

## 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 2nd day of February, 2016, pursuant to the adjournment.

### **PRESENT**

His Honour M. A. Carrington, Q.C., B.A., LL.B. (*Speaker*) Her Honour Mrs. M-J. M. Thompson, B.A., M.Sc. (Ph. Ed.) (*Deputy Speaker*)

Rt. Hon. O. S. Arthur, M.Sc. (Econ.)

Mr. G. A. Clarke, J.P., B.Sc., Dip. Ed.

Mr. R. St. C. Toppin, LL.B. (Hons.)

Hon. D. St. E. Kellman (Minister of Housing, Lands and Rural Development)

Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P.

Hon. R. D. Jones, J.P., B.A. (Hons.), M.A. Ed. (Minister of Education, Science, Technology and Innovation)

Dr. the Hon. D. C. Estwick, B.Sc., M.B., B.S. (Minister of Agriculture, Food, Fisheries and Water Resource Management)

Mr. D. D. Marshall, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. Hon. M. A. Lashley, LL.B. (Hons.) (Minister of Transport and Works)

Hon. R. L. Sealy, B.Sc., M.B.A. (Minister of Tourism and International Transport)

Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart, Q.C., B.A., LL.M. (Prime Minister, Minister of National Security, The Public Service and Urban Development) Hon. J. D. E. Boyce, M.Sc., C. Eng. (Minister of Health) (Leader of the House)

Hon. S. D. Blackett (Minister of Social Care, Constituency Empowerment and Community Development)

Mr. J. D. Paul, B.Sc. (Chairman of Committees)

Dr. the Hon. D. S. Lowe, Dip. Theology, B.A., M.Ed., Ed.D. (Minister of Environment and Drainage)

Hon. A. D. Brathwaite, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.) (Attorney General and Minister of Home Affairs)

Hon. S. A. Lashley, B.Sc., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (Minister of Culture, Sports and Youth)

Hon. D. O'N. Inniss, B.Sc., M.B.A. (Minister of Industry, International Business, Commerce and Small Business Development)

Hon. C. P. Sinckler, B.A., M.Sc. (Minister of Finance and Economic Affairs)

Mr. T. A. Prescod, B.A.

Lt. Col. J. D. Bostic, MVO, B.A. (Hons.)

Mr. E. G. Hinkson, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M.

Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.)

### ABSENT

Mr. G. W. Payne, Q.C., Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, Q.C., LL.B. (*Leader of the Opposition*), Mr. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B., Dr. M. M. Agard, J.P., B.Sc., M.Sc., D.D.S. (*on leave*) and Mr. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.).

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

Prayers were taken by Rev. Father Mark Harewood.

### **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting of Tuesday, 26th January, 2016 were deferred on the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS BY HIS HONOUR THE SPEAKER

Mr. Speaker announced the appointments of Mr. Wayne Ricardo Jones to the post of Marshal of Parliament and Mr. Adrian Alan Craigwell to the post of Deputy Marshal of Parliament.

### **PAPERS**

Hon. C. P. Sinckler by command laid the following:

- 1. Loan Contract No. 3542/CH-BA between the Government of Barbados and the Inter-American Development Bank, December 18, 2015.
- 2. Savings Bonds (Amendment) Regulations, 2016.
- 3. Excise Tax Regulations, 2016.

### FIRST READING OF BILLS

On the motion of Hon. A. D. Brathwaite seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce the following Bills were read a first time.

- 1. Immigration (Amendment) Bill, 2016.
- 2. Criminal Assets Recovery Fund Bill, 2016.
- 3. Trafficking in Persons Prevention Bill, 2016.

### ORDERS OF THE DAY

### SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite Standing Orders 6, 16, 18, 20, 42(5), 43 and 44 were suspended for the remainder of the Sitting.

### **GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**

### ORDER NO. 26

### COMPANIES (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2016

On the Order being called for Hon. D. O'N. Inniss to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Companies Act, Cap. 308 to provide for the establishment of incorporated cell companies, the Hon. Member spoke and moved seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite that the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. E. G. Hinkson spoke.

Hon. A. D. Brathwaite spoke.

Hon. D. O'N. Inniss spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Hon. D. O'N. Inniss seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce the House went into Committee, Mr. J. D. Paul in the Chair.

On the separate motion of Hon. D. O'N. Inniss seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce Clauses 1 to 4 were called and passed.

On the motion of Hon. D. O'N. Inniss 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. D. O'N. Inniss 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. 22

## RESUMPTION OF DEBATE ON THE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROTECTION ORDERS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2016

Miss C. Y. Forde began to speak and gave way.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

Miss C. Y. Forde concluded her speech.

Hon. A. D. Brathwaite spoke.

### **SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart the Sitting was suspended to 2.30 p.m.

At 1.03 p.m. the Speaker suspended the Sitting.

### **RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Speaker in the Chair.

### ORDER NO. 22 (resumed)

Her Honour Mrs. M-J. M. Thompson spoke.

Hon. S. A. Lashley spoke.

Madam Deputy Speaker assumed the Chair in place of the Speaker.

Hon. M. A. Lashley spoke.

Hon. R. D. Jones spoke.

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

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

Hon. J. D. E. Boyce spoke.

### **SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite the Sitting was suspended to 5.45 p.m.

At 5.24 p.m. the Speaker suspended the Sitting.

### RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

### ORDER NO. 22 (resumed)

Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart 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 3 were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. S. D. Blackett seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce.

Clause 4 was called and amended on the motion of Hon. S. D. Blackett seconded by Hon. C. P. Sinckler.

Clauses 5 to 7 and 9 were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. S. D. Blackett seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce.

Clauses 8, 10 and 11 were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. S. D. Blackett seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite.

Clause 12 was called and amended on the motion of Hon. S. D. Blackett seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite.

Clause 13 and the Schedule were called and passed on the motion of Hon. S. D. Blackett seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce.

On the motion of Hon. S. D. Blackett seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce the Chairman reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to Mr. Speaker who 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. 24

### SEXUAL OFFENCES (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2016

On the Order being called Hon. S. D. Blackett to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Sexual Offences Act, Cap. 154 to provide for the circumstances under which the offence of rape is committed by a husband against his wife,

the Hon. Member spoke and moved seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce that the Bill be read a second time.

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 2 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 Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart the Chairman reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to Mr. Speaker who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

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

### **ADJOURNMENT**

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce who spoke seconded by Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart the House was adjourned to Tuesday, 9th February, 2016 at 10.00 a.m.

At 7.17 p.m. Mr. Speaker adjourned the Sitting.

N. R. JONES, Q.C. Deputy Clerk of Parliament.

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the , 2016.

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Speaker.

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