

Quote by Mr K Shanmugam, Minister for Home Affairs and Minister for Law, on the work of the Committee for the COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) Bill

“The Bill was put together very quickly, in a matter of days, as we saw the situation deteriorating. Different Ministries and Agencies came together. MOF, MTI, MND, MAS, AGC - it was a whole-of-Government effort.

The experience and wisdom of the Committee members from the private sector was invaluable, in this process. They attended meetings almost daily, gave their comments. Their views helped shape key points in the Bill.

The two lawyers, Sushil Nair and Patrick Ang, are recognised as amongst the leading experts in their fields, and worked with us in conceptualising the framework and helping to draft the Bill. The Attorney-General, who himself was and is the best corporate lawyer in Singapore, supervised the drafting of the Bill, clause by clause. We were fortunate to have the three of them helping us, almost full time throughout the process.”

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