



# MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

## The Honourable The Senate

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The Senate met in the Senate Chamber, Parliament Buildings on Wednesday, the 27th day of June, 2018 at 11.00 o'clock a.m.

### PRESENT

His Honour Senator Dr. Sir Richard L. Cheltenham, KA, Q.C., Ph.D., J.P., B.Sc. (Econ.) (*President*)

His Honour Senator R. N. Greenidge, LL.B. (*Deputy President*)

Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott, M.B., B.S.,  
F.R.C.S. (Edin.), J.P. (*Minister of Foreign  
Affairs and Foreign Trade*) (*Leader of the  
Senate*)

Senator the Hon. Miss L. C. Moe (*Minister of  
Information, Broadcasting and Public  
Affairs*)

Senator the Hon. Miss K. S. McConney (*Minister of  
Innovation, Science and Smart Technology*)

Senator Dr. R. O. Springer, B.A., M.A., Ph.D.  
(*Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of  
Education, Technological and Vocational  
Training*)

Senator Miss L. P. Holder, M.B.A., M.Sc.

Senator Miss L. R. Cummins, B.Sc., M.Sc.

Senator Dr. C. K. M. Haynes, M.B.B.S.

Senator D. R. Sands, LL.B. (Hons.)

Senator R. J. H. Adams, B.Sc. (Econ.), M.Sc.

(*Political Sociology*)

Senator Miss C. N. Drakes, B.Sc. (Econ. & Mgmt.),  
M.Phil Econ.

Senator the Hon. L. E. Nurse, F.C.A., F.C.C.A.

Senator Dr. C. A. Maynard, M.B.B.S., FRCS (ENT)

Senator Ms. M. C. Taitt, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.), M.B.A.

Senator Rev. M. B. St. J. Maxwell, B.Sc., B.A.,  
M.A.A.T.

Senator Miss T. N. S-A. Moore, M.B.A.

and

Senator K. J. Boyce, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C.

### ABSENT

Senator R. W. Grant, J.P., B.A., (Econ.), LL.B., PG Dip. MA, Senator C. A. Franklyn, J.P.

Prayers were led by Rev. Canon Errington Massiah.

**MESSAGES FROM HER EXCELLENCY  
THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL**

Mr. President read the following messages from Her Excellency the Governor-General:



GOVERNMENT HOUSE  
BARBADOS

Message No. 1/2018

HER EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL

TO

THE HONOURABLE THE SENATE

Her Excellency the Governor-General has the honour to inform The Honourable The Senate that:-

- (a) in accordance with the advice of the Prime Minister under Section 39 (1) (f) of the Constitution, the seats in the Senate held by Mr. John Ellis David Williams and Mr. DeLisle Othniel Bradshaw were declared vacant with effect from 18th June, 2018;
- (b) in accordance with the advice of the Prime Minister, Ms. Kay Sharon McConney and Mr. Rawdon John Herbert Adams have been appointed under Section 36 (2) of the Constitution as Senators, with effect from 18th June, 2018.

S. Mason  
GOVERNOR-GENERAL

GOVERNMENT HOUSE  
BARBADOS

19th June, 2018



GOVERNMENT HOUSE  
BARBADOS

Message No. 2/2018

HER EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL

TO

THE HONOURABLE THE SENATE

Her Excellency the Governor-General has the honour to inform The Honourable The Senate that, in accordance with the advice of the Leader of the Opposition, Miss Crystal Nikita Drakes has been appointed under Section 36 (3) of the Constitution as a Senator, with effect from 11th June, 2018.

S. Mason  
GOVERNOR-GENERAL

GOVERNMENT HOUSE  
BARBADOS

25th June, 2018

Mr. President invited the newly appointed Senators to take their seats in the Senate.

Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott spoke.

Senator Miss T. N. S-A. Moore spoke.

Senator R. J. H. Adams spoke.

Senator the Hon. Miss K. S. McConney spoke.

Senator Miss C. N. Drakes spoke.

Mr. President spoke.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS BY HIS HONOUR  
THE PRESIDENT**

Mr. President announced that he was in receipt of excuses for absence from Senators C. A. Franklyn and R. W. Grant.

**MOTIONS RELATING TO THE BUSINESS OF THE SENATE**

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott Standing Order 45(2) was suspended for the remainder of the day's Sitting.

**FIRST READINGS OF BILLS**

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the following Bills were read a first time:

1. The Barbados Revenue Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2018.
2. The National Social Responsibility Levy (Repeal) Bill, 2018.

**PUBLIC BUSINESS**

**ORDER NO. 2**

**NATIONAL SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY LEVY (REPEAL) BILL, 2018**

On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an act to repeal the *National Social Responsibility Levy Act* and make provision for related matters,

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

Senator the Hon. L. E. Nurse spoke.

Senator Dr. R. O. Springer spoke.

His Honour Senator R. N. Greenidge spoke.

Senator Miss T. N. S-A. Moore spoke.

Senator Miss L. P. Holder spoke.

**SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Senate was suspended until 2.15 p.m.

At 12.58 p.m. Mr. President suspended the Sitting.

**RESUMPTION**

Mr. President in the Chair.

**ORDER NO. 2 (resumed)**

Senator Dr. C. K. M. Haynes spoke.

Senator Miss C. N. Drakes spoke.

Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Senate resolved itself into Committee, the Deputy President in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 5 were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Chairman reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to the President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

**ORDER NO. 1**

**BARBADOS REVENUE AUTHORITY (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2018**

On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an act to amend the *Barbados Revenue Authority Act* (Act 2014-1) to repeal the system for the issuance of tax clearance certificates and for related matters,

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

Senator Miss L. R. Cummins spoke.

Senator Rev. M. B. St. J. Maxwell spoke.

Senator Miss C. N. Drakes spoke.

Senator D. R. Sands began to speak.

Mr. President vacated the Chair in favour of the Deputy President.

Senator D. R. Sands concluded his speech.

Senator K. J. Boyce began to speak and gave way.

Mr. President resumed the Chair.

Senator K. J. Boyce concluded his speech.

His Honour Senator R. N. Greenidge spoke.

Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Senate resolved itself into Committee, Mr. Deputy President in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 4 and the Schedule were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Deputy President reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to Mr. President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

#### **MINUTES (recommitted)**

The Minutes of Tuesday, 5th day of June, 2018 and Friday, the 8th day of June, 2018 were confirmed.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Senate was adjourned *sine die*.

At 4.10 p.m. Mr. President adjourned the Sitting.

N. R. JONES, Q.C.

Deputy Clerk of Parliament.

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the  
, 2018.

day of

President.

SENATE CHAMBERS  
PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS  
BRIDGETOWN.

**SENATE**

**FIRST SESSION OF 2018 – 2023**

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**MINUTES**

Wednesday, 27th June, 2018.

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