



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 27th day of November, 2018, pursuant to the adjournment.

PRESENT

- His Honour G. A. Clarke, J.P., B.Sc., Dip. Ed. (*Deputy Speaker*)
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| Hon. G. W. Payne, Q.C. (<i>Minister of Housing, Lands and Rural Development</i>) | Hon. W. A. Abrahams, LL.B. (<i>Minister of Energy and Water Resources</i>) |
| Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P. (<i>Minister of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs</i>) | Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, B.A. (Hons.), M.Sc. (<i>Minister in the Ministry of Foreign Trade</i>) |
| Hon. D. D. Marshall, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (<i>Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs</i>) | Mr. R. A. Thorne, Q.C., LL.B., L.E.C., Dip. Theology |
| Hon. T. A. Prescod, B.A. (<i>Minister of Environment and National Beautification</i>) | Hon. I. A. Weir, M.B.A. (<i>Minister of Agriculture and Food Security</i>) |
| Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic, MVO, B.A. (Hons.) (<i>Minister of Health and Wellness</i>) | Hon. A. R. Forde, RPh. (<i>Minister of Youth and Community Empowerment</i>) |
| Hon. E. G. Hinkson, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M. (<i>Minister of Home Affairs</i>) | Hon. C. McD. Griffith, B.Sc. (<i>Minister in the Ministry of Housing, Lands and Rural Development</i>) |
| Hon. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.) (<i>Minister of Small Business Entrepreneurship and Commerce</i>) | Hon. P. R. Phillips (<i>Minister in the Ministry of Transport, Works and Maintenance</i>) |
| 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>) | Hon. R. R. Straughn, B.Sc., M.Sc. (<i>Minister in the Ministry of Finance</i>) |
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Mr. N. G. H. Rowe (*Parliamentary Secretary in the Ministry of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs*)

ABSENT

His Honour A. E. Holder, B.Sc. (Hons.), MSW, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (*Speaker*), Hon. R. St. C. Toppin, LL.B. (Hons.) (*Minister of International Business and Industry*), 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 Tourism and International Transport*), Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (*Minister of Education, Technological and Vocational Training*), Hon. J. A. King, BSS (*Minister of Creative Economy, Culture and Sports*), Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill, 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*) and Hon. Miss M. K-A. Caddle, B.A., M.Sc. (*Minister in the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Investment*).

The absence of His Honour the Speaker was announced.

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

Prayers were taken by Rev. Father Mark Harewood.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of Tuesday, 20th November, 2018 were deferred on the motion of Hon. E. G. Hinkson seconded by Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde.

PAPERS

Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid by command laid the following:

Road Traffic (Registration Fees) Order, 2018.

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

On the motion of Hon. E. G. Hinkson seconded by Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde Standing Orders 6, 16, 18, 20, 42(5), 43 and 44 were suspended for the remainder of the Sitting.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**ORDER NO. 4****INCOME TAX (AMENDMENT AND VALIDATION) BILL, 2018**

On the Order being called Hon. R. R. Straughn to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the *Income Tax Act*, Cap. 73 to make provision for an increase of certain rates of tax payable, the validation of purported payment and collection of the tax at an increased rate, and for related matters, the Hon. Member spoke and moved seconded by Hon. C. E. Jordan that the Bill be read a second time.

Bishop J. J. S. Atherley began to speak and drew to the attention of Mr. Deputy Speaker the absence of a quorum. The bell was rung and a quorum obtained.

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

Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid spoke on a point of order.

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

Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid spoke on a point of order.

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

Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid began to speak.

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

Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid concluded his speech.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. E. G. Hinkson seconded by Hon. D. D. Marshall the Sitting was suspended to 2.15 p.m.

At 12.35 p.m. Mr. Deputy Speaker suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 4 (resumed)

Hon. C. S. V. Husbands spoke.

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

Hon. R. R. Straughn spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn seconded by Hon. C. E. Jordan, Mr. R. A. Thorne was appointed temporary Chairman of Committees for the remainder of the Sitting.

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn seconded by Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde the House went into Committee, Mr. R. A. Thorne in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 8 were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn seconded by Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid.

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn seconded by Hon. C. E. Jordan the Chairman reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to Mr. Deputy Speaker who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn seconded by Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 5

FUEL TAX BILL, 2018

On the Order being called Hon. R. R. Straughn to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to be cited as the *Fuel Tax Act, 2018* to make provision for the imposition of a tax to be known as a “fuel tax” and for related matters,

the Hon. Member spoke and moved seconded by Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid who spoke that the Bill be read a second time.

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

Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid spoke on a point of order.

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

Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid spoke on a point of order.

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

Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid spoke on a point of order.

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

Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid spoke on a point of order.

Mr. Deputy Speaker spoke.

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

Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid spoke on a point of order.

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

Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid spoke on a point of order.

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

Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid spoke on a point of order.

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

Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke.

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

Hon. R. R. Straughn spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn seconded by Hon. C. E. Jordan the House went into Committee, Mr. R. O. Thorne in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 12 and the Schedule were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn seconded by Hon. C. E. Jordan.

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn seconded by Hon. C. E. Jordan the Chairman reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to Mr. Deputy Speaker who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn seconded by Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. E. G. Hinkson spoke and moved seconded by Bishop J. J. S. Atherley who spoke that the House be adjourned to Tuesday, 4th December, 2018 at 10.00 a.m.

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

Mr. Deputy Speaker spoke.

The motion was passed.

At 5.55 p.m. Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the Sitting.

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

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the _____ day of _____, 2018.

Speaker.

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