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Indonesian Legislators Rectify Perppu on Mass Organizations as Law by Voting



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The members of the Indonesian House of Representatives (DPR) have done their best to reach a compromising deal on whether or not Perppu [the government regulation in lieu of a law] No. 2/2017 on mass organizations can be endorsed as law. Failing to do so, they decided to hold a vote on the issue.

They finally approved, ratifying it as law. Out of 445 attending the plenary session, 314 agreed to change the bill into law, while 131 refused it. So it is now legal according to the law.

The seven fractions agreeing to endorse Perppu are PDIP, Golkar, Demokrat, PKB, PPP, NasDem, and Hanura.

Mentioning also the three fractions disagreeing to endorse (Gerindra, PKS, and PAN), the vice Speaker of DPR who was the chairman of the plenary session, Fadli Zon, announced that DPR approved to ratify Perppu No.2/2017 as law.

In the meantime, during the plenary session (held on Tuesday, 24 October), protesters from a number of Islamic community organizations [including the new conservative Islamic organization "Alumni 212 presidium"] were expressing their refusal to pass the Perppu into law since it would abuse the people's freedom of expression.

[The Chairman of Alumni 212 presidium, Slamet Maarif, regretted that the Perppu has passed into law.]

"HTI [the Indonesian Hzbut Tahrir] is the first victim of the very law. Not only is it unfair, but it is also against the principles of Pancasila [the Indonesian ideology]," said one of the demonstrators.

Source: Adhila,<u>suara-islam/read/kabar/nasional/23978/Melalui-Voting-DPR-Sahkan-Perppu-Ormas-jadi-Undang-undang.</u> <u>undang.</u> <u>"</u>Melalui Voting, DPR Sahkan Perppu Ormas jadi Undang-undang (The Indonesian House of Representatives finally to rectify Government Regulation in Lieu of Law (Perppu) No. 2/2017 as law through voting)", in Indonesian, 24 Oct 17.

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