# FOURTEENTH PARLIAMENT OF SINGAPORE (SECOND SESSION)

# **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS MONDAY, 9 SEPTEMBER 2024**

No. 140

12 noon

### 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 CHONG KEE HIONG (Bishan-Toa Payoh).

Mr DESMOND CHOO (Tampines).

Mr KEITH CHUA (Nominated Member).

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 and Minister-incharge of Trade Relations.

Mr GAN KIM YONG (Chua Chu Kang), Deputy Prime Minister and 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 HENG SWEE KEAT (East Coast), Deputy Prime Minister.

Mr SHAWN HUANG WEI ZHONG (Jurong), Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Education and Ministry of Finance.

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 Digital Development 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).

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Mr DESMOND LEE (West Coast), Minister for National Development and Minister-in-charge of Social Services Integration. Mr LEE HSIEN LOONG (Ang Mo Kio), Senior Minister. Mr MARK LEE (Nominated Member) 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), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth and Ministry of Trade and Industry. 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), Minister of State, Ministry of Law and Ministry of Transport. Ms NADIA AHMAD SAMDIN (Ang Mo Kio). 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 JOAN PEREIRA (Tanjong Pagar). 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), Minister of State, Ministry of Digital Development and Information and Ministry of Health. 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). Mr SITOH 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), 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 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).

Mrs JOSEPHINE TEO (Jalan Besar), Minister for Digital Development and Information and Second Minister for Home Affairs.

Mr RAJ JOSHUA THOMAS (Nominated Member).

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

Mr VIKRAM NAIR (Sembawang).

Mr DON WEE (Chua Chu Kang).

Mr LAWRENCE WONG (Marsiling-Yew Tee), 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 ZHULKARNAIN ABDUL RAHIM (Chua Chu Kang).

## ABSENT:

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

Mr ERIC CHUA (Tanjong Pagar) Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth and Ministry of Social and Family Development.

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

Ms SIM ANN (Holland-Bukit Timah), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of National Development and Deputy Government Whip.

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

Ms TIN PEI LING (MacPherson).

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

Dr WAN RIZAL (Jalan Besar).

Mr ZAQY MOHAMAD (Marsiling-Yew Tee), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Defence and Ministry of Manpower and Deputy Leader of the House.

- 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:
  - Criminal Procedure Code (Compensation Order) Rules 2024 Presented on 8 August 2024 (S. L. 1195 of 2024)
  - 1.2 National Council of Social Service (NCSS) Annual Report FY2023 Presented on 19 August 2024 (S. 484 of 2024)
  - 1.3 Health Promotion Board Annual Report 2023/2024 Presented on 19 August 2024 (S. 485 of 2024)
  - 1.4 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Anti-Money Laundering and Other Matters Bill [Bill No. 20/2024] – Presented on 23 August 2024 (Pres. Co. 132 of 2024)
  - 1.5 Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Land Surveyors (Amendment)
    Bill [Bill No. 21/2024] Presented on 23 August 2024 (Pres. Co. 133 of 2024)
  - Report of the Presidential Council for Minority Rights on the Good Samaritan Food Donation
    Bill [Bill No. 22/2024] Presented on 23 August 2024 (Pres. Co. 134 of 2024)
  - Singapore Examinations and Assessment Board (SEAB) Annual Report and Financial Statements for the Financial Year Ended 31 March 2024 – Presented on 26 August 2024 (S. 486 of 2024)
  - 1.8 Elderly Care Endowment Scheme Annual Report for the Financial Year from 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024 – Presented on 26 August 2024 (S. 487 of 2024)
  - Merdeka Generation Fund Audited Financial Statements for the Financial Year from 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024 – Presented on 27 August 2024 (S. 488 of 2024)
  - 1.10 Presidential Council for Minority Rights Annual Report for the period from 1 August 2023 to 31 July 2024 Presented on 27 August 2024 (Cmd. 31 of 2024)
  - 1.11 Singapore Medical Council Annual Report 2023 Presented on 28 August 2024 (S. 489 of 2024)
  - 1.12 Singapore Nursing Board Annual Report 2023 Presented on 28 August 2024 (S. 490 of 2024)
  - 1.13 Singapore Dental Council Annual Report 2023 Presented on 28 August 2024 (S. 491 of 2024)
  - 1.14 Singapore Pharmacy Council Annual Report 2023 Presented on 28 August 2024 (S. 492 of 2024)
  - 1.15 Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners Board Annual Report 2023 Presented on 28 August 2024 (S. 493 of 2024)
  - 1.16 Customs (Authorised Piers and Places) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 Presented on 29 August 2024 (S. L. 1196 of 2024)

