VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOURTEENTH PARLIAMENT OF SINGAPORE

First Session

WEDNESDAY, 3 NOVEMBER 2021

No. 43 **1.30 pm** 1

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.

Mr CHAN CHUN SING (Tanjong Pagar), Minister for Education.

Miss CHERYL CHAN WEI LING (East Coast).

Mr MARK CHAY (Nominated Member).

Mr CHEE HONG TAT (Bishan-Toa Payoh), Senior Minister of State, 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 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 and Coordinating Minister for Economic Policies.

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 Transport 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 and Ministry of Manpower.

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.

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).

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 Health.

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 Communications and Information and Ministry of Health.

Mr SAKTIANDI SUPAAT (Bishan-Toa Payoh).

Mr SEAH KIAN PENG (Marine Parade).

Dr SHAHIRA ABDULLAH (Nominated Member).

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 SITOH 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.

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, 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.

Dr TAN WU MENG (Jurong).

Dr TAN YIA SWAM (Nominated Member).

Mr PATRICK TAY TECK GUAN (Pioneer).

Mrs JOSEPHINE TEO (Jalan Besar), Minister for Communications and Information 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 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 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:

Dr MOHAMAD MALIKI BIN OSMAN (East Coast), Minister, Prime Minister's Office, Second Minister for Education and Second Minister for Foreign Affairs.

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

Mr K SHANMUGAM (Nee Soon), Minister for Home Affairs and Minister for Law.

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

- 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 Monetary Authority of Singapore (Resolution of Financial Institutions) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 2021 Presented on 3 November 2021 (S. L. 372 of 2021)
 - 1.2 Central Provident Fund (Withdrawals for ElderShield Scheme) (Revocation) Regulations 2021 Presented on 3 November 2021 (S. L. 373 of 2021)
 - 1.3 Central Provident Fund (Withdrawal of Cash Grants) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 Presented on 3 November 2021 (S. L. 374 of 2021)
 - 1.4 Central Provident Fund (MediSave Account Withdrawals Medical Insurance Premiums) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 Presented on 3 November 2021 (S. L. 375 of 2021)
- 2 Announcement by Speaker Mr Speaker made the following communication to the House:-

"I wish to inform honourable Members that pursuant to Standing Order No 100(7)(a)(ii), I have on 2 November 2021 nominated Mr Edwin Tong and Ms Rahayu Mahzam to the Committee of Privileges, to take the place of Mr K Shanmugam and Ms Indranee Rajah, on the matter of a complaint made against the Member of Sengkang GRC, Ms Raeesah Khan.

Mr Edwin Tong and Ms Rahayu Mahzam will serve as Members of the Committee until the Committee has reported upon the matter referred to it."

- 3 17 Questions for Oral Answer were answered during Question Time.
- 4 Government Borrowing (Miscellaneous 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 – (Minister for Finance).

(In the Committee)

Clauses 1 to 29 inclusive agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, without amendment; read a third time.

5 Constitution of the Republic of Singapore (Amendment) Bill – (Second Minister for Law) – Motion made, and Question proposed, "That the Bill be now read a second time."

On Question put – a division was taken: Ayes 85, No Nil, Abstention Nil.

Ayes	No	Abstention
Ang Wei Neng	Nil	Nil
Baey Yam Keng		
Chan Wei Ling, Cheryl		
Chan Chun Sing		
Chee Hong Tat		
Cheng Li Hui		
Chia Bing Hui, Edward		
Chong Kee Hiong		
Choo, Desmond		
Chua, Eric		
Chua Kheng Wee, Louis		
Darryl David		

