

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

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**First Session**

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MONDAY, 10 MAY 2021

*No. 29*

**12 noon**

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PRESENT:

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

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 Transport.

Miss CHERYL CHAN WEI LING (East Coast).

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

Mr MARK CHAY (Nominated Member).

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

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, Coordinating Minister for Economic Policies and Minister for Finance.

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 Communications and Information 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.

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.

Mr MURALI PILLAI (Bukit Batok).

Ms NADIA AHMAD SAMDIN (Ang Mo Kio).

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

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 Transport.

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 RAEESAH KHAN (Sengkang).

Ms RAHAYU MAHZAM (Jurong), Parliamentary Secretary, 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 Communications and Information and Ministry of National Development and Deputy Government Whip.

Mr SITOY 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.

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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, Prime Minister's Office and Ministry of National Development.

Dr TAN SEE LENG (Marine Parade), Minister, Prime Minister's Office, Second 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 Manpower 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 Education and Second 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).

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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).

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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 Central Provident Fund (Education Scheme) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 – Presented on 6 April 2021 (S. L. 198 of 2021)
  - 1.2 Central Provident Fund (New Retirement Sum Scheme) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 – Presented on 6 April 2021 (S. L. 199 of 2021)
  - 1.3 Central Provident Fund (Revised Retirement Sum Scheme) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 – Presented on 6 April 2021 (S. L. 200 of 2021)
  - 1.4 Central Provident Fund (Retirement Sum Topping-Up Scheme) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 – Presented on 6 April 2021 (S. L. 201 of 2021)
  - 1.5 Central Provident Fund (Topping-Up of Special Account) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 – Presented on 6 April 2021 (S. L. 202 of 2021)
  - 1.6 Central Provident Fund (Approved Housing Schemes) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 – Presented on 6 April 2021 (S. L. 203 of 2021)
  - 1.7 Central Provident Fund (Approved Middle-Income Housing Scheme) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 – Presented on 6 April 2021 (S. L. 204 of 2021)
  - 1.8 Central Provident Fund (Approved HDB-HUDC Housing Scheme) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 – Presented on 6 April 2021 (S. L. 205 of 2021)
  - 1.9 Central Provident Fund (Ministry of Defence Housing Scheme) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 – Presented on 6 April 2021 (S. L. 206 of 2021)
  - 1.10 Central Provident Fund (Non-Residential Properties Scheme) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 – Presented on 6 April 2021 (S. L. 207 of 2021)
  - 1.11 Central Provident Fund (Residential Properties Scheme) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 – Presented on 6 April 2021 (S. L. 208 of 2021)
  - 1.12 Central Provident Fund (Division of Fund-Related Assets in Matrimonial Proceedings) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 – Presented on 6 April 2021 (S. L. 209 of 2021)
  - 1.13 Central Provident Fund (Medisave Account Transfers) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 – Presented on 6 April 2021 (S. L. 210 of 2021)
  - 1.14 Central Provident Fund (Public Sector Employees) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 – Presented on 6 April 2021 (S. L. 211 of 2021)
  - 1.15 COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) (Control Order) (Amendment No. 4) Regulations 2021 – Presented on 7 April 2021 (S. L. 212 of 2021)
  - 1.16 COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) (Performances and Other Activities – Control Order) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 2021 – Presented on 7 April 2021 (S. L. 213 of 2021)
  - 1.17 Road Traffic (Vehicular Emissions Tax) (Amendment) Rules 2021 – Presented on 9 April 2021 (S. L. 214 of 2021)
  - 1.18 Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Quota System) (Amendment) Rules 2021 – Presented on 9 April 2021 (S. L. 215 of 2021)
  - 1.19 Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Registration and Licensing) (Amendment) Rules 2021 – Presented on 9 April 2021 (S. L. 216 of 2021)

