



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

The Honourable The Senate

The Senate met in the Senate Chamber, Parliament at the Worthing Corporate Centre on Monday the 20th day of December, 2021, at 11.00 o'clock a.m.

PRESENT

His Honour Senator R. R. Farley, B.Sc., C.P.A., C.M.A., J.P. (*President*)

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

Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott, FB, 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 K. S. McConney (*Minister of Innovation, Science and Smart Technology*)

Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins, B.Sc., M.Sc. (*Minister of Tourism and International Transport*)

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

Senator Miss L. C. Moe

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

Senator Dr. L. P. Holder, M.B.A., M.Sc., M.Th., D.Th.

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

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

Senator C. A. Franklyn, J.P.

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

Senator Rev. Dr. J. A. Rogers, B.Sc., B.A. (Hons.), M.Phil., Ph.D.

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

Senator Miss A. M. Wiggins, J.P., B.Sc.

Senator J. A. Hunte, B.Sc., B.A.

ABSENT

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 Mr. C. A. Maynard, M.B.B.S., F.R.C.S. (ENT) and Senator Ms. M. C. Taitt, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.) M.B.A.

Prayers were taken by Senator Rev. Dr. J. A. Rogers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY HIS HONOUR THE PRESIDENT

Mr. President announced that he was in receipt of excuses for absence from Senators R. J. H. Adams, Miss C. N. Drakes and Mr. C. A. Maynard.

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott by command laid:
Public Finance Management (Procedural Fiscal) Rules 2021.

MOTIONS RELATING TO THE BUSINESS OF THE SENATE

On the motion of Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott Standing Order 45(2) was suspended for the remainder of the Sitting.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

On the motion of Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott the following Bills were read a first time:

- Public Procurement Bill, 2021;
- Whistleblower Protection Bill, 2021;
- Remediation Agreements (Deferred Prosecutions) Bill, 2021;
- Constitution (Amendment) (No. 3) Bill, 2021; and
- Income Tax (Country-by-Country Reporting) Bill, 2021.

PUBLIC BUSINESS

ORDER NO. 5

INCOME TAX (COUNTRY-BY-COUNTRY REPORTING) BILL, 2021

On the Order being called for Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to make provisions for the annual filing of country-to-country reports by multinational enterprises,

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

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, His Honour the Deputy President in the Chair.

Part 1 (Clauses 1 to 2); Part 2 (Clauses 3 to 8); Part 3 (Clauses 9 to 13); Part 4 (Clauses 14 to 19) and Part 5 (Clauses 20 to 22) were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott.

On the motion of Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott the Chairman of Committees reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to the President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

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

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott the Sitting was suspended at 11.52 a.m. to 11.57 a.m.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. President resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 1

PUBLIC PROCUREMENT BILL, 2021

On the Order being called for Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to regulate public procurement and in particular to promote integrity, fairness, transparency, value for money and efficiency in public procurement.

Senator C. A. Franklyn spoke on a point of privilege.

Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott spoke.

Mr. President spoke.

Senator C. A. Franklyn spoke.

Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott spoke and moved that the Bill be read a second time.

Senator Dr. L. P. Holder spoke.

Senator Rev. Dr. J. A. Rogers spoke.

Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins spoke.

Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, His Honour the Deputy President in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 117 in parts and the First to the Fourth Schedules were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott.

On the motion of Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott the Chairman of Committees reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to the President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

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

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott the Sitting was suspended at 1.30 p.m. to 2.30 p.m.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. President resumed the Chair.

PUBLIC BUSINESS (resumed)

Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott sought and obtained leave to introduce the Whistleblower Bill, 2021, the Remediation Agreements (Deferred Prosecutions) Bill, 2021 and the Constitution (Amendment) (No. 3) Bill, 2021 in a cognate debate.

ORDER NO. 2

WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION BILL, 2021

On the Order being called for Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to deter and combat corruption and other improper conduct by encouraging and facilitating disclosures of such conduct, protecting the persons who make such disclosures and regulating the receipt, investigation and other treatment of such disclosures,

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

Senator K. J. Boyce spoke.

Senator J. A. Hunte spoke.

Senator Rev. Dr. J. A. Rogers spoke.

His Honour Senator R. N. Greenidge spoke.

Mr. President spoke.

Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, His Honour the Deputy President in the Chair.

Part 1 (Clauses 1 to 3); Part 2 (Clauses 4 to 12); Part 3 (Clauses 13 to 15); Part 4 (Clauses 16 to 23); Part 5 (Clauses 24 to 31) and the First and Second Schedules were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott.

On the motion of Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott the Chairman of Committees reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to the President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

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

ORDER NO. 3

REMEDIATION AGREEMENTS (DEFERRED PROSECUTIONS) BILL, 2021

On the Order being called for Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to provide for a prosecutor to enter into an agreement to defer prosecution of an alleged offender and impose certain obligations on the offender, where such an agreement would be in the interest of justice,

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

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, His Honour the Deputy President in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 24 in parts and the Schedule were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott.

On the motion of Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott the Chairman of Committees reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to the President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

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

ORDER NO. 4

CONSTITUTION (AMENDMENT) (NO. 3) BILL, 2021

On the Order being called for Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to alter the Constitution of Barbados,

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

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, His Honour the Deputy President in the Chair.

Clauses 1 and 2 were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott.

On the motion of Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott the Chairman of Committees reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to the President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the motion of Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott the Bill was read a third time.

On the motion of Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott the Bill was passed and the title read and agreed to the House voting as follows:

Ayes: Senators Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott, Honourables Miss K. S. McConney, Miss L. R. Cummins, Dr. R. O. Springer, Dr. L. P. Holder, R. W. Grant, Miss L. C. Moe, D. R. Sands, Dr. C. K. M. Haynes, His Honour R. N. Greenidge, K. J. Boyce, Hon. L. E. Nurse, Rev. Dr. J. A. Rogers, Miss A. M. Wiggins and J. A. Hunte.

Noes: Nil.

ADJOURNMENT

Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott spoke and moved that the Senate be adjourned *sine die*.

Senator Rev. Dr. J. A. Rogers spoke.

Mr. President spoke.

The motion was passed.

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
, 2021.

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President.

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