



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

The Honourable the House of Assembly

At a meeting of the House of Assembly at the Parliament Buildings on Tuesday, the 20th day of January, 2015, pursuant to the adjournment.

PRESENT

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| His Honour M. A. Carrington, Q.C., B.A., LL.B. (<i>Speaker</i>) | |
| Her Honour Mrs. M-J. M. Thompson, B.A., M.Sc. (Ph. Ed.) (<i>Deputy Speaker</i>) | |
| Mr. G. A. Clarke, J.P., B.Sc., Dip. Ed. | Hon. S. D. Blackett (<i>Minister of Social Care,</i> |
| Mr. R. St. C. Toppin, LL.B. (Hons.) | <i>Constituency Empowerment and Community</i> |
| Hon. D. St. E. Kellman (<i>Minister of Housing,</i> | <i>Development</i>) |
| <i>Lands and Rural Development</i>) | Mr. J. D. Paul, B.Sc. (<i>Chairman of Committees</i>) |
| Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, Q.C., LL.B. (<i>Leader</i> | Dr. the Hon. D. S. Lowe, Dip. Theology, B.A., M.Ed., |
| <i>of the Opposition</i>) | Ed.D. (<i>Minister of Environment and Drainage</i>) |
| Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P. | Hon. A. D. Brathwaite, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.) (<i>Attorney</i> |
| Hon. R. D. Jones, B.A. (Hons.), M.A. Ed., J.P. | <i>General and Minister of Home Affairs</i>) |
| <i>(Minister of Education, Science,</i> | Hon. S. A. Lashley, B.Sc., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. |
| <i>Technology and Innovation</i>) | <i>(Minister of Culture, Sports and Youth)</i> |
| Dr. the Hon. D. C. Estwick, B.Sc., M.B., B.S. | Hon. D. O’N. Inniss, B.Sc., M.B.A. (<i>Minister of</i> |
| <i>(Minister of Agriculture, Food, Fisheries,</i> | <i>Industry, International Business, Commerce and</i> |
| <i>and Water Resource Management)</i> | <i>Small Business Development</i>) |
| Hon. R. L. Sealy, B.Sc., M.B.A. (<i>Minister of</i> | Hon. C. P. Sinckler, B.A., M.Sc. (<i>Minister of Finance</i> |
| <i>Tourism and International Transport)</i> | <i>and Economic Affairs</i>) |
| Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart, Q.C., B.A., LL.M. (<i>Prime</i> | Mr. T. A. Prescod, B.A. |
| <i>Minister, Minister of National Security,</i> | Lt. Col. J. D. Bostic, MVO, B.A. (Hons.) |
| <i>The Public Service and Urban</i> | Mr. E. G. Hinkson, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M. |
| <i>Development)</i> | Dr. M. M. Agard, J.P., B.Sc., M.Sc., D.D.S. |
| Hon. J. D. E. Boyce, M.Sc., C. Eng. (<i>Minister</i> | Mr. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.) |
| <i>of Health) (Leader of the House)</i> | Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.) |

ABSENT

Rt. Hon. O. S. Arthur, M.Sc. (Econ.), Mr. G. W. Payne, Q.C., Mr. D. D. Marshall, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., Hon. M. A. Lashley, LL.B. (Hons.) (*Minister of Transport and Works*) and Mr. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B.

Mr. Speaker took the Chair at 10.15 a.m.

Prayers were taken by Rev. Mark Harewood.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of Tuesday, 13th January, 2015 were deferred on the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY HIS HONOUR THE SPEAKER

Mr. Speaker read the following Message from the Honourable the Senate.

MESSAGE

From

THE HONOURABLE THE SENATE

To

THE HONOURABLE THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

The Honourable the Senate has the honour to inform the Honourable the House of Assembly that at its Sitting on Friday, 16th January, 2015 the Evidence (Amendment) Bill, 2014 and the Prisons (Amendment) Bill, 2014 passed the Senate with the following amendments:

Clause 1 of the Evidence (Amendment) Bill, 2014 was amended so that that Clause should now read:

“This Act may be cited as the Evidence (Amendment) Act, 2015.”