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- 1.20 Financial (Amendment) Regulations 2021 – Presented on 12 April 2021 (S. L. 217 of 2021)
  - 1.21 Environmental Public Health (Public Cleansing) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 – Presented on 13 April 2021 (S. L. 218 of 2021)
  - 1.22 Hydrogen Cyanide (Fumigation) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 – Presented on 13 April 2021 (S. L. 219 of 2021)
  - 1.23 Environmental Public Health (Cemeteries) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 – Presented on 13 April 2021 (S. L. 220 of 2021)
  - 1.24 Environmental Public Health (Funeral Parlours) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 – Presented on 13 April 2021 (S. L. 221 of 2021)
  - 1.25 Environmental Public Health (Toxic Industrial Waste) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 – Presented on 13 April 2021 (S. L. 222 of 2021)
  - 1.26 Environmental Protection and Management (Fees for Licences) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 – Presented on 13 April 2021 (S. L. 223 of 2021)
  - 1.27 Environmental Protection and Management (Hazardous Substances) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 – Presented on 13 April 2021 (S. L. 224 of 2021)
  - 1.28 United Nations (Anti-Terrorism Measures) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 – Presented on 14 April 2021 (S. L. 225 of 2021)
  - 1.29 Building Control (Buildability and Productivity) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 – Presented on 15 April 2021 (S. L. 226 of 2021)
  - 1.30 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) (Amendment No. 2) Bill [Bill No 10/2021] – Presented on 16 April 2021 (Pres. Co. 17 of 2021)
  - 1.31 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Postal Services (Amendment) Bill [Bill No 5/2021] – Presented on 16 April 2021 (Pres. Co. 18 of 2021)
  - 1.32 Road Traffic (Electronic Road Pricing System) (Amendment No. 2) Rules 2021 – Presented on 16 April 2021 (S. L. 227 of 2021)
  - 1.33 Corrupt Practices Investigation Bureau (CPIB) Annual Report 2020 – Presented on 21 April 2021 (Misc. 2 of 2021)
  - 1.34 Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Registration and Licensing) (Amendment No. 2) Rules 2021 – Presented on 22 April 2021 (S. L. 228 of 2021)
  - 1.35 Annual Report of the President Industrial Arbitration Court 2020 – Presented on 29 April 2021 (S. 109 of 2021)
  - 1.36 COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) (Foreign Employee Dormitories – Control Order) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 – Presented on 29 April 2021 (S. L. 229 of 2021)
  - 1.37 COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) (Control Order) (Amendment No. 5) Regulations 2021 – Presented on 29 April 2021 (S. L. 230 of 2021)
  - 1.38 COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) (Performances and Other Activities – Control Order) (Amendment No. 3) Regulations 2021 – Presented on 29 April 2021 (S. L. 231 of 2021)

- 1.39 COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) (Sporting Events and Activities – Control Order) Regulations 2021 – Presented on 29 April 2021 (S. L. 232 of 2021)
- 1.40 COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) (Major Business Events – Control Order) Regulations 2021 – Presented on 29 April 2021 (S. L. 233 of 2021)
- 1.41 Singapore Public Service Commission Annual Report 2020 – Presented on 4 May 2021 (S. 110 of 2021)
- 1.42 Summary Report of Actuarial Valuation of the Pension Fund – Presented on 5 May 2021 (S. 111 of 2021)
- 1.43 Fees (Ministry of Foreign Affairs) (Revocation) Order 2021 – Presented on 6 May 2021 (S. L. 234 of 2021)
- 2 20 Questions for Oral Answer were answered during Question Time. With leave of Mr Deputy Speaker, 2 other Questions for Oral Answer were addressed in the Ministerial Statement and 19 other Questions for Oral Answer will be addressed in the Ministerial Statements on 11 May 2021.
- 3 Ministerial Statement – Restructuring in the Local News Media – (Minister for Communications and Information).
- 4 Registration of Births and Deaths Bill – "to provide for registration of births, deaths and stillbirths, to repeal the Registration of Births and Deaths Act (Chapter 267 of the 1985 Revised Edition) and to make consequential amendments to certain other Acts" – presented by the Minister of State (Assoc Prof Dr Muhammad Faishal Ibrahim), on behalf of the Second Minister for Home Affairs; read the first time; to be read a second time on the next available sitting day and to be printed. [Bill No. 13/2021].
- 5 Mental Capacity (Amendment) Bill – "to amend the Mental Capacity Act and to make a related amendment to the Electronic Transactions Act" – presented by the Parliamentary Secretary, on behalf of the Minister for Social and Family Development; read the first time; to be read a second time on the next available sitting day and to be printed. [Bill No. 11/2021].
- 6 COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) (Amendment No. 3) Bill – "to amend the COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) Act 2020" – presented by the Minister for National Development; read the first time; on a Certificate of Urgency under Standing Order No. 86, to be read a second time on 11 May 2021 – (Copies of the Bill handed to Members present). [Bill No. 12/2021].
- 7 Significant Infrastructure Government Loan Bill – (Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance) – Motion made, and Question proposed, "That the Bill be now read a second time."; Debate arising.
- 8 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.".
- 9 Significant Infrastructure Government Loan Bill – Debate resumed on Question, "That the Bill be now read a second time.".
- 10 Time Limit for Speeches – (Leader of the House) – (with the consent of Mr Speaker and the general assent of Members present) – Motion made, and Question put – Resolved, "That the proceedings on the item under discussion be exempted from the provisions of Standing Order No. 48(8) to remove the time limit in respect of the Deputy Prime Minister's speech.".



- 11 Significant Infrastructure Government Loan Bill – Debate resumed on Question, "That the Bill be now read a second time."

Question put and agreed to. 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 – (Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance).

*(In the Committee)*

Clauses 1 to 33 inclusive agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, without amendment; read a third time.

- 12 Land Betterment Charge 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 Law).

*(In the Committee)*

Clauses 1 to 68 inclusive agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, without amendment; read a third time.

- 13 Adjournment – (Leader of the House) – Motion made, and Question put, Resolved, "That at its rising today, Parliament do stand adjourned to 10.30 am tomorrow."

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

And the Question having been proposed at 9.02 pm and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr Speaker adjourned Parliament without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order.

Adjourned at 9.32 pm

TAN CHUAN-JIN,  
*Speaker*

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**MEMORANDUM**

Mr Speaker will take the Chair again at 10.30 am on Tuesday, 11 May 2021.

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