



# THE STATUTES OF THE REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE

## CIVIL LIST AND GRATUITY ACT 1970

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# Civil List and Gratuity Act 1970

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An Act to provide a civil list and gratuity for the President of the Republic of Singapore.

[20/2012]

[1 July 1970]

### Short title

1. This Act is the Civil List and Gratuity Act 1970.

[20/2012]

PART 1  
CIVIL LIST

**Civil list of President**

2.—(1) There shall be paid for the civil list of the President so long as he holds office the yearly sums specified in the Schedule.

(2) Payments in respect of the amounts for the privy purse and entertainment allowance specified in Class 1 of the Schedule shall be made to the President.

(3) Payments of the acting President's allowance specified in Class 1 of the Schedule shall be made to the person exercising the functions of the office of President pursuant to Article 22N or 22O of the Constitution.

(4) Payments in respect of the amounts specified in Classes 2, 3 and 4 of the Schedule shall be made by or on the instructions of the Private Secretary to the President in accordance with any written law governing the disbursement of public funds.

(5) No payment in respect of the amounts specified in Class 1 of the Schedule shall be made in respect of any period during which the office of the President is vacant.

**Charge on Consolidated Fund**

3. The sums required for payments under section 2 shall be charged on and paid out of the Consolidated Fund.

**Payment**

4. The yearly sums payable under Class 1 of the Schedule shall —
- (a) accrue from day to day; and
  - (b) be payable monthly on the last day of each month or on such other day as the Minister may from time to time determine.

**Appropriation**

5.—(1) In the application of the sums paid in respect of any year under section 2, the amounts specified in the Schedule shall be

appropriated to the classes of expenditure specified therein respectively in that year.

(2) If it appears that the sum appropriated to any class of expenditure in any year will not be wholly required for the expenditure of that class in that year, the amount not so required may, with the approval of the Minister, be applied as an addition to the sum available for any other class.

(3) The sums to be expended by or on the instructions of the Private Secretary to the President in respect of Classes 2, 3 and 4 of the Schedule for any year shall be expended in that year by the Private Secretary to the President in conformity with the detailed estimates for that year submitted by him to, and approved by, the Minister.

### **Change of holder of office**

6. In the event of there being a change of holder of the office of President, there shall be made such adjustments and distribution of the annual payment due under section 2 in respect of the amounts specified for Class 1 of the Schedule as the circumstances of the case may require.

### **Variation of Schedule**

7. Parliament may, from time to time, by resolution vary the Schedule.

## PART 2

## GRATUITY

*[20/2012]*

8. *[Repealed by Act 20 of 2012]*

9. *[Repealed by Act 20 of 2012]*

### **Gratuity on death**

10. Where, after 1 July 1970, the President or a former President dies, there may be paid to his dependants or, if there are no dependants, to his legal personal representative a gratuity of such amount as Parliament may by resolution determine.

**11. [Repealed by Act 20 of 2012]****Gratuity not to be assignable**

**12.** A gratuity granted under this Act shall not be —

- (a) assignable or transferable except for the purpose of satisfying —
  - (i) a debt due to the Government; or
  - (ii) an order of any court for the payment of periodical sums of money towards the maintenance of the wife, or former wife or minor child of the former President to whom the gratuity has been granted; and
- (b) attached, sequestered or levied upon for or in respect of any debt or claim whatever except a debt due to the Government.

[20/2012]

**Gratuities to be paid out of Pension Fund**

**13.** There shall be charged on and paid out of the Pension Fund established by the Pension Fund Act 1995 all such sums of money as may, from time to time, be granted by way of gratuity in accordance with this Act.

