

**FIFTEENTH PARLIAMENT OF SINGAPORE  
(FIRST SESSION)**

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS  
TUESDAY, 24 FEBRUARY 2026**

No. 18

11.00 am

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PRESENT:

Mr SPEAKER [Mr Seah Kian Peng (Marine Parade-Braddell Heights)]  
Mr ABDUL MUHAIMIN ABDUL MALIK (Sengkang)  
Mr ANG WEI NENG (West Coast-Jurong West)  
Mr AZHAR OTHMAN (Nominated Member)  
Mr BAEY YAM KENG (Tampines), Minister of State, Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth and Ministry of Transport  
Mr CAI YINZHOU (Bishan-Toa Payoh)  
Mr CHAN CHUN SING (Tanjong Pagar), Coordinating Minister for Public Services and Minister for Defence  
Mr CHEE HONG TAT (Bishan-Toa Payoh), Minister for National Development  
Dr CHARLENE CHEN (Tampines)  
Ms ELYSA CHEN (Bishan-Toa Payoh)  
Mr EDWARD CHIA BING HUI (Holland-Bukit Timah)  
Ms EILEEN CHONG PEI SHAN (Non-Constituency Member)  
Mr DESMOND CHOO (Tampines Changkat), Minister of State, Ministry of Defence  
Dr CHOO PEI LING (Chua Chu Kang)  
Mr ERIC CHUA (Queenstown), Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Law 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  
Mr DINESH VASU DASH (East Coast), Minister of State, Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth and Ministry of Manpower  
Mr FOO CEXIANG (Tanjong Pagar)  
Ms GRACE FU HAI YIEN (Jurong East-Bukit Batok), Minister for Sustainability and the Environment and Minister-in-charge of Trade Relations  
Mr GAN KIM YONG (Punggol), Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and Industry  
Ms GAN SIOW HUANG (Marymount), Minister of State, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Trade and Industry  
Ms GHO SZE KEE (Mountbatten)  
Mr GERALD GIAM YEAN SONG (Aljunied)  
Ms GOH HANYAN (Nee Soon), Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth and Ministry of Sustainability and the Environment  
Mr GOH PEI MING (Marine Parade-Braddell Heights), Minister of State, Ministry of Home Affairs and Ministry of Social and Family Development  
Assoc Prof KENNETH GOH (Nominated Member)  
Dr HAMID RAZAK (West Coast-Jurong West)  
Dr HARESH SINGARAJU (Nominated Member)  
Ms HAZLINA ABDUL HALIM (East Coast)  
Ms HE TING RU (Sengkang)

