEIRA (Nominated Member).

Ms TIN PEI LING (MacPherson).

Mr EDWIN TONG CHUN FAI (Marine Parade), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Law and Ministry of Health.

Mr VIKRAM NAIR (Sembawang).

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

Mr LAWRENCE WONG (Marsiling-Yew Tee), Minister for National Development and Second Minister for Finance.

Prof YAACOB IBRAHIM (Jalan Besar).

Mr ALEX YAM ZIMING (Marsiling-Yew Tee).

Mr YEE CHIA HSING (Chua Chu Kang).

Ms YIP PIN XIU (Nominated Member).

Mr MELVIN YONG YIK CHYE (Tanjong Pagar).

Mr ZAINAL SAPARI (Pasir Ris-Punggol).

Mr ZAQY MOHAMAD (Chua Chu Kang), Minister of State, Ministry of National Development and Ministry of Manpower.

ABSENT:

Mr S ISWARAN (West Coast), Minister for Communications and Information and Minister-incharge of Trade Relations.

Mr KHAW BOON WAN (Sembawang), Coordinating Minister for Infrastructure and Minister for Transport.

Mr LIM SWEE SAY (East Coast).

Ms SUN XUELING (Pasir Ris-Punggol), Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs and Ministry of National Development.

Mr TEO SER LUCK (Pasir Ris-Punggol).

- 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:
 - Health Products (Oral Dental Gums) (Amendment) Regulations 2019 Presented on 20 February 2019 (S. L. 595 of 2019).
 - 1.2 Poisons (Amendment) Rules 2019 Presented on 20 February 2019 (S. L. 596 of 2019).
 - Goods and Services Tax Act (Amendment of Fourth Schedule) Order 2019 Presented on 20 February 2019 (S. L. 597 of 2019).
 - 1.4 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Precious Stones and Precious Metals (Prevention of Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing Bill [Bill No 1/2019] – Presented on 21 February 2019 (Pres. Co. 123 of 2019).
 - 1.5 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners (Amendment) Bill [Bill No 2/2019] – Presented on 21 February 2019 (Pres. Co. 124 of 2019).
 - Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Tobacco (Control of Advertisements and Sale) (Amendment) Bill [Bill No 3/2019] – Presented on 21 February 2019 (Pres. Co. 125 of 2019).
 - 1.7 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the National Parks Board (Amendment) Bill [Bill No 4/2019] Presented on 21 February 2019 (Pres. Co. 126 of 2019).
 - Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Singapore Food Agency Bill [Bill No 5/2019] – Presented on 21 February 2019 (Pres. Co. 127 of 2019).
 - Road Traffic (Electronic Road Pricing System) (Amendment) Rules 2019 Presented on 21 February 2019 (S. L. 598 of 2019).
 - 1.10 Road Traffic (International Circulation) (Amendment) Rules 2019 Presented on 21 February 2019 (S. L. 599 of 2019).
- 2 5 Questions for Oral Answer were answered during Question Time.
- Supply Bill "to provide for the issue from the Consolidated Fund and the Development Fund of the sums necessary to meet the estimated expenditure for the financial year 1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020" – President's recommendation signified and Bill presented by the Minister for Finance; read the first time; to be read a second time after the conclusion of proceedings on the Estimates of Expenditure for FY2019/20 and to be printed. [Bill No. 8/2019].

- 4 Supplementary Supply (FY 2018) Bill "to make supplementary provision to meet additional expenditure for the financial year 1 April 2018 to 31 March 2019" – President's recommendation signified and Bill presented by the Minister for Finance; read the first time; to be read a second time after the conclusion of proceedings on the Estimates of Expenditure for FY2019/20 and to be printed. [Bill No. 9/2019].
- 5 Budget Statement Order read for resumed Debate on Question (18 February 2019), "That Parliament approves the financial policy of the Government for the financial year 1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020.". (Minister for Finance).

Question again proposed; Debate resumed.

- 6 Extension of Sitting Pursuant to Standing Order 2(5)(d), Mr Deputy Speaker (Mr Charles Chong) extended the sitting beyond the moment of interruption for a period of up to 30 minutes.
- 7 Budget Statement (Minister for Finance) Debate resumed on Question, "That Parliament approves the financial policy of the Government for the financial year 1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020.".
- 8 Exempted Business (Leader of the House) (with the consent of Mr Deputy Speaker (Mr Charles Chong) and general assent of Members present) Motion made, and Question put "That the proceedings on the business set down on the Order Paper for today be proceeded with beyond the time extended by Mr Deputy Speaker.".
- 9 Budget Statement (Minister for Finance) Debate resumed on Question, "That Parliament approves the financial policy of the Government for the financial year 1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020.".

With the consent of Mr Deputy Speaker (Mr Charles Chong), Motion made and Question put – Resolved, That the debate be now adjourned.". – (Leader of the House).

Debate to be resumed Tomorrow.

10 Adjournment – (Leader of the House) – Resolved, "That Parliament do now adjourn to 1.00 pm tomorrow.".

Adjourned at 7.35 pm

TAN CHUAN-JIN, Speaker

MEMORANDUM

Mr Speaker will take the Chair again at 1.00 pm on Wednesday, 27 February 2019.