

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

The Honourable the House of Assembly

At a meeting of the House of Assembly at the Worthing Corporate Centre on Tuesday the 7th day of December, 2021, at 10.00 a.m. pursuant to the adjournment.

PRESENT

- His Honour A. E. Holder, B.Sc. (Hons.), MSW, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (Speaker) His Honour N. G. H. Rowe, J.P. (Deputy Speaker)
- Mr. G. W. Payne, Q.C.
- Hon. R. St. C. Toppin, LL.B. (Hons.) (Minister of International Business and Industry)
- Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P. (Minister of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs)
- Hon. D. D. Marshall, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs)
- Mr. T. A. Prescod, J.P., B.A.
- Lt. Col. the Most Honourable. J. D. Bostic, FB, MVO, B.A. (Hons.) (*Minister of Health and Wellness*)
- Mr. E. G. Hinkson, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M
- Hon. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.) (*Minister of Youth, Sports and Community Empowerment*)
- Bishop J. J. S. Atherley, J.P., B.A., B.Sc., PgD. (*Leader of the Opposition*)
- Hon. W. A. Abrahams, LL.B. (Minister of Home Affairs, Information and Public Affairs)

- Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, B.A. (Hons.), M.Sc. (Minister in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade)
- Mr. R. A. Thorne, Q.C., LL.B., L.E.C., Dip. Theology Hon. I. A. Weir, M.B.A. (*Minister of Agriculture* and Food Security)
- Hon. A. R. Forde, RPh. (Minister of Environment and National Beautification)
- Hon. C. McD. Griffith, B.Sc. (Minister in the Ministry of Water Resources)
- Hon. P. R. Phillips (Minister in the Ministry of Housing, Lands and Maintenance)
- Hon. J. A. King, BSS (Minister in the Prime Minister's Office)
- Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill (*Minister of Transport, Works and Water Resources*)
- Hon. C. E. Jordan, B.Sc. (Hons.) (Minister of Labour and Social Partnership Relations and the Third Sector)
- Dr. S. E. Browne, M.B.B.S. (Chairman of Committees)
- Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.P.A. (*Minister of Maritime Affairs and the Blue Economy*)
- Hon. R. R. Straughn, B.Sc., M.Sc. (Minister in the Ministry of Finance)

ABSENT

Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, Q.C., LL.B. (Prime Minister, Minister of Finance, Economic Affairs and Investment, Minister of National Security and the Civil Service), Hon. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B. (Minister of Energy, Small Business and Entrepreneurship), Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (Minister of Education, Technological and Vocational Training), Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid, J.P., B.D.S., F.D.S., F.D.R.C.S., M. Min. (Minister of Housing, Lands and Maintenance), Hon. Ms. M. K-A. Caddle, B.A., M.Sc. (Minister in the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Investment) and Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore, M.B.A.

Prayers were taken by Rev. Father Mark Harewood.

PAPERS

Hon. D. D. Marshall by command laid:

• Loan Agreement between the Government of Barbados and Corporacion Andina de Fomento.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

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

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS ORDER NO. 9

FAIR CREDIT REPORTING BILL, 2021

On the Order being called for Hon. R. R. Straughn to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to provide for a credit reporting system in Barbados that is fair, for the regulation of the use of data collected and for related purposes,

the Hon. Member spoke and moved seconded by Hon. J. A. King that the Bill be read a second time.

Bishop J. J. S. Atherley spoke.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands the Sitting was suspended to 2.15 p.m.

At 1.05 p.m. Mr. Speaker suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 9 (resumed)

Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands spoke.

Hon. I. A. Weir spoke.

Hon. D. G. Sutherland spoke.

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

Hon. J. A. King spoke.

Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.

Hon. R. R. Straughn began his reply.

Bishop J. J. S. Atherley began to speak on a point of order.

Mr. Speaker ruled no point of order.

Bishop J. J. S. Atherley concluded his point.

Hon. R. R. Straughn resumed his reply.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

Bishop J. J. S. Atherley spoke when Hon. R. R. Straughn gave way.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

Bishop J. J. S. Atherley spoke on a point of order.

Hon. R. R. Straughn concluded his reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey the House went into Committee, Dr. S. E. Browne in the Chair.

Part 1 (clauses 1 and 2).

Hon. R. R. Straughn moved seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips that Part 1 stand part.

Bishop J. J. S. Atherley spoke.

Hon. R. R. Straughn spoke.

Clause 1 was passed.

Clause 2 was passed the House dividing as follows:

Ayes: Honourables D. D. Marshall, K. D. M. Humphrey, C. McD. Griffith, Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, I. A. Weir, P. R. Phillips, R. R. Straughn, C. E. Jordan, J. A. King, W. A. Abrahams, R. St. C. Toppin, G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill, His Honour N. G. H. Rowe, Mr. T. A. Prescod and Mr. R. A. Thorne.

Noes: Bishop J. J. S. Atherley.