[20/2012]

**THE SCHEDULE**

Sections 2, 4, 5(1) and (3), 6 and 7

**SUMS PAYABLE****Class 1**

(a) The privy purse	\$1,568,900
(b) Entertainment allowance	\$73,000
(c) Acting President's allowance	\$4,500

**Class 2**

Salaries of personal staff	\$6,696,700
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**Class 3**

Expenses of household	\$3,342,200
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THE SCHEDULE — *continued*

## Class 4

Special services

\$550,000

*[S 126/2023 wef 06/03/2023]**[S 772/2004; S 52/2005; S 185/2005; S 36/2006;  
S 183/2006; S 43/2007; S 37/2008; S 175/2008;  
S 139/2009; S 203/2010; S 177/2011; S 137/2012]*

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY  
CIVIL LIST AND GRATUITY ACT 1970

*(Formerly known as the Civil List and Pension Act (2002 Ed.))*

This Legislative History is a service provided by the Law Revision Commission on a best-efforts basis. It is not part of the Act.

**1. Act 10 of 1970 — Civil List and Pension Act, 1970**

Bill	:	14/1970
First Reading	:	7 May 1970
Second and Third Readings	:	21 May 1970
Commencement	:	1 July 1970

**2. Act 49 of 1970 — Civil List and Pension (Amendment) Act, 1970**

Bill	:	59/1970
First, Second and Third Readings	:	30 December 1970
Commencement	:	6 January 1971

**3. 1970 Revised Edition — Civil List and Pension Act (Chapter 52)**

Operation	:	1 April 1971
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**4. G.N. No. S 78/1973 — Parliamentary Resolution**

Passed	:	26 February 1973
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**5. G.N. No. S 317/1974 — Parliamentary Resolution**

Passed	:	6 November 1974
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**6. G.N. No. S 41/1975 — Parliamentary Resolution**

Passed	:	3 March 1975
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**7. G.N. No. S 42/1976 — Parliamentary Resolution**

Passed	:	1 March 1976
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**8. G.N. No. S 63/1977 — Parliamentary Resolution**

Passed	:	28 February 1977
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**9. G.N. No. S 92/1980 — Parliamentary Resolution**

Passed	:	27 February 1978
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- 10. G.N. No. S 93/1980 — Parliamentary Resolution**  
Passed : 5 March 1979
- 11. G.N. No. S 94/1980 — Parliamentary Resolution**  
Passed : 5 March 1980
- 12. G.N. No. S 94/1981 — Parliamentary Resolution**  
Passed : 6 March 1981
- 13. G.N. No. S 201/1982 — Parliamentary Resolution**  
Passed : 5 March 1982
- 14. G.N. No. S 77/1983 — Parliamentary Resolution**  
Passed : 4 March 1983
- 15. G.N. No. S 103/1984 — Parliamentary Resolution**  
Passed : 2 March 1984
- 16. G.N. No. S 93/1985 — Parliamentary Resolution**  
Passed : 8 March 1985
- 17. G.N. No. S 84/1986 — Parliamentary Resolution**  
Passed : 7 March 1986
- 18. G.N. No. S 100/1987 — Parliamentary Resolution**  
Passed : 4 March 1987
- 19. 1985 Revised Edition — Civil List and Pension Act (Chapter 44)**  
Operation : 30 March 1987
- 20. G.N. No. S 86/1988 — Parliamentary Resolution**  
Passed : 4 March 1988
- 21. G.N. No. S 177/1989 — Parliamentary Resolution**  
Passed : 7 April 1989
- 22. G.N. No. S 44/1991 — Parliamentary Resolution**  
Passed : 2 March 1990
- 23. G.N. No. S 163/1991 — Parliamentary Resolution**  
Passed : 1 March 1991

