



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

The Honourable the House of Assembly

At a meeting of the House of Assembly at the Parliament Buildings on Monday the 31st day of March, 2025, at 10.00 o'clock a.m. pursuant to the adjournment.

PRESENT

His Honour A. E. Holder, S.C., B.Sc. (Hons.), MSW, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (*Speaker*)

Her Honour Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P. (*Deputy Speaker*)

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| Hon. D. D. Marshall, S.C., LL.B. (Hons.),
L.E.C. (<i>Attorney General and Minister
of Legal Affairs</i>) (<i>Senior Minister</i>) | Hon. A. R. Forde, Rph. (<i>Minister of Environment
and National Beautification, Green and Blue
Economy</i>) |
| Mr. T. A. Prescod, J.P., B.A. | Hon. C. McD. Griffith, B.Sc. (<i>Minister of Youth,
Sports and Community Empowerment</i>) |
| Hon. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B. (<i>Senior
Minister</i>) (<i>Minister of Foreign Affairs
and Foreign Trade</i>) | Mr. P. R. Phillips, J.P. (<i>Chairman of Committees</i>) |
| Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.),
L.E.C. (<i>Deputy Prime Minister</i>)
(<i>Senior Minister</i>) (<i>Minister of Transport
and Works</i>) (<i>Leader of Government
Business</i>) (<i>Acting Prime Minister</i> <i>wef</i>
<i>30th March, 2025</i>) | Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill (<i>Minister of
Tourism and International Transport</i>) |
| Hon. W. A. Abrahams, S.C., LL.B. (<i>Minister
of Home Affairs and Information</i>) | Hon. C. E. Jordan, B.Sc. (Hons.) (<i>Minister of
Labour, Social Security and Third Sector</i>) |
| Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, B.A. (Hons.),
M.Sc. (<i>Minister of Training and
Tertiary Education</i>) | Hon. R. R. Straughn, B.Sc., M.Sc. (<i>Minister in the
Ministry of Finance</i>) |
| Mr. R. A. Thorne, K.C., LL.B., L.E.C., Dip.
Theology (<i>Leader of the Opposition</i>) | Ms. M. K-A. Caddle, B.A., M.Sc. |
| Hon. I. A. Weir, M.B.A. (<i>Minister of
Agriculture, Food and Nutritional
Security</i>) | Mr. N. G. H. Rowe, J.P. |
| | Dr. R. O. Springer, J.P., Ph.D. (<i>Parliamentary
Secretary in the Ministry of Transport and
Works</i>) |
| | Hon. D. I. Ishmael, M.B.A., M.Sc. (<i>Minister of State
in the Ministry of Health and Wellness</i>) |
| | Mr. C. A. Lane, J.P. |
| | Mr. C. D. L. Gibbs |

ABSENT

Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, S.C., LL.B. (*Prime Minister, Minister of Finance, Economic Affairs, Culture, National Security, Public Service, CARICOM and the Development Commissions*), Mr. E. G. Hinkson, S.C., LL.B. (*Hons.*), *L.E.C., LL.M.*, Hon. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (*Dist.*) (*Minister of Housing, Lands and Maintenance*), Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid, J.P., B.D.S., F.D.S., F.D.R.C.S., M. Min. (*Senior Minister*) (*Minister of Planning and Development in the Prime Ministers Office*), Dr. S. E. Browne, M.B.B.S., Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.P.A. (*Minister of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs*), Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore, J.P., M.B.A. and Hon. Miss K. S. McConney (*Minister of Economic Affairs and Investment*).

PRAYERS

Prayers were taken by Hon. C. E. Jordan.

SUSPENSION

At 10.49 a.m. on the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. K. D. Symmonds, the Sitting was suspended to 12.00 o'clock noon.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

PAPERS

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw by command laid the following:

Reports of the Judicial Council for the years 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023.
Loan Contract No. 5980/OC-BA between the Government of Barbados and the Inter-American Development Bank: Program to Strengthen Social Services in Barbados II.
Loan Contract between the Government of Barbados and the Corporación Adina de Fomento/ CAF - Development Bank of Latin America and the Caribbean Sector Wide Approach Programme (SWAP) to Support the Operation "Roots From Cultural Heritage to Innovation in Barbados", February 21, 2025.