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1.17	Animals and Birds (Pet Shop and Exhibition) (Amendment) Rules 2024 – Presented on 2 September 2024 (S. L. 1197 of 2024)
1.18	Animals and Birds (Licensing of Farms) (Amendment) Rules 2024 – Presented on 2 September 2024 (S. L. 1198 of 2024)
1.19	Animals and Birds (Dog Licensing and Control) (Amendment) Rules 2024 – Presented on 2 September 2024 (S. L. 1199 of 2024)
1.20	Animals and Birds (Prevention of Avian Disease in Non-Commercial Poultry) (Amendment) Rules 2024 – Presented on 2 September 2024 (S. L. 1200 of 2024)
1.21	Inland Revenue Authority of Singapore Annual Report and Financial Statements for FY2023/24 – Presented on 3 September 2024 (S. 494 of 2024)
1.22	Organised Crime Act 2015 (Amendment of Schedule) (No. 2) Order 2024 – Presented on 4 September 2024 (S. L. 1201 of 2024)
1.23	Health Sciences Authority Annual Report 2023/2024 – Presented on 4 September 2024 (S. 495 of 2024)
1.24	Civil Service College Annual Report and Financial Statements 2023/2024 – Presented on 5 September 2024 (S. 496 of 2024)
1.25	Air Navigation (121 – Commercial Air Transport by Large Aeroplanes) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 – Presented on 5 September 2024 (S. L. 1202 of 2024)
1.26	Air Navigation (135 – Commercial Air Transport by Helicopters and Small Aeroplanes) (Amendment) Regulations 2024 – Presented on 5 September 2024 (S. L. 1203 of 2024)
1.27	Institute of Technical Education – Report and Financial Statements for the Financial Year Ended 31 March 2024 – Presented on 9 September 2024 (S. 497 of 2024)
1.28	Nanyang Polytechnic – Report and Financial Statements for the Financial Year Ended 31 March 2024 – Presented on 9 September 2024 (S. 498 of 2024)
1.29	Ngee Ann Polytechnic – Report and Financial Statements for the Financial Year Ended 31 March 2024 – Presented on 9 September 2024 (S. 499 of 2024)
1.30	Republic Polytechnic – Report and Financial Statements for the Financial Year Ended 31 March 2024 – Presented on 9 September 2024 (S. 500 of 2024)
1.31	Singapore Polytechnic – Report and Financial Statements for the Financial Year Ended 31 March 2024 – Presented on 9 September 2024 (S. 501 of 2024)
1.32	Temasek Polytechnic – Report and Financial Statements for the Financial Year Ended 31 March 2024 – Presented on 9 September 2024 (S. 502 of 2024)
1.33	Lifelong Learning Endowment Fund (LLEF) – Report and Financial Statements for the Financial Year Ended 31 March 2024 – Presented on 9 September 2024 (S. 503 of 2024)
1.34	SkillsFuture Singapore – Report and Financial Statements for the Financial Year Ended 31 March 2024 – Presented on 9 September 2024 (S. 504 of 2024)

