

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 July, 2020, 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)
- Hon. G. W. Payne, Q.C. (Minister of Housing, Lands and Rural Development)
- 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. 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)
- Hon. T. A. Prescod, B.A. (Minister of Environment and National Beautification)
- Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic, MVO, B.A. (Hons.) (Minister of Health and Wellness)
- Hon. E. G. Hinkson, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M. (Minister of Home Affairs)
- Hon. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.) (Minister of Small Business, Entrepreneurship and Commerce)
- Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (Minister of Education, Technological and Vocational Training)
- Bishop J. J. S. Atherley, J.P., B.A., B.Sc., PgD. (Leader of the Opposition)
- Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid, J.P., B.D.S., F.D.S., F.D.R.C.S., M. Min. (Minister of Transport, Works and Maintenance)

- Hon. W. A. Abrahams, LL.B. (Minister of Energy and Water Resources)
- Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, B.A. (Hons.), M.Sc. (Minister in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade)
- Hon. I. A. Weir, M.B.A. (Minister of Agriculture and Food Security)
- Hon. A. R. Forde, RPh. (Minister of Youth and Community Empowerment)
- Hon. C. McD. Griffith, B.Sc. (Minister in the Ministry of Housing, Lands and Rural Development)
- Hon. P. R. Phillips (Minister in the Ministry of Transport, Works and Maintenance)
- Hon. J. A. King, BSS (Minister of Creative Economy, Culture and Sports)
- Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill
- Hon. C. E. Jordan, B.Sc. (Hons.) (Minister of Labour and Social Partnership Relations)
- 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)
- Hon. Miss M. K-A. Caddle, B.A., M.Sc. (Minister in the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Investment)
- Mr. N. G. H. Rowe, J. P. (Parliamentary Secretary in the Ministry of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs)

ABSENT

Hon. R. St. C. Toppin, LL.B. (Hons.) (Minister of International Business and Industry), Hon. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B. (Minister of Tourism and International Transport), Mr. R. A. Thorne, Q.C., LL.B., L.E.C., Dip. Theology and Dr. S. E. Browne, M.B.B.S. (Chairman of Committees).

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, 20th March, 2020; Wednesday, 1st April, 2020; Tuesday, 2nd June, 2020; Tuesday, 9th June, 2020 and Tuesday, 16th June, 2020 were taken as read and were confirmed on the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey.

The Minutes of the meeting of Tuesday, 23rd June, 2020 were deferred on the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey.

PAPERS

The Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw by command laid:

The Report on the Barbados General Election 2018.

FIRST READINGS OF BILLS

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey the following Bills were read a first time:

- 1. The Fair Trading Commission (Amendment) Bill, 2020; and
- 2. The Utilities Regulation (Amendment) Bill, 2020.

ORDERS OF THE DAY SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw 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. 15

FAIR TRADING COMMISSION (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2020

On the Order being called for Hon. D. G. Sutherland to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the *Fair Trading Commission Act*, Cap. 326B, to extend the functions of the Commission to include renewable energy producers,

the Hon. Member sought and obtained leave to introduce the Bill and the Utilities Regulation (Amendment) Bill, 2020 in a cognate debate,

the Hon. Member spoke and moved seconded by Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde that the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

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

Hon. D. G. Sutherland spoke on a point of order.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

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

Mr. Speaker spoke.

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

Hon. D. G. Sutherland spoke on a point of order.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

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

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

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey the Sitting was suspended to 2.15 p.m.

At 12.55 p.m. Mr. Speaker suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Deputy Speaker assumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 15 (resumed)

Hon. W. A. Abrahams began to speak.

Mr. Deputy Speaker spoke.

Hon. W. A. Abrahams concluded his speech.

Hon. I. A. Weir spoke.

Hon. D. G. Sutherland spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES

On the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. C. E. Jordan, Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill was appointed temporary Chairman of Committees for the remainder of the Sitting.

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

Clauses 1 to 4 were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. D. G. Sutherland seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams.

On the motion of Hon. D. G. Sutherland seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Acting 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. G. Sutherland seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 13 POLICE (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2020

On the Order being called for Hon. D. D. Marshall to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the *Police Act*, Cap. 167, to provide for two Deputy Commissioners and for related matters, the Hon. Member moved, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams that the Bill be introduced in a cognate debate with the Supreme Court of Judicature (Amendment) Bill, 2020.

Bishop J. J. S. Atherley spoke.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

The motion was passed.

Hon. D. D. Marshall began to speak.

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

Mr. Speaker spoke.

Hon. D. D. Marshall concluded his speech and moved seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams that the Bill be read a second time.

Bishop J. J. S. Atherley spoke.

Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke.

Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic began to speak.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic concluded his speech.

Hon. E. G. Hinkson spoke.

His Honour G. A. Clarke spoke.

Hon. D. D. Marshall spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey the House went into Committee, Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 4 and 5 to 7 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 Acting 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.

ORDER NO. 12

SUPREME COURT OF JUDICATURE (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2020

On the Order being called for Hon. D. D. Marshall to move the second reading of the Bill to amend the Supreme Court of Judicature (Amendment) Bill, 2020,

the Hon. Member moved, seconded by Hon. A. R. Forde that the Bill be read a second time.

The motion was passed.

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

Clauses 1 and 2 were called and passed on the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde.

On the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. J. A. King the Acting 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. C. E. Jordan the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde the House was adjourned to Tuesday, 21st July, 2020 at 10.00 a.m.

At 6.08 p.m. Mr. Speaker 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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Speaker.

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