And Clause 1 of the Prisons (Amendment) Bill, 2014 was amended so that that Clause should now read:

“This Act may be cited as the Prisons (Amendment) Act, 2015.

AND the Honourable the Senate transmits the Amended Bills to the Honourable the House of Assembly inviting concurrence in the amendments to the aforementioned Bills.

Dated the 16th day of January, 2015.

**K. IFILL
PRESIDENT.**

PAPERS

By Command Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart laid the following:

1. Duties, Taxes and Other Payments (Exemption) (Candelisa Weston Inc.) Order, 2014.
2. Enterprise Growth Fund Limited Annual Report, 2013.

FIRST READINGS OF BILLS

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart the Tax on Assets Bill, 2015 was read a first time.

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite the Constituency Councils (Amendment) Bill, 2015 was read a first time.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart, Standing Orders 6, 16, 18, 20, 42(5), 43 and 44 were suspended for the remainder of the day's Sitting.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDER NO. 15

THE BARBADOS PORT INC. (TRANSFER OF MANAGEMENT AND VESTING OF ASSETS) ACT, CAP. 285B

On the Order being called for Hon. R. L. Sealy to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Barbados Port Inc. (Transfer of Management and Vesting of Assets) Act, Cap. 285B, the Hon. Member began to speak.

At 10.50 a.m. Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley entered the Chambers and immediately raised and spoke on a Matter of Privilege.

Hon. R. L. Sealy rose to speak.

Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley rose and asked the Speaker to rule on her submission.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley spoke.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

Rt. Hon F. J. Stuart spoke.

Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley began to speak.

Mr. Speaker spoke and ruled that the matter was ended.

Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley resumed her speech.

Mr. Speaker ruled that the Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley did not have the floor and anything said by her should be struck from the record.

The Opposition at this juncture, left the Chambers.

Hon. R. L. Sealy resumed his speech and gave way.

The Speaker gave way to the Deputy Speaker who assumed the Chair.

Hon. R. L. Sealy resumed his speech.

The Opposition Members reentered Parliament and resumed their seats.

Hon. R. L. Sealy resumed his speech.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Opposition again walked out of the Chambers.

Hon. R. L. Sealy concluded his speech and moved seconded by Hon. R. D. Jones that the Bill be read a second time.

Hon. J. D. E. Boyce spoke.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart the Sitting was suspended to 2.00 p.m.

At 12.25 p.m. the Speaker suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker in the Chair.

ORDER NO. 15 (resumed)

Hon. D. St. E. Kellman spoke.

Mr. J. D. Paul spoke.

Hon. R. L. Sealy spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Hon. R. L. Sealy seconded by Hon. R. D. Jones the House went into Committee, Mr. J. D. Paul in the Chair.

Clause 1 was called and amended on the motion of Hon. R. L. Sealy seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce.

Clause 2 was called and passed on the motion of Hon. R. L. Sealy seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce.

On the motion of Hon. R. L. Sealy seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce the Chairman reported the passing of the Bill in Committee and Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Hon. R. L. Sealy seconded by Dr. the Hon. D. C. Estwick the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 19

CONSTITUENCY COUNCILS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2015

On the Order being called Hon. S. D. Blackett to move the second reading of the Bill entitled the Constituency Councils (Amendment) Act, 2015, the Hon. Member spoke and moved seconded by Dr. the Hon. D. S. Lowe that the Bill be read a second time.

Dr. the Hon. D. S. Lowe spoke.

Hon. S. D. Blackett spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Hon. S. D. Blackett seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce the House went into Committee, Mr. J. D. Paul in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 5 were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. S. D. Blackett seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce.

