

# MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

# The Honourable The Senate

The Senate met in the Senate Chamber, Parliament at the Parliament Buildings on Wednesday the 13th day of July, 2022, at 11.00 o'clock a.m.

#### PRESENT

His Honour Senator R. R. Farley, J.P., B.Sc., C.P.A., C.M.A. (*President*) Her Honour Senator Ms. H. E. Thompson, LL.B. (*Deputy President*)

- Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins, B.Sc., M.Sc. (Minister of Tourism and International Transport) (Leader of the Senate)
- Senator Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight, Ph.D. (Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office)
- Senator Dr. C. K. M. Haynes, M.B.B.S.
- Senator J. A. King, B.S.S.
- Senator L. R. Harewood, J.P., BSM, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A.
- Senator Mrs. S. C. S. Roberts-Odle, B.Sc., M.Sc.
- Senator A. A. O. Boyce, B.Sc., M.Sc., LL.B.
- Senator G. P. B. Nicholls, B.Sc. (Hons.), LL.B. (Hons.), LL.M., MCIArb.

- 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 K. J. Boyce, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C.
- Senator Miss C. N. Drakes, B.Sc. (Econ. & Mgmt), M.Phil Econ.
- Senator Rev. Dr. J. A. Rogers, B.Sc., B.A. (Hons.), M.Phil., Ph.D.
- Senator A. W. Mallalieu, C.P.A., F.R.I.C.S.
- Senator Dr. the Hon. C. W. DaC. Brathwaite, CHB, Ph.D.

and

Senator Dr. K. G. Hinds, Ph.D.

# ABSENT

Senator Dr. the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott, FB, M.B., B.S., F.R.C.S. (Edin.), J.P. (Senior Minister) (Minister of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade), Senator Miss P. E. Parris, J.P. and Senator Ms. M. C. Taitt, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.), M.B.A. Prayers were taken by Senator G. P. B. Nicholls.

### ANNONCEMENTS BY HIS HONOUR THE PRESIDENT

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

#### MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of Wednesday, 29th June, 2022 were deferred on the motion of Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins.

#### PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

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

1. Report of the Judicial Council for the Year 2019;

Barbados National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan, 2020.

## MOTIONS RELATING TO THE BUSINESS OF THE SENATE

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

#### **INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins the Safety and Health at Work (Amendment) Bill, 2022 was read a first time.

### PUBLIC BUSINESS

#### **ORDER NO.3**

2.

#### SAFETY AND HEALTH AT WORK (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2022

On the Order being called for Senator Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Safety and Health at Work Act, Cap. 356 to make better provision for the issue of certificates by the Chief Fire Officer and to extend the power to make regulations,

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

Senator Dr. K. G. Hinds spoke.

Senator A. A. O. Boyce spoke.

Senator A. W. Mallalieu spoke.

Senator the Hon. L. E. Nurse spoke.

Senator J. A. King spoke.

Senator L. R. Harewood spoke.

#### **SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins the Sitting was suspended to 2.35 p.m. At 1.35 p.m. Mr. President suspended the Sitting.

#### RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. President resumed the Chair.

### ORDER NO. 3 (resumed)

Senator K. J. Boyce spoke.

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

Senator Mr. C. A. Maynard spoke.

Her Honour Senator Ms. H. E. Thompson spoke.

Senator Dr. C. K. M. Haynes spoke.

Senator G. P. B. Nicholls spoke.

Senator Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

- On the motion of Senator Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, Her Honour the Deputy President in the Chair.
- Clauses 1 to 8 and 9 to 14 were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight.
- On the motion of Senator Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight 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 Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

#### **SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins the Sitting was suspended to 5.45 p.m. At 5.30 p.m. Mr. President suspended the Sitting.

#### RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. President resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 2

#### **DEBT CONVERSION (COUNTER-GUARANTEE) BILL, 2022**

On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to authorize the Government of Barbados to enter into a counter-guarantee agreement with any body in respect of debt to be issued by the Government of Barbados, the proceeds of which will be used for debt conversion transactions for the purpose of supporting environmental, economic or social development in Barbados and for related matters,

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

Senator Miss C. N. Drakes spoke.

Senator Dr. K. G. Hinds spoke.

Senator Dr. the Hon. C. W. DaC. Brathwaite began to speak.

Mr. President spoke.

Senator Dr. the Hon. C. W. DaC. Brathwaite resumed his speech.

Mr. President spoke.

Senator Dr. the Hon. C. W. DaC. Brathwaite resumed and concluded his speech.

Mr. President spoke.

Senator Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight spoke.

Her Honour Senator Ms. H. E. Thompson spoke.

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

The Bill was read a second time.

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

Clauses 1 to 7 were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins. On the motion of Senator the Hon. Ms. 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. Ms. L. R. Cummins the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

**ADJOURNMENT** On the motion of Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins who spoke the Senate was adjourned *sine die.* At 8.20 p.m. Mr. President adjourned the Sitting.

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

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the , 2022.

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President.

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