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

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael, Standing Orders 6, 16, 18, 20, 42(5), 43 and 44 were suspended for the remainder of the Sitting.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**ORDER NO.10****SEAPORT INDUSTRY (MANAGEMENT, OPERATIONS AND DEVELOPMENT) BILL, 2025**

On the Order being called for Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to provide for the regulation of the management, operations and development of the seaport industry, the Hon. Member spoke and moved, seconded by Hon. C. McD. Griffith that the Bill be read a second time. Mr. R. A. Thome spoke.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael the Sitting was suspended at 2.18 p.m. to 3.15 p.m.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 10 (resumed)

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

Hon. A. R. Forde spoke.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. W. A. Abrahams, seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael, the Sitting was suspended at 4.35 p.m. to 4.50 p.m.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 10 (resumed)

Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the House went into Committee, Mr. P. R. Phillips in the Chair.

Clauses I to 71 (as amended) and 72 to 94 (as amended) were called in Parts and passed on the separate motion of Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams.

The First to the Sixth Schedules were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams.

On the motion of Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams 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. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY HIS HONOUR THE SPEAKER (recommitted)

On the motion of Hon. W. A. Abrahams, seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael the Minutes of the following meetings were confirmed:

- Monday, September 30th, 2024;
- Tuesday, October 8th, 2024;
- Tuesday, November 19th, 2024;
- Tuesday, December 17th, 2024;
- Tuesday, January 7th, 2025;
- Friday, January 17th, 2025;
- Tuesday, 28th January, 2025.

PAPERS (recommitted)

Hon. W. A. Abrahams by command laid the following:

Financial Services Commission Annual Reports for the years 2021-2022; 2022-2023; and 2023-2024.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Sitting was suspended at 5.25 p.m. to 5.40 p.m.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES (recommitted)

Hon. D. D. Marshall gave notice of the following:

1. Resolution to grant the sum of TWO HUNDRED AND EIGHT-TWO MILLION, FOUR HUNDRED AND TWENTY-ONE, THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED AND FOURTEEN DOLLARS from the Consolidated Fund and to place it at the disposal of the Government to supplement the Estimates 2024- 2025 as shown in the Supplementary Estimates No. 4 2024-2025 which form the Schedule to the Resolution.

2. Resolution to grant the sum of ONE HUNDRED AND TWO MILLION, EIGHT HUNDRED AND SIXTEEN THOUSAND AND FIFTY-ONE DOLLARS from the Consolidated Fund and to place it at the disposal of the Government to supplement the Estimates 2024-2025 as shown in the Supplementary Estimates No. 5 2024-2025 which form the Schedule to the Resolution.

**GOVERNMENT BUSINESS
ORDER NO.12**

On the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, the House resolved itself into Standing Finance Committee, Mr. P.R. Phillips in the Chair, on the following Money Resolutions:

(A) SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES 2024-2025 NO. 4

Hon. R. R. Straughn to move the passing of the following Resolution:

RESOLVED that the sum of TWO HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-TWO MILLION, FOUR HUNDRED AND TWENTY-ONE THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED AND FOURTEEN DOLLARS be granted from the Consolidated Fund and be placed at the disposal of the Government to Supplement the Estimates 2024 - 2025 as shown in the Supplementary Estimates No. 4, 2024 - 2025 which form the Schedule to this Resolution.

SCHEDULE

Supplementary Estimates 2024 – 2025 No.4

HEAD	Code Number	Provision in Approved Estimates 2024 – 2025	Provision in Supplementary Estimates Nos. 1-3	Supplementary Provision Required
		Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure
HEAD 10 – OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT Program 001: Office of the President Subprogram 0001: Office of the President <i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>	100010001	\$	\$	\$
HEAD 12 – PARLIAMENT Program 030: Parliament Subprogram 0030: Management Commission of Parliament <i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	120300030		105,525	10,216
Subprogram 0031: Commonwealth Parliamentary Association & Exchange Visits <i>Account Code: 212 – Operating Expenses</i>	120300031	205,234	11,573,724	2,186,572
HEAD 13 – PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE Program 040: Direction and Policy Formulation Services Subprogram 7000: General Management & Coordination Services <i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>	130407000		140,463	86,091
		394,018	47,537	91,356

