



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

The Honourable The Senate

The Senate met in the Senate Chamber, Parliament Buildings on Wednesday, the 1st day of February, 2017 at 11.00 o'clock a.m.

PRESENT

Her Honour Senator Miss Kerryann F. Ifill, B.Sc. (Hons.), M.B.A. (*President*)
His Honour Senator the Very Reverend H. E. Crichlow, G.C.M., B.A. (Hons.) Dunelm (*Deputy President*)
Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean, B.Sc. (Hons.), M.A., M.B.A. (*Minister of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade*)(*Leader of the Senate*)
Senator Dr. the Hon. E. R. Byer Suckoo, M.B., B.S. (*Minister of Labour, Social Security and Human Resource Development*)
Senator the Hon. D. W. Boyce, B.Sc. (Econ.), M.B.A. (Fin.), CMA, F.C.A. (*Minister in the Office of the Prime Minister*)
Senator the Hon. P. M. T. Todd, B.Sc. (*Minister of State in the Office of the Prime Minister*)
Senator Mrs. V. I. Sandiford-Garner, CIM, Dip. Mng., M.B.A. (*Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Tourism and International Transport*)
Senator H. A. Husbands, M.L.I.R., B.Sc. (Public Administration) (Hons.), Ed. Cert. (U.W.I.) (*Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Education, Science, Technology and Innovation*)
Senator J. Ince, J.P., BB.A., M.B.A., DIP (Mgmt.) (*Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs*)
Senator R. A. Hunte, J.P.
Senator A. R. Worrell, B.A. (Hons.)
Senator Miss V. A. G. De Peiza, B.Sc. (Hons.), LL.M. (Merit)
Senator Dr. J. X. Walcott, M.B., B.S., F.R.C.S. (Edin.), J.P.
Senator W. A. Abrahams, LL.B. (Hons.)
Senator Sir Roy Trotman, K.A., M.A.
Senator Prof. Emeritus Sir Henry Fraser, K.A., G.C.M., B.Sc., M.B., B.S., Ph.D., FACP, FRCP
Senator Dr. Sir Trevor Carmichael, K.A., L.V.O., Q.C., B.Sc. (Econ.), M.A., Ph.D.
Senator A. A. Adams, J.P., B.A., Ed. Cert., M.Sc. Ed.
Senator J. A. Watson
and
Senator Carol Lady Haynes, GM, BCH, M.B., B.S., Hon. DSc.

ABSENT

Senator Rev. Dr. D. L. Durant, D. D. (Hon.).

Prayers were led by His Honour Senator the Very Reverend H. E. Crichlow.

PAPERS

By command Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean laid the following:

1. Fair Trading Commission Annual Report, 2016.
2. Enterprise Growth Fund Limited Annual Report 2016.
3. Barbados Fire Service 2015 Annual Report.
4. Barbados Prison Service Annual Report, 2015.
5. Barbados Agricultural Management Co. Ltd. Twenty-Second Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended June 30, 2015.

PUBLIC BUSINESS

ORDER NO. 1

MINIMUM WAGE BILL, 2017

On the Order being called for Senator Dr. the Hon. E. R. Byer Suckoo to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to make provision for (a) the establishment of a Minimum Wage Board; (b) the making of Minimum Wage Orders by the Minister to establish either a minimum wage to be applied generally or a minimum wage for employees in a specified group or sector; (c) the repeal of the *Wages Councils Act*, Cap. 362; and (d) related matters,

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

Senator Sir Roy Trotman spoke.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean the Sitting was suspended to 2.30 p.m.

At 1.00 p.m. the President suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Madam President in the Chair.

PUBLIC BUSINESS (resumed)

ORDER NO. 1 (resumed)

Senator R. A. Hunte spoke.

Senator Prof. Emeritus Sir Henry Fraser spoke.

Senator J. Ince spoke.

Senator A. A. Adams spoke.

Senator A. R. Worrell spoke.

His Honour Senator the Very Reverend H. E. Crichlow spoke.

Senator the Hon. P. M. T. Todd spoke.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean the Sitting was suspended until 5.20 p.m.

At 5.02 p.m. Madam President suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Madam President in the Chair.

Senator J. A. Watson spoke.

Senator Dr. Sir Trevor Carmichael spoke.

Senator Miss V. A. G. De Peiza spoke.

Senator W. A. Abrahams spoke.

Senator H. A. Husbands spoke.

Senator the Hon. D. W. Boyce spoke.

Senator Dr. the Hon. E. R. Byer Suckoo spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Senator Dr. the Hon. E. R. Byer Suckoo the Senate resolved itself into Committee, the Deputy President in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 10 were called and passed on the motion of Senator Dr. the Hon. E. R. Byer Suckoo.

Clauses 11 to 20 were called.

Senator Sir Roy Trotman spoke.

On the motion of Senator Dr. the Hon. E. R. Byer Suckoo Clauses 11 to 20 were passed.

The Schedule was called and passed on the motion of Senator Dr. the Hon. E. R. Byer Suckoo.

On the motion of Senator Dr. the Hon. E. R. Byer Suckoo reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to Madam President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Senator Dr. the Hon. E. R. Byer Suckoo the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean the Senate was adjourned to Wednesday, 8th February, 2017 at 11.00 a.m.

At 8.05 p.m. the President adjourned the Senate.

RICHARD P. BYER
Deputy Clerk of Parliament.

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

President.

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