

### MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

**OF** 

### The Honourable The Senate

The Senate met in the Senate Chamber, Parliament Buildings on Wednesday, the 8th day of March, 2017 at 11.00 o'clock a.m.

### **PRESENT**

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

His Honour Senator the Very Reverend H. E. Crichlow, G.C.M., B.A. (Hons.) Dunelm (*Deputy 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 Mrs. V. I. Sandiford-Garner, CIM, Dip. Mng., M.B.A. (Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Tourism and International Transport)

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 the Hon. 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 A. R. Worrell, B.A. (Hons.)

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

Senator Dr. J. X. Walcott, M.B., B.S., F.R.C.S. (Edin.), J.P.

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

Senator Prof. Emeritus Sir Henry Fraser, K.A., G.C.M., B.Sc., M.B., B.S., 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. and

Senator J. A. Watson

### **ABSENT**

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 Rev. Dr. D. L. Durant, D. D. (Hon.), Senator Sir Roy Trotman, K.A., M.A. and Senator Carol Lady Haynes, GM, BCH, M.B., B.S., Hon. DSc.

Prayers were led by Rev. Father Errington Massiah.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT

The President announced that she was in receipt of the Minutes for Wednesday, 27th February, 2017, which were subsequently confirmed.

### **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting of Wednesday, 8th February, 2017 were confirmed.

### **PAPERS**

By command Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean laid the following:-

- 1. Caribbean Broadcasting Corporation Financial Statements March 31, 2015.
- 2. Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Accountant General for the Financial Year 2014 to 2015.
- 3. Annual Report of the Operations of the Barbados Drug Service for Fiscal Year April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015.
- 4. Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure together with the Schedules of Personal Emoluments for the Financial Year 2017 to 2018.
- 5. Duties, Taxes and Other Payments (Exemption) (The Fresh Milk Art Platform Inc.) Order, 2017.

### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean gave notice of the following:

Resolution to approve in accordance with section 5 of the *Land Acquisition Act*, Cap. 228, the compulsory acquisition by the Crown of the parcel of land, the property of Brighton Plantation Limited, situate at Brighton in the parish of Saint George in this Island, for the purpose of housing development.

### **PUBLIC BUSINESS**

### ORDER NO. 1

### BARBADOS REVENUE AUTHORITY (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2017

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 *Barbados Revenue Authority Act* (Act 2014-1) to make provision for the issuance of tax certificates and for related matters

the Hon. Member began to speak.

Senator W. A. Abrahams spoke on a point of order.

Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean concluded her speech and moved that the Bill be read a second time.

Senator W. A. Abrahams began to speak.

Senator Mrs. V. I. Sandiford-Garner spoke on a point of clarification.

Senator W. A. Abrahams resumed his speech.

Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean spoke on a point of order.

Senator W. A. Abrahams concluded his speech.

Senator J. Ince spoke.

### **SUSPENSION**

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

At 1.00 p.m. Madam President suspended the Sitting.

### RESUMPTION

On resumption Madam President resumed the Chair.

### **ORDER NO. 1** (resumed)

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

Senator R. A. Hunte spoke.

Senator Prof. Emeritus Sir Henry Fraser spoke.

Senator A. R. Worrell began to speak.

Senator W. A. Abrahams spoke on a point of order.

Senator A. R. Worrell concluded his speech.

Senator H. A. Husbands spoke.

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

The Bill was read a second time.

- On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean the Senate resolved itself into Committee, the Deputy President in the Chair.
- Clauses 1 to 5 and the Schedule were called and passed on the separate 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 to Madam President who 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 Sitting was suspended until Monday, 20th March, 2017 at 11.00 a.m.

At 4.35 p.m. Madam President adjourned the Sitting.

### RICHARD P. BYER Deputy Clerk of Parliament.

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the , 2017.

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President.

SENATE CHAMBERS PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS BRIDGETOWN.

### SENATE

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