Ayes - continued

De Souza, Christopher

Fu Hai Yien, Grace

Gan Kim Yong

Gan Siow Huang

Gan Thiam Poh

Giam Yean Song, Gerald

Goh, Derrick

He Ting Ru

Heng Chee How

Heng Swee Keat

Huang Wei Zhong, Shawn

Indranee Rajah

Iswaran, S

Janil Puthucheary

Khor Lean Suan, Amy

Koh Poh Koon

Kwek Hian Chuan, Henry

Lee, Desmond

Lee Hsien Loong

Liang Eng Hwa

Lim Biow Chuan

Lim, Jamus Jerome

Lim, Sylvia

Lim Wee Kiak

Low Yen Ling

Mariam Jaafar

Masagos Zulkifli B M M

Mohd Fahmi Bin Aliman

Muhamad Faisal Abdul Manap

Muhammad Faishal Ibrahim

Murali Pillai

Nadia Ahmad Samdin

Ng Ling Ling

Ng Kok Kwang, Louis

Ong, Rachel

Pereira, Joan

Perera, Leon

Phua Lay Peng, Denise

Poh Li San

Pritam Singh

Raeesah Khan

Rahayu Mahzam

Saktiandi Supaat

Sharael Taha

Sim Ann

Sitoh Yih Pin

Soh, Hany

Sun Xueling

Tan, Alvin

Tan, Carrie

Tan Chuan-Jin

Tan Lip Fong, Dennis

Tan Soon Neo, Jessica

Tan Kiat How

Tan See Leng

Tan Wu Meng

Tay Teck Guan, Patrick

Teo, Josephine

Tharman Shanmugaratnam

Tin Pei Ling

Ayes - continued

Tong Chun Fai, Edwin Vikram Nair

Vivian Balakrishnan

Wan Rizal

Wee, Don

Wong, Lawrence

Xie Yao Quan

Yam Ziming, Alex

Yeo Wan Ling

Yip Hon Weng

Yong Yik Chye, Melvin

Zaqy Mohamad

Zhulkarnain Abdul Rahim

Bill accordingly read a second time in accordance with Article 5(2) of the Constitution of the Republic of Singapore 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 26 inclusive agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, without amendment.

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the Bill be now read a third time.". - (Second Minister for

On Question put – a division was taken: Ayes 85, No Nil, Abstention Nil.

Ayes No Abstention Ang Wei Neng Nil Nil Baey Yam Keng

Chan Wei Ling, Cheryl

Chan Chun Sing

Chee Hong Tat

Cheng Li Hui

Chia Bing Hui, Edward

Chong Kee Hiong

Choo, Desmond

Chua, Eric

Chua Kheng Wee, Louis

Darryl David

De Souza, Christopher

Fu Hai Yien, Grace

Gan Kim Yong

Gan Siow Huang

Gan Thiam Poh

Giam Yean Song, Gerald

Goh, Derrick

He Ting Ru

Heng Chee How

Heng Swee Keat

Huang Wei Zhong, Shawn

Indranee Rajah

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Ayes – continued

Janil Puthucheary

Khor Lean Suan, Amy

Koh Poh Koon

Kwek Hian Chuan, Henry

Lee, Desmond

Lee Hsien Loong

Liang Eng Hwa

Lim Biow Chuan

Lim, Jamus Jerome

Lim, Sylvia

Lim Wee Kiak

Low Yen Ling

Mariam Jaafar

Masagos Zulkifli B M M

Mohd Fahmi Bin Aliman

Muhamad Faisal Abdul Manap

Muhammad Faishal Ibrahim

Murali Pillai

Nadia Ahmad Samdin

Ng Ling Ling

Ng Kok Kwang, Louis

Ong, Rachel

Pereira, Joan

Perera, Leon

Phua Lay Peng, Denise

Poh Li San

Pritam Singh

Raeesah Khan

Rahayu Mahzam

Saktiandi Supaat

Sharael Taha

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Soh, Hany

Sun Xueling

Tan, Alvin

Tan, Carrie

Tan Chuan-Jin

Tan Lip Fong, Dennis

Tan Soon Neo, Jessica

Tan Kiat How

Tan See Leng

Tan Wu Meng

Tay Teck Guan, Patrick

Teo, Josephine

Tharman Shanmugaratnam

Tin Pei Ling

Tong Chun Fai, Edwin

Vikram Nair

Vivian Balakrishnan

Wan Rizal

Wee, Don

Wong, Lawrence

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Yip Hon Weng

Yong Yik Chye, Melvin

Zaqy Mohamad

Zhulkarnain Abdul Rahim

Bill accordingly read a third time in accordance with Article 5(2) of the Constitution of the Republic of Singapore.

6 Judicial Service (Miscellaneous 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 Law).

(In the Committee)

Clauses 1 to 15 inclusive agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Bill reported, without amendment; read a third time

- Adjournment (Leader of the House) Motion made, and Question put Resolved, "That at its rising today, Parliament do stand adjourned to a date to be fixed.".
- 8 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 6.21 pm

TAN CHUAN-JIN, Speaker

MEMORANDUM

Parliament stands adjourned to a date to be fixed.