Assoc Prof TERENCE HO (Nominated Member)  
Mr DAVID HOE (Jurong East-Bukit Batok)  
Mr SHAWN HUANG WEI ZHONG (West Coast-Jurong West), Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Finance and Ministry of Manpower  
Ms INDRANEE RAJAH (Pasir Ris-Changi), Minister, Prime Minister's Office, Second Minister for Finance, Second Minister for National Development and Leader of the House  
Dr JANIL PUTHUCHEARY (Punggol), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Education and Ministry of Sustainability and the Environment and Government Whip  
Dr KOH POH KOON (Tampines), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Health and Ministry of Manpower  
Ms KUAH BOON THENG (Nominated Member)  
Mr KWEK HIAN CHUAN HENRY (Kebun Baru)  
Mr GABRIEL LAM (Sembawang)  
Mr JACKSON LAM (Nee Soon)  
Ms JASMIN LAU (Ang Mo Kio), Minister of State, Ministry of Digital Development and Information and Ministry of Education  
Ms CASSANDRA LEE (West Coast-Jurong West)  
Mr DESMOND LEE (West Coast-Jurong West), Minister for Education and Minister-in-charge of Social Services Integration  
Mr MARK LEE (Nominated Member)  
Mr LEE HONG CHUANG (Jurong East-Bukit Batok)  
Mr LEE HSIEN LOONG (Ang Mo Kio), Senior Minister  
Ms LEE HUI YING (Nee Soon)  
Ms VALERIE LEE (Pasir Ris-Changi)  
Mr LIANG ENG HWA (Bukit Panjang)  
Assoc Prof JAMUS JEROME LIM (Sengkang)  
Ms SYLVIA LIM (Aljunied)  
Mr SHAWN LOH (Jalan Besar)  
Ms LOW YEN LING (Bukit Gombak), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth and Ministry of Trade and Industry  
Mr LOW WU YANG ANDRE (Non-Constituency Member)  
Mr VICTOR LYE (Ang Mo Kio)  
Ms MARIAM JAAFAR (Sembawang)  
Mr MASAGOS ZULKIFLI B M M (Tampines), Minister for Social and Family Development  
Assoc Prof Dr MUHAMMAD FAISHAL IBRAHIM (Marine Parade-Braddell Heights), Acting Minister-in-charge of Muslim Affairs and Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Home Affairs  
Mr MURALI PILLAI (Jurong East-Bukit Batok), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Law and Ministry of Transport  
Ms NADIA AHMAD SAMDIN (Ang Mo Kio)  
Dr NEO KOK BENG (Nominated Member)  
Mr DAVID NEO (Tampines), Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth and Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Education  
Mr NG CHEE MENG (Jalan Kayu)  
Mr NG SHI XUAN (Sembawang)  
Miss RACHEL ONG (Tanjong Pagar)  
Mr ONG YE KUNG (Sembawang), Coordinating Minister for Social Policies and Minister for Health  
Ms DIANA PANG LI YEN (Marine Parade-Braddell Heights)  
Ms JOAN PEREIRA (Tanjong Pagar)

Ms DENISE PHUA LAY PENG (Jalan Besar)  
Ms POH LI SAN (Sembawang West)  
Prof KENNETH POON (Nominated Member)  
Mr PRITAM SINGH (Aljunied)  
Ms RAHAYU MAHZAM (Jurong East-Bukit Batok), Minister of State, Ministry of Digital Development and Information and Ministry of Health  
Mr SAKTIANDI SUPAAT (Bishan-Toa Payoh)  
Mr SANJEEV KUMAR TIWARI (Nominated Member)  
Mr K SHANMUGAM (Nee Soon), Coordinating Minister for National Security and Minister for Home Affairs  
Mr SHARAEEL TAHA (Pasir Ris-Changi)  
Ms SIM ANN (Holland-Bukit Timah), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Home Affairs and Deputy Government Whip  
Mr JEFFREY SIOW (Chua Chu Kang), Acting Minister for Transport and Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Finance  
Ms HANY SOH (Marsiling-Yew Tee)  
Ms SUN XUELING (Punggol), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of National Development and Ministry of Transport  
Dr SYED HARUN ALHABSYI (Nee Soon), Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Education and Ministry of National Development  
Mr ALVIN TAN (Tanjong Pagar), Minister of State, Ministry of National Development and Ministry of Trade and Industry  
Mr DENNIS TAN LIP FONG (Hougang)  
Mr DESMOND TAN (Pasir Ris-Changi), Senior Minister of State, Prime Minister's Office  
Mr TAN KIAT HOW (East Coast), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Digital Development and Information and Ministry of Health  
Dr TAN SEE LENG (Chua Chu Kang), Minister for Manpower  
Ms JESSICA TAN SOON NEO (East Coast)  
Mr PATRICK TAY TECK GUAN (Pioneer)  
Mrs JOSEPHINE TEO (Jalan Besar), Minister for Digital Development and Information  
Ms TIN PEI LING (Marine Parade-Braddell Heights)  
Mr KENNETH TIONG BOON KIAT (Aljunied)  
Mr EDWIN TONG CHUN FAI (East Coast), Minister for Law and Second Minister for Home Affairs  
Mr VIKRAM NAIR (Sembawang)  
Dr VIVIAN BALAKRISHNAN (Holland-Bukit Timah), Minister for Foreign Affairs  
Dr WAN RIZAL (Jalan Besar)  
Mr LAWRENCE WONG (Marsiling-Yew Tee), Prime Minister and Minister for Finance  
Mr XIE YAO QUAN (Jurong Central), Deputy Speaker  
Mr ALEX YAM ZIMING (Marsiling-Yew Tee)  
Mr ALEX YEO (Potong Pasir)  
Ms YEO WAN LING (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 Sustainability and the Environment and Deputy Leader of the House