SCHEDULE – Cont'd
Supplementary Estimates 2024 – 2025 No. 4 – Cont'd

HEAD	Code Number	Provision in Approved Estimates 2024 – 2025	Provision in Supplementary Estimates Nos. 1–3	Supplementary Provision Required
		Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure
		\$	\$	\$
HEAD 13 – PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE – <i>Cont'd</i>				
Subprogram 0041: Prime Minister's Official Residence <i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>	130400041	107,541	83,581	42,500
Subprogram 0144: Planning and Development Department <i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>	130400144	225,806	128,807	28,958
Program 041: National Defence and Security Preparedness				
Subprogram 0042: National Security <i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>	130410042	194,825	242,635	57,800
<i>Account Code: 103 – National Insurance</i>		845,510	222,200	222,200
Subprogram 0043: Barbados Defence Force <i>Account Code: 416 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	130410043	12,154,657		2,300,000
Program 166: Rural Development				
Subprogram 0181: Rural Development Commission <i>Account Code: 416 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	131660181	6,500,000		7,000,000
Program 276: Culture				
Subprogram 0298: National Cultural Foundation <i>Account Code: 212 – Operating Expenses</i>	132760298	11,341,662		14,000,000
Program 322: Development of Tourism Potential				
Subprogram 0347: Barbados Tourism Investment Inc. <i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	133220347	2,916,552		1,000,000
<i>Account Code: 416 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>		11,260,823		13,000,000
Program 337: Investment Promotion and Facilitation				
Subprogram 7083: Invest Barbados <i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	133377083	8,170,425		3,000,000

SCHEDULE – Cont'd
Supplementary Estimates 2024 – 2025 No. 4 – Cont'd

HEAD	Code Number	Provision in Approved Estimates 2024 – 2025	Provision in Supplementary Estimates Nos. 1–3	Supplementary Provision Required
		Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure
HEAD 13 – PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE – <i>Cont'd</i>		\$	\$	\$
Program 518: Barbados Water Authority				
Subprogram 0542: Barbados Water Authority	135180542			
<i>Account Code: 416 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>		15,000,000		8,000,000
Program 631: Urban Development				
Subprogram 0534: Urban Development Commission	136310534			
<i>Account Code: 416 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>		5,625,000		7,000,000
HEAD 17 – OMBUDSMAN				
Program 090: Investigations of Complaints Against Government Departments				
Subprogram 0090: Ombudsman	170900090			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		835,332		15,000
HEAD 27 – MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORT				
Program 332: Development of Tourism Potential				
Subprogram 0343: Barbados Conference Services Limited	273320343			
<i>Account Code: 416 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>				9,511,821
Program 333: International Transport				
Subprogram 7065: General Management and Coordination Services	273337065			
<i>Account Code: 416 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>				1,000,000
HEAD 30 – OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL				
Program 244: Police Services				
Subprogram 0255: Police Headquarters and Management	302440255			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		253,267		2,088,270

SCHEDULE – Cont'd
Supplementary Estimates 2024 – 2025 No. 4 – Cont'd

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		Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure
		\$	\$	\$
HEAD 30 – OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL – <i>Cont'd</i>				
<i>Account Code: 211 – Maintenance of Property</i>		6,962,561		2,046,360
<i>Account Code: 752 – Machinery and Equipment</i>		2,419,544		248,559
Subprogram 0256: General Police Services	302440256			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		20,302,508		7,231,644
<i>Account Code: 207 – Utilities</i>		4,081,358		809,733
Subprogram 0257: Regional Police Training Centre	302440257			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		100,985		70,000
Subprogram 0258: Police Band	302440258			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		238,368		267,280
HEAD 31 – MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY, INNOVATION, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY				
Program 040: Direction and Policy Formulation				
Subprogram 0320: Public Sector Modernization Programme	310400320			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		709,941		293,092
<i>Account Code: 226 – Professional Services</i>		5,482,872		2,500,323
<i>Account Code: 752 – Machinery and Equipment</i>		975,625		89,689
Subprogram 7157: General Management and Coordination Services	310407157			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		60,628		51,371
<i>Account Code: 103 – National Insurance</i>		120,491		4,644
Program 043: Application of Modern Information Technology				
Subprogram 0087: Shared Services	310430087			
<i>Account Code: 212 – Operating Expenses</i>		505,200	298,000	298,000

