



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

The Honourable the House of Assembly

At a meeting of the House of Assembly at the Parliament Buildings on Friday, the 15th day of December, 2017, pursuant to the adjournment.

PRESENT

His Honour M. A. Carrington, Q.C., B.A., LL.B. (*Speaker*)

Mr. G. A. Clarke, J.P., B.Sc., Dip. Ed.	Hon. S. D. Blackett, J.P. (<i>Minister of Social Care, Constituency Empowerment and Community Development</i>)
Hon. D. St. E. Kellman (<i>Minister of Housing, Lands and Rural Development</i>)	Mr. J. D. Paul, B.Sc. (<i>Chairman of Committees</i>)
Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P.	Dr. the Hon. D. S. Lowe, Dip. Theology, B.A., M.Ed., Ed.D. (<i>Minister of Environment and Drainage</i>)
Hon. R. D. Jones, J.P., B.A. (Hons.), M.A. Ed. (<i>Minister of Education, Science, Technology and Innovation</i>)	Hon. A. D. Brathwaite, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.) (<i>Attorney General and Minister of Home Affairs</i>)
Hon. M. A. Lashley, LL.B. (Hons.) (<i>Minister of Transport and Works</i>)	Hon. S. A. Lashley, GCM, B.Sc., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (<i>Minister of Culture, Sports and Youth</i>)
Hon. R. L. Sealy, B.Sc., M.B.A. (<i>Minister of Tourism and International Transport</i>)	Hon. D. O'N. Inniss, B.Sc., M.B.A. (<i>Minister of Industry, International Business, Commerce and Small Business Development</i>),
Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart, Q.C., B.A., LL.M. (<i>Prime Minister, Minister of National Security, The Public Service and Urban Development</i>),	Hon. C. P. Sinckler, B.A., M.Sc. (<i>Minister of Finance and Economic Affairs</i>)
Hon. J. D. E. Boyce, M.Sc., C. Eng. (<i>Minister of Health</i>) (<i>Leader of the House</i>)	Mr. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B.
	Lt. Col. J. D. Bostic, MVO, B.A. (Hons.)
	Mr. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.)

ABSENT

Her Honour Mrs. M-J. M. Thompson, B.A., M.Sc. (Ph. Ed.) (*Deputy Speaker*), Rt. Hon. O. S. Arthur, M.Sc. (Econ.), Mr. G. W. Payne, Q.C., Mr. R. St. C. Toppin, LL.B. (Hons.), Miss M. A. Mottley, Q.C., LL.B. (*Leader of the Opposition*), Dr. the Hon. D. C. Estwick, B.Sc., M.B., B.S. (*Minister of Agriculture, Food, Fisheries and Water Resource Management*), Mr. D. D. Marshall, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., Mr. T. A. Prescod, B.A., Mr. E. G. Hinkson, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M., Dr. M. M. Agard, J.P., B.Sc., M.Sc., D.D.S. and Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.)

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

Prayers were taken by Rev. Father Mark Harewood.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of Friday, 8th December, 2017 were deferred on the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart Standing Orders 6, 16, 18, 20, 42(5), 43 and 44 were suspended for the remainder of the day's Sitting.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDER NO. 23

VALUE ADDED TAX (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2017

On the Order being called for Hon. C. P. Sinckler to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Value Added Tax Act to provide for waivers of penalties and interest incurred on arrears of tax,

the Hon. Member spoke and moved seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce that the Bill be read a second time.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Hon. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce the House went into Committee, Mr. J. D. Paul in the Chair.

Clauses 1 & 2 were called and passed.

On the motion of Hon. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce 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. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to as the Value Added Tax (Amendment) (No. 2) Act, 2017.

ORDER NO. 16

NATIONAL INSURANCE AND SOCIAL SECURITY (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2017

On the Order being called for Hon. C. P. Sinckler to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the National Insurance and Social Security Act, Cap. 47 to provide for an increase in the number of persons who may serve on the National Insurance Board,

the Hon. Member spoke and moved seconded by Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart that the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. K. D. Symmonds began to speak.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

Mr. K. D. Symmonds concluded his speech.

Hon. D. St. E. Kellman spoke.

Mr. D. G. Sutherland began to speak.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

Mr. D. G. Sutherland withdrew certain remarks and resumed his speech.

