



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

The Honourable The Senate

The Senate met in the Senate Chamber, Parliament at the Worthing Corporate Centre on Friday the 18th day of December, 2020, at 11.00 o'clock a.m.

PRESENT

His Honour Senator R. R. Farley, B.Sc., C.P.A., C.M.A., J.P. (*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 Transport*)

Senator Dr. R. O. Springer, Ph.D. (*Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Education, Technological and Vocational Training*)

Senator Miss L. C. Moe

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 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 Rev. Dr. J. A. Rogers, B.Sc., B.A. (Hons.), M.Phil., Ph.D.

Senator K. J. Boyce, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C.

Senator Miss A. M. Wiggins, J.P., B.Sc.

Senator J. A. Hunte, B.Sc., B.A.

ABSENT

Senator Miss C. N. Drakes, B.Sc. (Econ. & Mgmt), M.Phil Econ. and Senator Ms. M. C. Taitt, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.), M.B.A.

Mr. President took the Chair at 11.15 a.m.
Prayers were taken by Senator Dr. L. P. Holder.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS BY HIS HONOUR THE PRESIDENT
MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting of Wednesday, 9th December, 2020 were deferred.

Mr. President announced that he was in receipt of excuses for absence from Senators Miss C. N. Drakes and Ms. M. C. Taitt.

He also announced that he was in receipt of late excuses from Senators the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott and Miss K. S. McConney.

Mr. President read the following congratulatory message:

(unofficial translation)

SPEAKER OF THE GRAND NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE REPUBLIC OF TURKEY
(PRESIDENT OF THE PARLIAMENT)

Ankara, 5 October 2020

Honourable Mr. President,
Dear Colleague,

I am happy to extend my sincere congratulations to Your Excellency for being appointed as the President of the Senate of Barbados.

On this occasion, I would like to express my wish to strengthen the existing dialogue and cooperation between our Parliaments during Your tenure.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish success to You and through Yourself to all the esteemed members of the Senate of Barbados with my deepest respect and I extend my sincere wishes for the health, welfare and prosperity of the friendly people of Barbados.

(signature)

Prof. Dr. Mustafa ŞENTOP
Speaker of the Grand National Assembly of the Republic of Turkey

**His Excellency Reginald FARLEY
President of the Senate of Barbados**

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

Senator the Hon. Miss L. R. Cummins by command laid:

1. Loan Contract No. 5168/OC-BA between the Government of Barbados and the Inter-American Development Bank on the Programme to Strengthen Public Policy and Fiscal Management in Response to the Health and Economic Crisis caused by COVID-19 in Barbados.
2. Duties, Taxes and Other Payments (Exemption) (China National Complete Plant Import and Export Corporation (Barbados) Ltd.) Order, 2020.
3. Duties, Taxes and Other Payments (Exemption) (Innotech Services Limited) Order, 2020.
4. Value Added Tax (Refund) (Abu Dhabi Future Energy Company PJSC – Masdar) Order, 2020.
5. Value Added Tax (Refund) (The Maria Holder Memorial Trust) Order, 2020.

MOTIONS RELATING TO THE BUSINESS OF THE SENATE

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss L. R. Cummins Standing Order 45(2) was suspended for the remainder of the Sitting.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS FIRST READINGS OF BILLS

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss L. R. Cummins the following Bills were read a first time:

1. Companies (Amendment) Bill, 2020.
2. Barbados Humanitarian Service Award Bill, 2020.
3. Gold Award of Achievement (Amendment) Bill, 2020.

PUBLIC BUSINESS

ORDER NO. 5

COMPANIES (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2020

On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Miss L. R. Cummins to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Companies Act, Cap. 308, the Hon. Member spoke and moved, that the Bill be read a second time.

Senator C. A. Franklyn spoke.

Senator Dr. L. P. Holder spoke.

Senator J. A. Hunte spoke.

Senator K. J. Boyce spoke.