SCHEDULE – Cont'd
Supplementary Estimates 2024 – 2025 No. 4 – Cont'd

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		Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure
		\$	\$	\$
HEAD 31 – MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY, INNOVATION, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY – <i>Cont'd</i> Program 460: Investment, Industrial, and Export Development Subprogram 0462: Barbados Investment and Development Corporation <i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institutions</i> <i>Account Code: 416 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	314600462			4,448,321
Program 084: Establishment of a GovTech Agency Subprogram 0311: GOVTECH Barbados Ltd <i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	310840311	6,867,029	9,630,071	10,000,000
		5,462,670		17,000,000
HEAD 33 – MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND INFORMATION Program 040: Direction and Policy Formulation Services Subprogram 7156: General Management & Coordination Services <i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institutions</i> <i>Account Code: 416 – Capital Grants to Public Institutions</i>	330407156		10,301,526	2,100,000
Program 243: Corrective and Rehabilitative Services Subprogram 0252: Prison Department <i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i> <i>Account Code: 752 – Machinery and Equipment</i>	332430252	2,688,715		734,014
		905,805		324,377

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HEAD	Code Number	Provision in Approved Estimates 2024 – 2025	Provision in Supplementary Estimates Nos. 1–3	Supplementary Provision Required
		Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure
		\$	\$	\$
HEAD 34 – MINISTRY OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC AFFAIRS AND INVESTMENT				
Program 002: Financial Control & Treasury Management				
Subprogram 0131: Accountant General's Office	340020131			
<i>Account Code: 212 – Operating Expenses</i>		6,108,462		4,837,343
Program 040: Direction & Policy Formulation				
Subprogram 0022: Contingencies	340400022			
<i>Account Code: 750 – Land Acquisition</i>			21,589,592	18,248,217
Program 119: Lending				
Subprogram 0141: Loan and Advances	341190141			
<i>Account Code: 628 – Advances to Public Officers</i>		550,000		395,974
Program 124: Barbados Employment and Sustainable Transformation (BEST) Plan				
Subprogram 0576: Enterprise Growth Fund Ltd (EGFL) Fund	341240576			
<i>Account Code: 416 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>				5,000,000
HEAD 35 – MINISTRY OF PEOPLE EMPOWERMENT AND ELDER AFFAIRS				
Program 278: Family				
Subprogram 0564: Family Affairs	352780564			
<i>Account Code: 751 – Property and Plant</i>				518,000
<i>Account Code: 753 – Furniture and Fittings</i>				126,700
Program 423: Personal Social Services Delivery Program				
Subprogram 0427: Welfare Department	354230427			
<i>Account Code: 313 – Subsidies</i>		4,000,000		2,000,000
<i>Account Code: 314 – Grants to Individuals</i>		33,543,176		1,100,000

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Supplementary Estimates 2024 – 2025 No. 4 – Cont'd

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		Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure
		\$	\$	\$
HEAD 35 – MINISTRY OF PEOPLE EMPOWERMENT AND ELDER AFFAIRS – <i>Cont'd</i> Subprogram 0428: National Assistance Board <i>Account Code: 212 – Operating Expenses</i>	354230428			5,000,000
<i>Account Code: 416 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>		7,815,000		18,355,300
Program 635: Disaster Social Response and Relief Subprogram 0488: Resilience and Reintegration Unit <i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>	356350488			328,288
<i>Account Code: 103 – Employers Contribution</i>				20,354
<i>Account Code: 212 – Operating Expenses</i>		100,000	2,000,000	850,000
HEAD 40 – MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND WORKS Program 517: Transport Subprogram 0527: Transport Board Subsidy <i>Account Code: 416 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	405170527			5,000,000
HEAD 82 – MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATIONAL BEAUTIFICATION Program 400: Environmental Health Services Subprogram 0372: Sanitation Service Authority <i>Account Code: 416 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	824000372		24,157,422	11,000,000
Program 650: Preservation and Conservation Subprogram 0386: National Conservation Commission <i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	826500386			12,000,000