Hon. D. St. E. Kellman spoke on a point of order.

Mr. D. G. Sutherland resumed his speech.

Hon. J. D. E. Boyce spoke on a point of order.

Mr. D. G. Sutherland concluded his speech.

Hon. R. D. Jones began to speak.

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

Mr. Speaker ruled no point of order.

Hon. R. D. Jones resumed his speech.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

Hon. R. D. Jones withdrew certain remarks and resumed his speech.

Mr. D. G. Sutherland rose to speak on a point of elucidation.

Hon. R. D. Jones did not give way and continued his speech.

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

Mr. Speaker ruled no point of order and directed that Mr. Sutherland's remarks be struck from the record.

Hon. R. D. Jones resumed his speech.

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

Mr. Speaker spoke.

Hon. R. D. Jones concluded his speech.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. R. D. Jones the Sitting was suspended until 2.30 p.m.

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

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 16 (resumed)

Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Hon. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite the House went into Committee, Mr. J. D. Paul in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 3 were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite.

On the motion of Hon. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite 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. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to as the National Insurance and Social Security (Amendment) (No. 2) Act, 2017.

PAPERS (recommitted)

Hon. C. P. Sinckler by command laid the following:

1. Duties, Taxes and Other Payments (Exemption) (Caribbean Disaster Emergency Management Agency) Order, 2017.
2. Duties, Taxes and Other Payments (Exemption) (Winston Bennett) Order, 2017.
3. Duties, Taxes and Other Payments (Exemption) (Barbados Red Cross Society) Order, 2017.
4. Duties, Taxes and Other Payments (Exemption) (The Athletics Association of Barbados Inc.) Order, 2017.
5. Duties, Taxes and Other Payments (Exemption) (University of the West Indies) (Errol Barrow Centre for Creative Imagination Film Club) (No. 2) Order, 2017.
6. Duties, Taxes and Other Payments (Exemption) (University of the West Indies) (Errol Barrow Centre for Creative Imagination Film Club) (No. 3) Order, 2017.
7. Duties, Taxes and Other Payments (Exemption) (Renaissance Designs Inc.) Order, 2017.
8. Duties, Taxes and Other Payments (Exemption) (The Walled Garden Film Festival Trust) Order, 2017.
9. Duties, Taxes and Other Payments (Exemption) (Everton Cumberbatch) Order, 2017.
10. Duties, Taxes and Other Payments (Exemption) (The Maria Holder Memorial Trust) Order, 2017.
11. Duties, Taxes and Other Payments (Exemption) (Elim Pentecostal Temple) Order, 2017.
12. Duties, Taxes and Other Payments (Exemption) (Barbados Film and Video Association Inc.) Order, 2017.
13. Duties, Taxes and Other Payments (Exemption) (Kevin Harrison) Order, 2017.
14. Duties, Taxes and Other Payments (Exemption) (Kim Clarke) Order, 2017.
15. Value Added Tax (Remit) (Club Rockley (B'dos) Limited) Order, 2017;
16. Diplomatic Immunities and Privileges (Delegation of the European Union to Barbados, the Eastern Caribbean States, the OECS and CARICOM/CARIFORUM) (No. 2) Order, 2017.

Hon. J. D. E. Boyce by command laid the following:

Agricultural, Diagnostic and Other Services (Fees) (Barbados Water Authority) (Waiver) Order, 2017.

Hon. R. L. Sealy by command laid the following:

Barbados Conference Services Limited Financial Statements for the Year ended March 31, 2016.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES (recommitted)

Hon. J. D. E. Boyce gave notice of the following:

1. Income Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2017;
2. National Insurance and Social Security (Amendment) Bill; and
3. Police (Amendment) Bill, 2017.

FIRST READING OF BILLS (recommitted)

On the motion of Hon. A. D. Brathwaite seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce the Police (Amendment) Bill, 2017 was read a first time.

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite the following Bills were read a first time.

1. Income Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2017; and
2. National Insurance and Social Security (Amendment) Bill, 2017.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite the House was adjourned to Tuesday, 19th December, 2017 at 10.00 a.m.

At 2.55 p.m. Mr. Speaker adjourned the Sitting.

N. R. JONES
Deputy Clerk of Parliament.

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the _____ day of _____, 2017.

Speaker.

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