



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 5th day of February, 2019, pursuant to the adjournment.

PRESENT

- His Honour A. E. Holder, B.Sc. (Hons.), MSW, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (*Speaker*)
His Honour G. A. Clarke, J.P., B.Sc., Dip. Ed. (*Deputy Speaker*)
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| Hon. R. St. C. Toppin, LL.B. (Hons.) (<i>Minister of International Business and Industry</i>) | Hon. W. A. Abrahams, LL.B. (<i>Minister of Energy and Water Resources</i>) |
| Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, Q.C., LL.B. (<i>Prime Minister, Minister of Finance, Economic Affairs and Investment, Minister of National Security and the Civil Service</i>) | Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, B.A. (Hons.), M.Sc. (<i>Minister in the Ministry of Foreign Trade</i>) |
| Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P. (<i>Minister of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs</i>) | Mr. R. A. Thorne, Q.C., LL.B., L.E.C., Dip. Theology |
| Hon. D. D. Marshall, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (<i>Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs</i>) | Hon. I. A. Weir, M.B.A. (<i>Minister of Agriculture and Food Security</i>) |
| Hon. T. A. Prescod, B.A. (<i>Minister of Environment and National Beautification</i>) | Hon. A. R. Forde, RPh. (<i>Minister of Youth and Community Empowerment</i>) |
| Hon. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B. (<i>Minister of Tourism and International Transport</i>) | Hon. C. McD. Griffith, B.Sc. (<i>Minister in the Ministry of Housing, Lands and Rural Development</i>) |
| Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic, MVO, B.A. (Hons.) (<i>Minister of Health and Wellness</i>) | Hon. P. R. Phillips (<i>Minister in the Ministry of Transport, Works and Maintenance</i>) |
| Hon. E. G. Hinkson, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M. (<i>Minister of Home Affairs</i>) | Hon. J. A. King, BSS (<i>Minister of Creative Economy, Culture and Sports</i>) |
| Hon. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.) (<i>Minister of Small Business, Entrepreneurship and Commerce</i>) | Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill |
| Bishop J. J. S. Atherley, J.P., B.A., B.Sc., PgD. (<i>Leader of the Opposition</i>) | Hon. C. E. Jordan, B.Sc. (Hons.) (<i>Minister of Labour and Social Partnership Relations</i>) |
| Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid, J.P., B.D.S., F.D.S., F.D.R.C.S., M.Min. (<i>Minister of Transport, Works and Maintenance</i>) | Dr. S. E. Browne, M.B.B.S. (<i>Chairman of Committees</i>) |
| | Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.P.A. (<i>Minister of Maritime Affairs and the Blue Economy</i>) |
| | Hon. R. R. Straughn, B.Sc., M.Sc. (<i>Minister in the Ministry of Finance</i>) |
| | Hon. Miss M. K-A. Caddle, B.A., M.Sc. (<i>Minister in the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Investment</i>) |
| | Mr. N. G. H. Rowe (<i>Parliamentary Secretary in the Ministry of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs</i>) |

ABSENT

Hon. G. W. Payne, Q.C. (*Minister of Housing, Lands and Rural Development*) and Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (*Minister of Education, Technological and Vocational Training*).

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

Prayers were taken by Rev. Father Mark Harewood.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the meetings of Friday, 25th January, 2019 and Tuesday, 29th January, 2019 were deferred on the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. D. D. Marshall.

PAPERS

Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley by command laid the following:

1. Representation of the People (Representation of Electors) (Amendment) Regulations, 2019; and
2. The Barbados Revenue Authority Annual Report 2017.

Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic gave notice of the following:

Barbados Prison Service Annual Report 2017.

REPORTS FROM SELECT COMMITTEES

Hon. D. D. Marshall laid the Report of Standing Orders Committee dated 4th February, 2019.

FIRST READINGS OF BILLS

On the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic the Supreme Court of Judicature (Amendment) Bill, 2019 was read a first time.

ORDERS OF THE DAY**SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS**

On the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey Standing Orders 6, 16, 18, 20, 42(5), 43 and 44 were suspended for the remainder of the Sitting.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**ORDER NO. 7****RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE REPORT OF THE STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE DATED 4TH FEBRUARY, 2019**

Hon. D. D. Marshall spoke and moved seconded by Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic that the Resolution be approved.

Hon. D. G. Sutherland spoke.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke.

Hon. R. R. Straughn spoke.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley spoke.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. C. E. Jordan the Sitting was suspended to 2.30 p.m.

At 12.40 p.m. Mr. Speaker suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES (recommitted)

Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic gave notice of the Representation of the People (Amendment) Bill, 2019.

FIRST READINGS OF BILLS

On the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. J. A. King the Representation of the People (Amendment) Bill, 2019 was read a first time.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS (resumed)**ORDER NO. 7 (resumed)**

His Honour G. A. Clarke began to speak.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

His Honour G. A. Clarke concluded his speech.

Hon. J. A. King spoke.

Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic spoke.

Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde spoke.

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

Hon. E. G. Hinkson spoke.

Bishop J. J. S. Atherley began to speak.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

Bishop J. J. S. Atherley resumed his speech.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

Bishop J. J. S. Atherley concluded his speech.

Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.

Hon. D. D. Marshall spoke and moved certain amendments which were seconded by Hon. E. G. Hinkson.

The Report of the Standing Orders Committee as amended was adopted.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. E. G. Hinkson seconded by His Honour G. A. Clarke the Sitting was suspended until 6.00 p.m.

At 5.35 p.m. Mr. Speaker suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Deputy Speaker assumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 6

SUPREME COURT OF JUDICATURE (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2019

On the Order being called for Hon. D. D. Marshall to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to make provision (a) to increase the number of judges in the High Court; (b) for the establishment of a Judicial Appointments Committee; (c) for the establishment of a commercial division of the High Court; and (d) for related matters,

the Hon. Member spoke and moved seconded by Hon. E. G. Hinkson that the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Bishop J. J. S. Atherley spoke.

Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke.

Hon. D. G. Sutherland spoke.

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

Hon. E. G. Hinkson spoke.

Hon. D. D. Marshall spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

Hon. D. D. Marshall sought and obtained leave of the Honourable the House to withdraw the Bill and substitute a corrected Bill.

On the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde the House went into Committee, Dr. S. E. Browne in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 7 and the First and Second Schedules were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey.

On the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey 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. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Hon. E. G. Hinkson seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey the House was adjourned to Tuesday, 12th February, 2019 at 10.00 a.m.

At 9.20 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 _____, 2019.

Speaker.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY
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FIRST SESSION OF 2018 – 2023

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