

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

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
TUESDAY, 2 APRIL 2024**

No. 133

12 noon

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PRESENT:

Mr SPEAKER (Mr Seah Kian Peng (Marine Parade)).
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).
Ms USHA CHANDRADAS (Nominated Member).
Mr CHEE HONG TAT (Bishan-Toa Payoh), Minister for Transport and Second Minister for Finance.
Mr EDWARD CHIA BING HUI (Holland-Bukit Timah).
Mr CHONG KEE HIONG (Bishan-Toa Payoh).
Mr DESMOND CHOO (Tampines).
Mr ERIC CHUA (Tanjong Pagar) Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth and Ministry of Social and Family Development.
Mr KEITH CHUA (Nominated Member).
Mr CHUA KHENG WEE LOUIS (Sengkang).
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 and Minister-in-charge of Trade Relations.
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.
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.
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.
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 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 MARK LEE (Nominated Member).
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.
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).
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.
Mr LOUIS NG KOK KWANG (Nee Soon).
Ms NG LING LING (Ang Mo Kio).
Miss RACHEL ONG (West Coast).
Mr ONG HUA HAN (Nominated Member).
Mr ONG YE KUNG (Sembawang), Minister for Health.
Mr NEIL PAREKH NIMIL RAJNIKANT (Nominated Member).
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.
Assoc Prof RAZWANA BEGUM ABDUL RAHIM (Nominated Member).
Mr SAKTIANDI SUPAAT (Bishan-Toa Payoh).
Ms SEE JINLI JEAN (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 Foreign Affairs and Ministry of National Development and Deputy Government Whip.
Mr SITO H 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.
Dr SYED HARUN ALHABSYI (Nominated Member).
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.
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.
Ms JESSICA TAN SOON NEO (East Coast), Deputy Speaker.
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.
Mrs JOSEPHINE TEO (Jalan Besar), Minister for Communications and Information and Second Minister for Home Affairs.
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), Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance.
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 DARRYL DAVID (Ang Mo Kio).
Mr HENG SWEE KEAT (East Coast), Deputy Prime Minister and Coordinating Minister for Economic Policies.
Assoc Prof JAMUS JEROME LIM (Sengkang).
Ms MARIAM JAAFAR (Sembawang).
Mr MUHAMAD FAISAL ABDUL MANAP (Aljunied).
Ms JOAN PEREIRA (Tanjong Pagar).
Mr XIE YAO QUAN (Jurong).

- 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 Economic Expansion Incentives (Relief from Income Tax) (Revocation) Regulations 2024 – Presented on 8 March 2024 (S. L. 1071 of 2024)
 - 1.2 Public Entertainments (Demerit Points) (Amendment) Rules 2024 – Presented on 11 March 2024 (S. L. 1072 of 2024)
 - 1.3 Road Traffic (Amendment) Rules 2024 – Presented on 13 March 2024 (S. L. 1073 of 2024)
 - 1.4 Road Traffic (Expressways – Excluded Vehicles) (Amendment) Rules 2024 – Presented on 13 March 2024 (S. L. 1074 of 2024)
 - 1.5 Road Traffic (Registration of Power-Assisted Bicycles) (Amendment No. 2) Rules 2024 – Presented on 13 March 2024 (S. L. 1075 of 2024)
 - 1.6 Road Traffic (Registration of Trishaws) (Amendment) Rules 2024 – Presented on 13 March 2024 (S. L. 1076 of 2024)
 - 1.7 Road Traffic (Renewal of Certificates of Entitlement for Specified Taxis) Rules 2024 – Presented on 18 March 2024 (S. L. 1077 of 2024)
 - 1.8 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Inland Revenue Authority of Singapore (Amendment) Bill [Bill No. 5/2024] – Presented on 19 March 2024 (Pres. Co. 119 of 2024)
 - 1.9 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Enlistment and Other Matters (Amendment) Bill [Bill No. 1/2024] – Presented on 19 March 2024 (Pres. Co. 120 of 2024)
 - 1.10 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Financial Institutions (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill [Bill No. 4/2024] – Presented on 19 March 2024 (Pres. Co. 121 of 2024)
 - 1.11 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Infectious Diseases (Amendment) Bill [Bill No. 7/2024] – Presented on 19 March 2024 (Pres. Co. 122 of 2024)
 - 1.12 Building Control (Buildability and Productivity) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 – Presented on 19 March 2024 (S. L. 1078 of 2024)
 - 1.13 CareShield Life and Long-Term Care (ElderShield Scheme) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 – Presented on 25 March 2024 (S. L. 1079 of 2024)
 - 1.14 Corrigendum to Community Care Endowment Fund Annual Report for Financial Year 2022 – Presented on 26 March 2024 (S. 461 of 2024)
 - 1.15 Legal Profession (Admission) (Amendment) Rules 2024 – Presented on 26 March 2024 (S. L. 1080 of 2024)
 - 1.16 Significant Investments Review (Reviewing Tribunal) Rules 2024 – Presented on 1 April 2024 (S. L. 1081 of 2024)

2 Announcement by Speaker – Mr Speaker made the following communication to the House:-

"I wish to inform Members that under the provisions of Standing Order No 102, I have on 19 March 2024 nominated Ms Nadia Ahmad Samdin to fill a vacancy in the House Committee and Mr Murali Pillai to fill a vacancy in the Public Petitions Committee. The nominations took effect from 19 March 2024."

3 16 Questions for Oral Answer were answered during Question Time.

4 Goods and Services Tax (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 Finance (Mr Chee Hong Tat)).

(In the Committee)

Clauses 1 to 4 inclusive agreed to.

The Schedule agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, without amendment; read a third time.

5 Law Enforcement 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 – (Second Minister for Home Affairs).

(In the Committee)

Clauses 1 to 15 inclusive agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, without amendment; read a third time.

6 Mental Capacity (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 – (Senior Parliamentary Secretary, on behalf of the Minister for Social and Family Development).

(In the Committee)

Clauses 1 to 3 inclusive agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, without amendment; read a third time.

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- 7 Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Bill – (Minister of State (Mr Alvin Tan), on behalf of the Minister for Culture, Community and Youth) – Motion made, and Question proposed, "That the Bill be now read a second time."; Debate arising.
- 8 Adjournment of Debate – (Minister of State (Mr Alvin Tan) – Motion made, and Question put – Resolved, "That the debate be now adjourned."
Debate to be resumed Tomorrow.
- 9 Adjournment – (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 6.25 pm

SEAH KIAN PENG,
Speaker

MEMORANDUM

Pursuant to Standing Order No. 2(3)(a), Mr Speaker will take the Chair again at 12 noon on Wednesday, 3 April 2024.