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Supplementary Estimates 2024 – 2025 No. 4 – Cont'd

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		Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure
		\$	\$	\$
HEAD 82 – MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATIONAL BEAUTIFICATION – <i>Cont'd</i> Program 651: Primary Environmental Care Subprogram 0411: Environmental Protection Department <i>Account Code: 212 – Operating Expenses</i> <i>Account Code: 226 – Professional Services</i>	826510411	573,374		1,200,000
		503,034		17,000
HEAD 83 – MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND NUTRITIONAL SECURITY Program 040: Direction and Policy Formulation Subprogram 7055: General Management and Coordination Services <i>Account Code: 212 – Operating Expenses</i>	830407055	274,930		2,500,000
Program 160: Measures to Stimulate Increased Crop Production Subprogram 0636: Barbados Agricultural Development Marketing Corporation <i>Account Code: 416 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	831600636	650,000		5,000,000
Program 162: Resource Development and Protection Subprogram 0170: Veterinary Services <i>Account Code: 751 – Property and Plant</i>	831620170			765,847

SCHEDULE – Concl'd**Supplementary Estimates 2024 – 2025 No. 4 – Concl'd**

HEAD	Code Number	Provision in Approved Estimates 2024 – 2025	Provision in Supplementary Estimates Nos. 1–3	Supplementary Provision Required
		Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure
		\$	\$	\$
HEAD 84 – MINISTRY OF LABOUR, SOCIAL SECURITY AND THIRD SECTOR Program 120: Operations of NIS & Social Security Subprogram 0142: National Insurance Department <i>Account Code: 314 – Grants to Individuals</i>	841200142			55,000,000
Subprogram 0560: Catastrophe Fund <i>Account Code: 416 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	841200560			5,000,000

HEAD 10 – OFFICE OF PRESIDENT – \$10,216.00

Head 10 was passed on the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams.

HEAD 12 – PARLIAMENT – \$2,272,663.00

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, Head 12 was passed.

HEAD 13 – PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE – \$55,742,814.00

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn who spoke, seconded by Hon. K. D. Symmonds, Head 13 was passed.

HEAD 17 – OMBUDSMAN – \$15,000.00

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn, seconded by Hon. K. D. Symmonds, Head 17 was passed.

HEAD 27 – MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORT – \$10,511,821.00

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn who spoke, seconded by Hon. K. D. Symmonds, Head 27 was passed.

HEAD 31 – MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY, INNOVATION, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY – \$34,685,440.00

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn who spoke, seconded by Hon. K. D. Symmonds, Head 31 was passed.

HEAD 33 – MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND INFORMATION – \$12,158,391.00

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn who spoke, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, Head 33 was passed.

HEAD 34 – MINISTRY OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC AFFAIRS AND INVESTMENT – \$28,481,534.00

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn who spoke, seconded by Hon. C. McD. Griffith, Head 34 was passed.

**HEAD 35 – MINISTRY OF PEOPLE EMPOWERMENT
AND ELDER AFFAIRS – \$28,298,642.00**

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn who spoke, seconded by Hon. C. E. Jordan, Head 35 was passed.

HEAD 40 – MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND WORKS – \$5,000,000.00

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn who spoke, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, Head 40 was passed.

**HEAD 82 – MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATIONAL
BEAUTIFICATION – \$10,235,792.00**

On the motion of Hon. A. R. Forde who spoke, seconded by Hon. C. McD. Griffith, Head 82 was passed.

**HEAD 83 – MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND
NUTRITIONAL SECURITY – \$8,265,847.00**

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn who spoke, seconded by Hon. K. D. Symmonds, Head 83 was passed.

**HEAD 84 – MINISTRY OF LABOUR, SOCIAL SECURITY
AND THIRD SECTOR – \$60,000,000.00**

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn who spoke, seconded by Hon. K. D. Symmonds, Head 84 was passed.