Part 2 (Clauses 3); Part 3 (Clauses 4 to 14); Part 4 (Clauses 15 to 29); Part 5 (Clauses 30 to 34) and Part 6 (Clauses 35 to 47) were called and passed on the seperate motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips.

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn seconded by Hon. J. A. King 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. R. R. Straughn seconded by Hon. J. A. King the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES (recommitted)

Hon. D. D. Marshall gave notice of:

• Public Procurement Bill, 2021.

FIRST READINGS OF BILLS

On the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. J. A. King the Public Procurement Bill, 2021 was read a first time.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. J. A. King the Sitting was suspended at 6.05 p.m. to 6.35 p.m.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS (resumed) ORDER NO. 10

On the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by ??? the House resolved itself into the Standing Finance Committee on the following Resolution:

RESOLVED that the sum of SEVENTEEN MILLION, THREE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-EIGHT THOUSAND, FOUR HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FIVE DOLLARS be granted from the Consolidated Fund and be placed at the disposal of the Government to supplement the Estimates 2021–2022 as shown in the Supplementary Estimates No. 5, 2021–2022 which form the Schedule to this Resolution.

HEAD	Code Number	Provision in Approved Estimates 2021 – 2022	Provision in Supplementary Esti- mates Nos. 1–4	Supplementary Provision Required
		Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure
HEAD 35 - MINISTRY OF PEOPLE EMPOWERMENT AND ELDER AFFAIRS Program 423: Personal Social Services Delivery Program Subprogram 0427: Welfare Department Account Code: 103 - Employers Contributions Account Code: 211 - Maintenance of Property	354230427	\$ 318,467 91,241	\$	\$ 31,621 27,529

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		\$	\$	\$
HEAD 35 - MINISTRY OF PEOPLE EMPOWERMENT AND ELDER AFFAIRS - Cont'd Subprogram 0428: National Assistance Board Account Code: 316 - Grants to Public Institutions	354230428	10,068,670		1,954,024
HEAD 81 - MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT, WORKS AND WATER RESOURCES Program 510: Road Networks Services				
Subprogram 0511: Highway Construction and Maintenance Services Account Code: 103 – Employers Contributions	815100511	1,683,000	28,118	4,402,335
Account Code: 211 –Maintenance		1,083,000	20,110	4,402,333
of Property Subprogram 0530: IDB Road Rehabilitation & Improving Connectivity	815100530	4,724,450	25,812,898	3,832,621
Account Code: 103 – Employers Contributions				171,924
Account Code: 785- Assets Under Construction Program 511: Drainage Services Subprogram 0515: Maintenance of Drainage to Prevent Flooding	815110515	11,000,000		149,675
Account Code: 103 Employers	013110313	102.700		227.695
Contributions Account Code: 211 – Maintenance		193,799		327,685
of Property		3,000,000		285,279
HEAD 82 - MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATIONAL BEAUTIFI- CATION				
Program 650: Preservation and Conservation of the Terres- trial and Marine Environment				
Subprogram 0117: National Cleanup Program Account Code: 103 – Employers	826500117			
Contributions				2,100,569
Account Code: 212 - Operating Expenses		6,938,400	5,846,000	1,828,731

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HEAD 87 – MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, TECHNOLOGICAL AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING Program 271: Basic Educational Development Subprogram 0571: Nursery and Primary Schools Account Code: 103 – Employers Contributions Account Code: 212 – Operating Expenses	872710571	11,934,164 4,673,604		707,692 61,109
HEAD 93 – MINISTRY OF HOUSING, LANDS AND MAINTENANCE Program 520: Housing Program				
Subprogram 0533: National Housing Corporation Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institutions	935200533	200,000		922,681

HEAD 35 – MINISTRY OF PEOPLE EMPOWERMENT AND ELDER AFFAIRS – \$2,013,174.00

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn who spoke seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey Head 35 was passed.

HEAD 81 – MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT, WORKS AND WATER RESOURCES – \$9,169,519.00

On the motion of Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill seconded by Hon. J. A. King Head 81 was passed. **HEAD 82** – **MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATIONAL**

BEAUTIFICATION - \$3,929,300.00

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn who spoke seconded by Hon. J. A. King Head 82 was passed. **HEAD 87 – MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, TECHNOLOGICAL AND VOCATIONAL**TRAINING – \$1,323,801.00

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn who spoke seconded by Hon. J. A. King Head 87 was passed. **HEAD 93 – MINISTRY OF HOUSING, LANDS AND MAINTENANCE – \$922,681.00**

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn who spoke seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips Head 93 was passed.

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn seconded by Hon. J. A. King the Chairman reported to Mr. Speaker who resumed the Chair the passing of the Resolution in Committee.

On the separate motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn seconded by Hon. J. A. King the Resolution was

read a first and second time and agreed to.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES (recommitted)

Hon. D. D. Marshall by command laid:

Planning and Development (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations, 2021.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips the House was adjourned to Tuesday, 14th December, 2021 at 10.00 a.m.

At 7.35 p.m. Mr. Speaker adjourned the Sitting.

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

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the

day

of

, 2021.

Speaker.

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