

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

The Senate

The Senate met in the Senate Chamber, Parliament Buildings on Wednesday, the 26th day of November, 2014 at 11.00 o'clock a.m.

PRESENT

Her Honour Senator Miss Kerryann F. Ifill, B.Sc. (Hons.), M.B.A. (President)

Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean, B.Sc. (Hons.), M.A., M.B.A. (Minister of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade) (Leader of the Senate)

Senator Dr. the Hon. E. R. Byer Suckoo, M.B., B.S. (Minister of Labour, Social Security and Human Resource Development)

Senator the Hon. P. M. T. Todd, B.Sc. (Minister of State in the Office of the Prime Minister)

Senator H. A. Husbands, M.L.I.R., B.Sc. (Public Administration) (Hons.), Ed. Cert. (U.W.I.) (Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Education, Science, Technology and Innovation)

Senator J. Ince, J.P., BB.A., M.B.A., DIP (Mgmt.) (Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs)

Senator R. A. Hunte, J.P.

Senator Miss V. A. G. De Peiza, B.Sc. (Hons.), LL.M. (Merit)

Senator W. A. Abrahams, LL.B. (Hons.)

Senator Prof. Emeritus H. S. Fraser, G.C.M., B.Sc., MBBS, Ph.D., FACP, FRCP

Senator Dr. Sir Trevor Carmichael, K.A., L.V.O., Q.C., B.Sc. (Econ.), M.A., Ph.D.

Senator A. A. Adams, J.P., B.A., Ed. Cert., M.Sc. Ed. Senator K. H. L. Marshall Senator J. A. Watson

ABSENT

His Honour Senator the Very Reverend H. E. Crichlow, GC.M., B.A. (Hons.) Dunelm (*Deputy President*), Senator the Hon. D. W. Boyce, B.Sc. (Econ.), M.B.A. (Fin.), CMA, F.C.A. (*Minister in the Office of the Prime Minister*), Senator Mrs. V. I. Sandiford-Garner, CIM, Dip. Mng., M.B.A. (*Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Tourism and International Transport*), Senator Rev. Dr. D. L. Durant, D.D. (Hon.), Senator A. R. Worrell, B.A. (Hons.), Senator Dr. J. X. Walcott, M.B., B.S., F.R.C.S. (Edin.), J.P. and Senator Sir Roy Trotman, K.A., M.A.

Prayers were led by Rev. Father Errington Massiah.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY HER HONOUR THE PRESIDENT

Madam President announced that she was in receipt of excuses for absence on behalf of the following: Senator the Hon. D. W. Boyce, Senator A. R. Worrell, Senator Mrs. V. I. Sandiford-Garner, Senator Rev. Dr. D. L. Durant, His Honour Senator the Very Reverend H. E. Crichlow and Senator Dr. J. X. Walcott.

Madam President acknowledge the presence of the families of the late Senators Keith Laurie and Tennyson Beckles as the Senate intended to pay tribute to their service in the Senate.

Madam President also made reference to earlier statements by Senator W. A. Abrahams in connection with the availability of the Laws of Barbados online and announced that the Legislation was available upon logging on to the Parliament of Barbados website.

MOTIONS RELATING TO THE BUSINESS OF THE SENATE AND MOVED BY A MINISTER

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean, Senator K. H. L. Marshall was appointed temporary Chairman of Committees for the remainder of the day's Sitting.

OBITUARY SPEECHES

As the first Order of Business the Senate paid tribute to the late Senators Keith Laurie and Tennyson Beckles.

1. TRIBUTES TO THE LATE SENATOR KEITH LAURIE

Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean spoke.

Senator Prof. Emeritus H. S. Fraser spoke.

Senator A. A. Adams spoke.

Senator Dr. Sir Trevor Carmichael spoke.

Senator J. A. Watson spoke.

Senator H. A. Husbands spoke.

Senator K. H. L. Marshall spoke.

Senator the Hon. P. M. T. Todd spoke.

Senator J. Ince spoke.

Her Honour Senator Miss K. F. Ifill spoke.

2. TRIBUTES TO THE LATE SENATOR TENNYSON BECKLES

Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean spoke.

Senator W. A. Abrahams spoke.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean the Sitting was suspended until 2.30 p.m.

At 1.15 p.m. Madam President supsended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Madam President resumed the Chair.

OBITUARY SPEECHES (resumed)

Senator Miss V. A. G. De Peiza spoke.

Senator R. A. Hunte spoke.

Senator A. A. Adams spoke.

Senator the Hon. P. M. T. Todd spoke.

Senator J. A. Watson spoke.

Senator Dr. the Hon. E. R Byer Suckoo spoke.

Senator Dr. Sir Trevor Carmichael spoke.

Senator H. A. Husbands spoke.

Madam President spoke.

The Senate observed a minute's silence in passing a Resolution of Condolence to the families of the deceased.

PUBLIC BUSINESS

ORDER NO. 3

On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Family Law Act, Cap. 214,

the Hon. Member moved that the Bill be read a second time.

Senator W. A. Abrahams spoke.

Senator R. A. Hunte spoke.

Senator the Hon. P. M. T. Todd spoke.

Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean spoke in reply.

Senator W. A. Abrahams spoke with leave.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean the Senate resolved itself into Committee, Senator K. H. L. Marshall in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 14 were called in parts and passed on the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean. The Schedule was called and passed on the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean the Chairman reported the passing of the Bill in Committee and Madam President resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean the Senate was adjourned to Wednesday, 10th December, 2014 at 11.00 a.m.

At 5.30 p.m. Madam President adjourned the Sitting.

NIGEL R. JONES Deputy Clerk of Parliament.

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the , 2014.

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