- 24. Act 11 of 1991 — Statutes (Miscellaneous Amendments) Act 1991**  
(Amendments made by section 2 read with item (6) of the Schedule to the above Act)
- Bill : 4/1991
- First Reading : 3 January 1991
- Second Reading : 14 January 1991
- Notice of Amendments : 14 January 1991
- Third Reading : 14 January 1991
- Commencement : 30 November 1991 (section 2 read with item (6) of the Schedule)
- 25. G.N. No. S 176/1992 — Parliamentary Resolution**
- Passed : 28 February 1992
- 26. 1994 Revised Edition — Civil List and Pension Act (Chapter 44)**
- Operation : 15 July 1994
- 27. Act 8 of 1995 — Pension Fund Act 1995**  
(Amendments made by section 18(1)(b) and (2)(a) of the above Act)
- Bill : 2/1995
- First Reading : 23 January 1995
- Second and Third Readings : 1 March 1995
- Commencement : 1 April 1995 (section 18(1)(b) and (2)(a))
- 28. G.N. No. S 232/1996 — Parliamentary Resolution**
- Passed : 28 February 1996
- 29. G.N. No. S 366/1997 — Parliamentary Resolution**
- Passed : 11 July 1997
- 30. 1997 Revised Edition — Civil List and Pension Act (Chapter 44)**
- Operation : 20 December 1997
- 31. G.N. No. S 246/1998 — Parliamentary Resolution**
- Passed : 27 February 1998
- 32. G.N. No. S 188/1999 — Parliamentary Resolution**
- Passed : 26 February 1999

- 33. G.N. No. S 143/2000 — Parliamentary Resolution**  
Passed : 25 February 2000
- 34. G.N. No. S 36/2001 — Parliamentary Resolution**  
Passed : 12 January 2001
- 35. G.N. No. S 168/2001 — Parliamentary Resolution**  
Passed : 23 February 2001
- 36. 2002 Revised Edition — Civil List and Pension Act (Chapter 44)**  
Operation : 31 December 2002
- 37. G.N. No. S 772/2004 — Parliamentary Resolution**  
Passed : 27 February 2004
- 38. G.N. No. S 52/2005 — Parliamentary Resolution**  
Passed : 25 January 2005
- 39. G.N. No. S 185/2005 — Parliamentary Resolution**  
Passed : 18 February 2005
- 40. G.N. No. S 36/2006 — Parliamentary Resolution**  
Passed : 17 January 2006
- 41. G.N. No. S 183/2006 — Parliamentary Resolution**  
Passed : 17 February 2006
- 42. G.N. No. S 43/2007 — Parliamentary Resolution**  
Passed : 23 January 2007
- 43. G.N. No. S 37/2008 — Parliamentary Resolution**  
Passed : 22 January 2008
- 44. G.N. No. S 175/2008 — Parliamentary Resolution**  
Passed : 15 February 2008
- 45. G.N. No. S 139/2009 — Parliamentary Resolution**  
Passed : 22 January 2009
- 46. G.N. No. S 203/2010 — Parliamentary Resolution**  
Passed : 2 March 2010
- 47. G.N. No. S 177/2011 — Parliamentary Resolution**  
Passed : 10 March 2011

**48. G.N. No. S 137/2012 — Parliamentary Resolution**

Passed : 17 February 2012

**49. Act 20 of 2012 — Civil List and Pension (Amendment) Act 2012**

Bill : 17/2012

First Reading : 13 August 2012

Second and Third Readings : 10 September 2012

Commencement : 25 September 2014

*Note: The Civil List and Pension Act was renamed as the Civil List and Gratuity Act by this Act.*

**50. 2020 Revised Edition — Civil List and Gratuity Act 1970**

Operation : 31 December 2021

**51. G.N. No. S 126/2023 — Civil List and Gratuity Act 1970 â Resolution Passed at Parliament Meeting**

Date of commencement : 6 March 2023

Abbreviations

(updated on 29 August 2022)

G.N.	Gazette Notification
G.N. Sp.	Gazette Notification (Special Supplement)
L.A.	Legislative Assembly
L.N.	Legal Notification (Federal/Malaysian)
M.	Malaya/Malaysia (including Federated Malay States, Malayan Union, Federation of Malaya and Federation of Malaysia)
Parl.	Parliament
S	Subsidiary Legislation
S.I.	Statutory Instrument (United Kingdom)
S (N.S.)	Subsidiary Legislation (New Series)
S.S.G.G.	Straits Settlements Government Gazette
S.S.G.G. (E)	Straits Settlements Government Gazette (Extraordinary)