

### MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF The Honourable The Senate

The Senate met in the Senate Chamber, Parliament at the Worthing Corporate Centre on Monday the 27th day of April, 2020, 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)

- Senator the Hon. Miss K. S. McConney (*Minister of Innovation, Science and Smart Technology*)
- Senator Dr. R. O. Springer, Ph.D. (Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Education, Technological and Vocational Training)
- 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 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 C. A. Franklyn, J.P.
- 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 Rev. J. A. Rogers, B.Sc., B.A. (Hons.), M.Phil.
- Senator Miss T. N. S-A. Moore, M.B.A.
- Senator K. J. Boyce, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C.
- Senator Miss A. M. Wiggins, J.P., B.Sc.

#### ABSENT

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 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 led by Senator Dr. L. P. Holder.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS BY HIS HONOUR THE PRESIDENT

Mr. President announced that he was in receipt of excuses for absence from His Honour Senator R. N. Greenidge, Senators the Honourables Mr. J. X. Walcott, Miss L. C. Moe, and Ms. M. C. Taitt.

#### **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, April 1st, 2020 were deferred.

#### PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

Senator the Hon. Miss K. S. McConney command laid:

The Barbados International Business Promotion Corporation Inc. (Invest Barbados) Annual Report for the Financial Year April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019.

#### MOTIONS RELATING TO THE BUSINESS OF THE SENATE

- On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss K. S. McConney Standing Order 45(2) was suspended for the remainder of the Sitting.
- On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss K. S. McConney Senator Rev. J. A. Rogers was appointed temporary Chairman of Committees for the remainder of the Sitting.

#### **INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss K. S. McConney the following Bills were read a first time:

- 1. Criminal Justice (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill, 2020.
- 2. Control of Disposable Plastics Bill, 2020; and
- 3. Income Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2020.

#### **PUBLIC BUSINESS**

#### **ORDER NO. 4**

#### **CONTROL OF DISPOSABLE PLASTICS BILL, 2020**

- On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Miss K. S. McConney to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to revise the law relating to the prohibition on the importation, manufacture, distribution and sale of certain single-use plastic items, authorise the use of certain types of disposable plastic items and to provide for related matters,
- the Hon. Member spoke and moved that the Bill be read a second time.
- Senator Miss C. N. Drakes spoke.

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

The Bill was read a second time.

- On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss K. S. McConney the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, Senator Rev. J. A. Rogers in the Chair.
- On the separate motions of Senator the Hon. Miss K. S. McConney Clauses 1 to 13 and the First to the Fifth Schedules were passed.
- On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss K. S. McConney 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 the Hon. Miss K. S. McConney the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

#### **ORDER NO. 5**

#### **INCOME TAX (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2020**

On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Miss K. S. McConney to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Income Tax Act, Cap. 73 to implement the relevant proposals contained in the Budgetary Proposals and Financial Statement 2019,

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

Senator C. A. Franklyn spoke.

Senator R. J. H. Adams spoke.

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

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

Senators Dr. R. O. Springer spoke.

Senator K. J. Boyce spoke.

#### **SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss K. S. McConney the Sitting was suspended to 1.50 p.m. At 1.40 p.m. Mr. President suspended the Sitting.

#### RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. President resumed the Chair.

#### **ORDER NO. 5 (resumed)**

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

The Bill was read a second time.

- On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss K. S. McConney the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, Senator Rev. J. A. Rogers in the Chair.
- Clauses 1 to 5; 6 to 11; 12 to 14 and the First and the Second Schedules were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Miss K. S. McConney.
- On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss K. S. McConney 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 the Hon. Miss K. S. McConney the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

#### ORDER NO. 2

#### **EXCHANGE CONTROL (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2020**

- On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Miss K. S. McConney to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the *Exchange Control Act*, Cap. 71 to provide for:
  - (a) the imposition of a foreign exchange fee on foreign exchange transactions;
  - (b) the validation of the collection of the foreign exchange fee from 17th July, 2017; and
  - (c) for related matters

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

Senator Miss C. N. Drakes spoke.

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

The Bill was read a second time.

- On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss K. S. McConney the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, Senator Rev. J. A. Rogers in the Chair.
- Clauses 1 to 4; 5 to 8; the First and Second Schedules were called and on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Miss K. S. McConney were passed.
- On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss K. S. McConney 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 the Hon. Miss K. S. McConney the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

Senator the Hon. Miss K. S. McConney spoke and on her motion the Senate was adjourned *sine die*. At 2.15 p.m. Mr. President adjourned the Sitting.

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

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the , 2020.

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President.

SENATE CHAMBERS WORTHING CORPORATE CENTRE WORTHING CHRIST CHURCH. **ADJOURNMENT** 

## SENATE

# **FIRST SESSION OF 2018 – 2023**

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Monday, 27th April, 2020.

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