

### MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF The Honourable The Senate

The Senate met in the Senate Chamber at the Worthing Corporate Centre on Wednesday the 29th day of July, 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*) 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 K. S. McConney (*Minister of Innovation, Science and Smart Technology*)

Senator the Hon. Miss L. R. Cummins, B.Sc., M.Sc. (Minister of Tourism and International Business)

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 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 Mr. C. A. Maynard, M.B.B.S., F.R.C.S. (ENT) Senator Ms. M. C. Taitt, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.), M.B.A. Senator Rev. Dr. J. A. Rogers, B.Sc., B.A., (Hons.), M.Phil., D.Th. Senator Miss T. N. S-A. Moore, M.B.A. Senator K. J. Boyce, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. and Senator Miss A. M. Wiggins, J.P., B.Sc. ABSENT

Senator Miss L. C. Moe.

Prayers were led by Senator Dr. L. P. Holder.

The Senate observed a minute of silence as a matter of respect on the passing of Professor the Right Honourable Owen Seymour Arthur former Prime Minister of Barbados.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS BY HIS HONOUR THE PRESIDENT

Mr. President announced that he was in receipt of late excuses from Senators Miss L. C. Moe, Mr. C. A. Maynard and Rev. Dr. J. A. Rogers.

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

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott Standing Order 22(1) was suspended for the remainder of the Sitting.

#### **GOVERNMENT NOTICES**

Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott gave notice of the following:

1. Resolution to approve the Public Service (General) Order, 2020.

- 2. Resolution to approve the Public Service (Teachers) (Amendment) Order, 2020.
- 3. Representation of the People (Amendment) Bill, 2020.
- 4. Employment (Prevention of Discrimination) Bill, 2020.

and on his motion the Bills were read a first time.

#### **PUBLIC BUSINESS**

#### **ORDER NO. 2**

#### **INTEGRITY IN PUBLIC LIFE BILL, 2020**

On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to establish a regime, including an integrity commission, to promote the integrity of persons in public life and strengthen measures for the prevention, detection, investigation and prosecution of acts of corruption, alter the Constitution to the extent necessary for the purpose and provide for related matters,

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

Senator C. A. Franklyn spoke.

His Honour Senator R. N. Greenidge spoke.

Senator Miss C. N. Drakes began to speak.

Senator the Hon. Miss L. R. Cummins spoke on a point of order.

Senator Miss C. N. Drakes resumed her speech.

Senator the Hon. Miss L. R. Cummins spoke on a point of order.

Senator Miss C. N. Drakes concluded her speech.

#### **SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Sitting was suspended to 3.00 p.m.

At 1.49 p.m. Mr. President suspended the Sitting.

#### RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. President resumed the Chair.

#### **ORDER NO. 2 (resumed)**

Senator Dr. R. O. Springer spoke.

Senator K. J. Boyce spoke.

Senator R. J. H. Adams spoke.

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

Senator D. R. Sands spoke.

Senator Rev. Dr. J. A. Rogers spoke.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss K. S. McConney further consideration of the Bill was postponed.

#### SUSPENSION

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss K. S. McConney the Sitting was suspended to 5.30 p.m.

At 5.15 p.m. Mr. President suspended the Sitting.

#### RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. President resumed the Chair.

#### ORDER NO. 3

#### RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE PUBLIC SERVICE (GENERAL) ORDER, 2020

Senator the Hon. Miss K. S. McConney sought and obtained leave to introduce Orders Nos. 3 and 4 in a cognate debate.

Senator the Hon. Miss K. S. McConney spoke on the following Resolution:

Resolution that Parliament approve the Public Service (General) Order, 2020 made under Section 13 (1) of the *Public Service Act*, Cap. 29 by the Minister responsible for the Public Service on the 20th day of July, 2020 and that Her Excellency the Governor-General be asked to assent and take the necessary steps to give effect to this Resolution.

Approved by the House of Assembly the 28th day of July, 2020.

and moved that the Resolution be passed.

Senator C. A. Franklyn spoke.

His Honour Senator R. N. Greenidge spoke.

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

The Resolution was passed.

#### ORDER NO. 4

Senator the Hon. Miss K. S. McConney spoke on the following Resolution:

Resolution that Parliament approve the Public Service (Teachers) (Amendment) Order, 2020 made under Section 13 (1) of the *Public Service Act*, Cap. 29 by the Minister responsible for the Public Service on the 20th day of July, 2020 and that Her Excellency the Governor-General be asked to assent and take the necessary steps to give effect to this Resolution.

Approved by the House of Assembly the 28th day of July, 2020. and moved that the Resolution be passed. The Resolution was passed.

#### ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Senate was adjourned to Wednesday, 5th August, 2020 at 11.00 a.m.

At 7.13 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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