(B) SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES 2024-2025 NO. 5

Hon. R. R. Straughn to move the passing of the following Resolution:

RESOLVED that the sum of ONE HUNDRED AND TWO MILLION, EIGHT HUNDRED AND SIXTEEN THOUSAND AND FIFTY-ONE DOLLARS be granted from the Consolidated Fund and be placed at the disposal of the Government to supplement the Estimates 2024 – 2025 as shown in the Supplementary Estimates No. 5, 2024 – 2025 which form the Schedule to this Resolution.

SCHEDULE**Supplementary Estimates 2024 – 2025 No. 5**

HEAD	Code Number	Provision in Approved Estimates 2024 – 2025	Provision in Supplementary Estimates Nos. 1- 4	Supplementary Provision Required
		Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure
		\$	\$	\$
HEAD 86 – MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND WELLNESS				
Program 040: Direction and Policy Formulation Services				
Subprogram 0361: Technical Management Services	860400361			
<i>Account Code: 211 – Maintenance of Property</i>		1,155,500		381,000
Subprogram 7045: General Management and Coordination Services	860407045			
<i>Account Code: 103 – National Insurance</i>		1,189,000		168,000
Program 360: Primary Health Care Services				
Subprogram 0363: Laboratory Services	863600363			
<i>Account Code: 103 – National Insurance</i>		1,189,000		58,000
Subprogram 0365: Nutrition Services	863600365			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		31,187		33,900
Subprogram 0406: Winston Scott Polyclinic	863600406			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		2,046,557		402,000
<i>Account Code: 103 – National Insurance</i>		700,000		23,730
Subprogram 0407: Eunice Gibson Polyclinic	863600407			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		579,489		16,200

SCHEDULE – Cont'd
Supplementary Estimates 2024 – 2025 No. 5 – Cont'd

HEAD	Code Number	Provision in Approved Estimates 2024 – 2025	Provision in Supplementary Estimates Nos. 1- 4	Supplementary Provision Required
		Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure
HEAD 86 – MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND WELLNESS – <i>Cont'd</i>		\$	\$	\$
Subprogram 0414: Branford Taitt Polyclinic	863600414			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		686,374		189,540
Program 361: Hospital Services				
Subprogram 0375: Queen Elizabeth Hospital	863610375			
<i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institution</i>		100,889,577	33,790,589	20,672,189
<i>Account Code: 416 – Capital Grants to Public Institutions</i>				14,322,826
Subprogram 0380: QEH Medical Aid Scheme	863610380			
<i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institution</i>				1,233,000
Program 364: Care of the Elderly				
Subprogram 0446: Geriatric District Hospital	863640446			
<i>Account Code: 210 – Supplies and Materials</i>		465,901		318,500
Subprogram 0447: St Philip District Hospital	863640447			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		707,642		80,000
<i>Account Code: 103 – National Insurance</i>		610,000		45,000
Subprogram 0449: St Lucy District Hospital	863640449			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		240,309		96,582
HEAD 87 – MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, TECHNOLOGICAL AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING				
Program 271: Basic Educational Development				
Subprogram 0571: Nursery and Primary Schools	872710571			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		12,239,398		9,819,611
<i>Account Code: 103 – Employers' Contributions</i>		12,695,266		1,245,328

SCHEDULE – *Cont'd*Supplementary Estimates 2024 – 2025 No. 5 – *Cont'd*

HEAD	Code Number	Provision in Approved Estimates 2024 – 2025	Provision in Supplementary Estimates Nos. 1- 4	Supplementary Provision Required
		Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure
HEAD 87 – MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, TECHNOLOGICAL AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING – <i>Cont'd</i>		\$	\$	\$
Program 272: Secondary				
Subprogram 0640: Alexandra School	872720640			
<i>Account Code: 207 – Utilities</i>		131,650		238,116
Subprogram 0644: Coleridge and Parry School	872720644			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		1,045,240		96,000
<i>Account Code: 207 – Utilities</i>		294,400		150,000
Subprogram 0646: Deighton Griffith Secondary	872720646			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		1,487,239		140,447
Subprogram 0647: Ellerslie Secondary School	872720647			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		1,497,687		126,435
Subprogram 0648: Graydon Sealy	872720648			
<i>Account Code: 785 – Assets Under Construction</i>				10,000,000
Subprogram 0651: Lester Vaughn School	872720651			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		1,216,168		171,378
Subprogram 0652: Lodge School	872720652			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		1,433,952		366,562
<i>Account Code: 103 – Employer's Contributions</i>		605,880		15,000
Subprogram 0653: Parkinson Memorial	872720653			
<i>Account Code: 785 – Assets Under Construction</i>				1,983,334
Subprogram 0655: Queen's College	872720655			
<i>Account Code: 211 – Maintenance of Property</i>		180,630		85,000
<i>Account Code: 212 – Operating Expenses</i>		101,900		60,000