## ABSENT:

Mr FADLI FAWZI (Aljunied)

Mr ZHULKARNAIN ABDUL RAHIM (Chua Chu Kang), Minister of State, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Social and Family Development

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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 Customs (Duties) (Amendment) Order 2026 – Presented on 19 February 2026 (S. L. 281 of 2026)
    - 1.2 Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Registration and Licensing) (Amendment) Rules 2026 – Presented on 20 February 2026 (S. L. 282 of 2026)
    - 1.3 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Land Transport and Related Matters Bill [Bill No. 1/2026] – Presented on 20 February 2026 (Pres. Co. 14 of 2026)
    - 1.4 Insolvency, Restructuring and Dissolution (Prescribed Criteria and Circumstances under Sections 72F and 250F) (Amendment) Order 2026 – Presented on 24 February 2026 (S. L. 283 of 2026)
    - 1.5 Insolvency, Restructuring and Dissolution (Modifications to Specified Acts under Section 72U) (Revocation) Order 2026 – Presented on 24 February 2026 (S. L. 284 of 2026)
    - 1.6 Fees (Winding Up and Dissolution of Companies and Other Bodies) (Amendment) Order 2026 – Presented on 24 February 2026 (S. L. 285 of 2026)
  - 2 6 Questions for Oral Answer were answered during Question Time.
  - 3 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 2026 to 31 March 2027" – President's recommendation signified and Bill presented by the Second Minister for Finance (Ms Indranee Rajah); read the first time; to be read a second time after the conclusion of proceedings on the Estimates of Expenditure for FY2026/2027 and to be printed. [Bill No. 4/2026].
  - 4 Supplementary Supply (FY 2025) Bill – "to make supplementary provision to meet additional expenditure for the financial year 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026" – President's recommendation signified and Bill presented by the Second Minister for Finance (Ms Indranee Rajah); read the first time; to be read a second time after the conclusion of proceedings on the Estimates of Expenditure for FY2026/2027 and to be printed. [Bill No. 5/2026].

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- 5 Budget Statement – Order read for resumed Debate on Question (12 February 2026), "That Parliament approves the financial policy of the Government for the financial year 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2027." – (Prime Minister and Minister for Finance).  
Question again proposed; Debate resumed.
- 6 Extension of Sitting – Pursuant to Standing Order No 91(3)(d), Speaker extended the sitting beyond the moment of interruption for a period of up to 30 minutes.
- 7 Budget Statement – (Prime Minister and Minister for Finance) – Debate resumed on Question, "That Parliament approves the financial policy of the Government for the financial year 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2027." – (Prime Minister and Minister for Finance).
- 8 Adjournment of Debate – (Second Minister for Finance (Ms Indranee Rajah)) – (with the consent of Speaker) – Motion made, and Question put – Resolved, "That the debate be now adjourned.".  
Debate to be resumed Tomorrow.
- 9 Adjournment – (Leader of the House) – Resolved, "That Parliament do now adjourn."

Adjourned at 7.11 pm

SEAH KIAN PENG,  
*Speaker*

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**MEMORANDUM**

Pursuant to Standing Order 2(3)(a), Mr Speaker will take the Chair again at 10.30 am on Wednesday, 25 February 2026.

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