On the motion of Hon. S. D. Blackett seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite the Chairman reported the passing of the Bill in Committee and Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Hon. S. D. Blackett seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 18

TAX ON ASSETS BILL, 2015

On the Order being called Hon. C. P. Sinckler to move the second reading of the Bill entitled the Tax on Assets Act, 2015, the Hon. Member spoke and moved seconded by Dr. the Hon. D. C. Estwick that the Bill be read a second time.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Hon. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce the House went into Committee, Mr. J. D. Paul in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 16 were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce.

On the motion of Hon. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce the Chairman reported the passing of the Bill in Committee and Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Hon. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 20

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite the House resolved itself into Committee of Supply, Mr. J. D. Paul in the Chair.

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SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES NO. 3 – 2014-2015

Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke on the following Resolution:

RESOLVED that the sum of FIFTY MILLION DOLLARS be granted from the Consolidated Fund and be placed at the disposal of the Government to supplement the Estimates 2014-2015 as shown in the Supplementary Estimates No. 3, 2014-2015 which form the Schedule to this Resolution.

SCHEDULE
Supplementary Estimates 2014-2015 No. 3

HEAD	Code Number	Provision in Approved Estimates 2014 – 2015	Provision in Supplementary Estimates Nos. 1–2	Supplementary Provision Required
		Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure
HEAD 21 – MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS Program 040: Direction & Policy Formulation Services Subprogram 7010: General Management and Coordination Services <i>Account Code: 417 – Subscriptions</i>	210407010	\$	\$	\$
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and moved seconded by Dr. the Hon. D. C. Estwick that Head 21 stand part.

Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke.

Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke in reply.

The motion was passed.

B**SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES NO. 4 – 2014-2015**

Dr. the Hon. D. S. Lowe spoke on the following Resolution:

RESOLVED that the sum of SEVEN MILLION, FOUR HUNDRED AND FIFTY-TWO THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED AND FORTY-EIGHT DOLLARS be granted from the Consolidated Fund and be placed at the disposal of the Government to supplement the Estimates 2014–2015 as shown in the Supplementary Estimates No. 4, 2014–2015 which form the Schedule to this Resolution.

SCHEDULE
Supplementary Estimates 2014–2015 No. 4

HEAD	Code Number	Provision in Approved Estimates 2014–2015	Provision in Supplementary Estimates Nos. 1–3	Supplementary Provision Required
		Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure
		\$	\$	\$
HEAD 73 – MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND DRAINAGE Program 650: Preservation & Conservation of the Terrestrial and Marine Environment Subprogram 0402: Coastal Risk Assessment & Management Program <i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>	736500402	565,152		34,255
<i>Account Code: 212 – Operating Expenses</i>		187,500		73,202
<i>Account Code: 226 – Professional Services</i>		7,000,000		7,345,091

and moved that Head 73 stand part.

Hon. J. D. E. Boyce spoke.

Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke.

Hon. D. St. E. Kellman spoke.

Mr. E. G. Hinkson began to speak.

Mr. Chairman spoke.

Mr. E. G. Hinkson concluded his speech.

Dr. the Hon. D. S. Lowe spoke in reply.

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. R. D. Jones the Chairman reported to Mr. Speaker who resumed the Chair, the passing of two Money Resolutions in Committee of Supply.

On the separate motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart the Resolutions were read a first and second time and agreed to.

STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS (recommitted)

Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart made a Statement concerning the proposed solutions to the natural gas shortage in Barbados.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS (recommitted)**ORDER NO. 17**

Resolution that the House concur in the amendments of the Honourable the Senate to the Evidence (Amendment) Bill, 2015 and the Prisons (Amendment) Bill, 2015 notified to the House in the Message from the Senate dated 16th January, 2015.

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart the Resolution was passed.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart the House was adjourned to Tuesday, 27th January, 2015 at 10.00 a.m.

At 5.50 p.m. Mr. Speaker adjourned the Sitting.

N. R. JONES

Deputy Clerk of Parliament.

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the _____ day of _____, 2015.

Speaker.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY
PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS
BRIDGETOWN.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

FIRST SESSION OF 2013 – 2018

MINUTES

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