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HEAD 87 – MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, TECHNOLOGICAL AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING – <i>Concl'd</i>		\$	\$	\$
Subprogram 0657: Frederick Smith Secondary School <i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>	872720657	1,517,577		260,000
<i>Account Code: 103 – Employer's Contribution</i>		570,678		52,024
Subprogram 0659: Daryll Jordan Secondary <i>Account Code: 785 – Assets Under Construction</i>	872720659			1,983,334
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		1,503,198		29,940
Program 273: Tertiary				
Subprogram 0285: Barbados Community College <i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	872730285	24,627,486		2,173,435
Program 275: Special Services				
Subprogram 0292: Transport of Pupils <i>Account Code: 313 – Subsidies</i>	872750292	4,120,000		2,837,890
HEAD 91 – MINISTRY OF YOUTH, SPORTS AND COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT				
Program 425: Promotion of Sporting Achievement & Fitness				
Subprogram 0432: National Sports Council <i>Account Code: 416 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	914250432	5,935,000		15,000,000
HEAD 92 – MINISTRY OF ENERGY AND BUSINESS				
Program 040: Direction and Policy Formulation				
Subprogram 0490: International Business & Financial Services <i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>	920400490	856,795		18,000
<i>Account Code: 103 – National Insurance Contributions</i>		132,703		31,300

SCHEDULE – *Conl'd*Supplementary Estimates 2024 – 2025 No. 5 – *Conl'd*

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HEAD 92 – MINISTRY OF ENERGY AND BUSINESS – <i>Conl'd</i>		\$	\$	\$
Subprogram 7040: General Management and Coordination Services	920407040			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		134,268		3,000
<i>Account Code: 103 – National Insurance Contributions</i>		67,238		2,500
Subprogram 0162: Trust Loan Funds Ltd	920400162			
<i>Account Code: 416 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>		2,000,000		2,000,000
Program 128: Micro Enterprise Development				
Subprogram 0157: Bdos Agency for Micro-Enterprise Development (Fund)	921280157			
<i>Account Code: 416 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>			3,000,000	3,000,000
HEAD 93 – MINISTRY OF HOUSING, LANDS AND MAINTENANCE				
Program 522: Land and Property Acquisition and Management Program				
Subprogram 0539: Property Management	935220539			
<i>Account Code: 208 – Rental of Property</i>		50,836,235		12,886,950

HEAD 86 – MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND WELLNESS – \$38,040,467.00

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn who spoke, seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael, Head 86 was passed.

**HEAD 87 – MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, TECHNOLOGICAL
AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING – \$31,833,834.00**

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn who spoke, seconded by Hon. K. D. Symmonds, Head 87 was passed.

**HEAD 91 – MINISTRY OF YOUTH, SPORTS AND
COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT – \$15,000,000.00**

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn who spoke, seconded by Hon. C. E. Jordan, Head 91 was passed.

HEAD 92 – MINISTRY OF ENERGY AND BUSINESS – \$5,054,800.00

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn who spoke, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, Head 92 was passed.

**HEAD 93 – MINISTRY OF HOUSING, LANDS AND
MAINTENANCE – \$12,886,950.00**

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn who spoke, seconded by Hon. K. D. Symmonds, Head 93 was passed.

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn, seconded by Hon. C. E. Jordan, the Chairman reported to the Speaker who resumed the Chair, the passing of two Money Resolutions in Standing Finance Committee.

On the separate motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall, seconded by Hon. K. D. Symmonds the Resolutions were read a first and second time and agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, the House was adjourned to Tuesday, 22nd April, 2025 at 10.00 a.m.

At 6.45 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 _____, 2025.

Speaker.

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