Senator the Hon. Miss L. R. Cummins spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss L. R. Cummins the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, His Honour the Deputy President in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 3 were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Miss L. R. Cummins.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss L. R. Cummins the Chairman of Committees reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to the President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Miss L. R. Cummins the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 3

BARBADOS HUMANITARIAN SERVICE AWARD BILL, 2020

On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Miss L. R. Cummins to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to provide for the conferment of an award, to be known as the “Barbados Humanitarian Service Award”, on persons who are deserving of recognition for their meritorious humanitarian service to Barbados and for related matters,

the Hon. Member sought and obtained leave to introduce the Bill in a cognate debate with the Gold Award of Achievement (Amendment) Bill, 2020.

Senator the Hon. Miss L. R. Cummins spoke and moved that the Bill be read a second time.

Senator C. A. Franklyn began to speak.

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

Senator C. A. Franklyn resumed his speech.

Senator Dr. C. K. M. Haynes spoke on a point of order.

Mr. President spoke.

Senator C. A. Franklyn resumed his speech.

Mr. President directed that certain statements by Senator Franklyn be withdrawn and struck from the record.

Senator C. A. Franklyn withdrew the statements and concluded his speech.

Senator Miss A. M. Wiggins spoke.

Senator the Hon. L. E. Nurse spoke.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Sitting was suspended to 2.45 p.m.

At 1.45 p.m. Mr. President suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. President resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 3 (resumed)

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

Mr. President spoke.

His Honour Senator R. N. Greenidge began to speak.

Senator C. A. Franklyn spoke on a point of order.

His Honour Senator R. N. Greenidge concluded his speech.

Senator R. W. Grant spoke.

Senator the Hon. Miss L. R. Cummins spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss L. R. Cummins the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, His Honour the Deputy President in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 8 were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Miss L. R. Cummins.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss L. R. Cummins the Chairman of Committees reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to the President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Miss L. R. Cummins the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 4

GOLD AWARD OF ACHIEVEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2020

On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Miss L. R. Cummins to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Gold Award of Achievement Act to make better provision for the conferment of the Award and other related matters,

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

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss L. R. Cummins the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, His Honour the Deputy President in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 3 were called and passed without debate on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Miss L. R. Cummins.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss L. R. Cummins the Chairman of Committees reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to the President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Miss L. R. Cummins the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 2

Senator the Hon. Miss L. R. Cummins spoke on the following Resolution:

RESOLVED that Parliament, in accordance with section 5 of the *Crown Lands (Vesting and Disposal) Act*, Cap. 225, approve the vesting in the Barbados Tourism Investment Inc., a company incorporated under the *Companies Act*, Cap. 308 of the parcel of land, the property of the Crown situate at Bay Street in the parish of Saint Michael in this Island, more particularly described in the *Schedule* to this Resolution for the public purpose of tourism development.

APPROVED by the House of Assembly the 8th day of December, Two thousand and twenty.

SCHEDULE

ALL THAT land the property of the Crown situate at Bay Street in the parish of Saint Michael in this Island containing by admeasurement 24.5 square metres or thereabouts in beach Abutting and Bounding on lands now or formerly of the Barbados Government on lands now or formerly of Barbados Tourism Investment Inc. on the sea and on lands now or formerly of Vision Development Inc. or however else the same may abut and as shown and delineated on a Plan certified on the 4th day of December, 2019 by Camille Belgrave, Land Surveyor and recorded in the Lands and Surveys Department on the 6th day of December, 2019 as Plan No. 1512/2019,

and moved that the Resolution be approved.

The motion was passed.

ADJOURNMENT

Senator the Hon. Miss L. R. Cummins spoke and moved that the Senate be adjourned *sine die*.

Senator C. A. Franklyn spoke.

Senator the Hon. L. E. Nurse spoke.

Mr. President spoke.

The motion was passed.

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

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the
, 2020.

day of

President.

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SENATE

SECOND SESSION OF 2018 – 2023

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Friday, 18th December, 2020.