- 1.35 ISEAS-Yusof Ishak Institute Report and Financial Statements for the Financial Year Ended
  31 March 2024 Presented on 9 September 2024 (S. 505 of 2024)
- 2 17 Questions for Oral Answer were answered during Question Time.
- 3 Income Tax (Amendment) Bill "to amend the Income Tax Act 1947" President's recommendation signified and Bill presented by the Second Minister for Finance (Mr Chee Hong Tat); read the first time; to be read a second time on the next available sitting day and to be printed. [Bill No. 32/2024].
- 4 Multinational Enterprise (Minimum Tax) Bill "to implement the Global Anti-Base Erosion Model Rules (Pillar 2) relating to the top-up tax under the Income Inclusion Rule (IIR), to make provision for a domestic minimum top-up tax within the meaning of those Model Rules, and to make related amendments to certain other Acts" – President's recommendation signified and Bill presented by the Second Minister for Finance (Mr Chee Hong Tat); read the first time; to be read a second time on the next available sitting day and to be printed. [Bill No. 33/2024].
- 5 Statutes (Miscellaneous Amendments) (No. 2) Bill "to make miscellaneous amendments to certain Acts" presented by the Minister of State (Mr Murali Pillai), on behalf of the Minister for Law; read the first time; to be read a second time on the next available sitting day and to be printed. [Bill No. 28/2024].
- 6 Central Provident Fund (Amendment) Bill "to amend the Central Provident Fund Act 1953" presented by the Minister for Manpower; read the first time; to be read a second time on the next available sitting day and to be printed. [Bill No. 31/2024].
- Elections (Integrity of Online Advertising) (Amendment) Bill "to amend the Parliamentary Elections Act 1954 and the Presidential Elections Act 1991 to prohibit the publication of online election advertising containing certain digitally generated or manipulated content about candidates, and for related purposes"
  presented by the Minister of State (Ms Rahayu Mahzam), on behalf of the Minister for Digital Development and Information; read the first time; to be read a second time on the next available sitting day and to be printed. [Bill No. 29/2024].
- 8 Community Disputes Resolution (Amendment) Bill "to amend the Community Disputes Resolution Act 2015 and to make related and consequential amendments to the Community Mediation Centres Act 1997, the Housing and Development Act 1959, the Police Force Act 2004 and certain other Acts, to provide for a community disputes management framework amongst neighbours and to enhance the powers and processes of Community Disputes Resolution Tribunals" – presented by the Senior Minister of State (Ms Low Yen Ling), on behalf of the Minister for Culture, Community and Youth; read the first time; to be read a second time on the next available sitting day and to be printed. [Bill No. 30/2024].
- 9 Energy Transition Measures and Other 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 Trade and Industry).

#### (In the Committee)

Clauses 1 to 49 inclusive agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, without amendment; read a third time.

- 10 Time Limit for Speeches (Leader of the House) (with the consent of Mr Deputy 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 48(8) in respect of Senior Minister of State Koh Poh Koon's speech on item 2 of today's Order Paper.".
- 11 Platform Workers Bill (Senior Minister of State (Dr Koh Poh Koon), on behalf of the Minister for Manpower) – Motion made, and Question proposed, "That the Bill be now read a second time."; Debate arising.
- 12 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.".
- 13 Platform Workers Bill (Senior Minister of State (Dr Koh Poh Koon), on behalf of the Minister for Manpower) – Debate resumed on Question, "That the Bill be now read a second time.".
- 14 Adjournment of Debate (Senior Minister of State (Dr Koh Poh Koon), on behalf of the Minister for Manpower) – Motion made, and Question put – Resolved, "That the debate be now adjourned.".

Debate to be resumed Tomorrow.

15 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 9.07 pm

SEAH KIAN PENG, Speaker

#### **MEMORANDUM**

Pursuant to Standing Order No. 2(3)(a), Mr Speaker will take the Chair again at 11.00 am on Tuesday, 10 September 2024.