

OF

THE HONOURABLE THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

FIRST SESSION OF 2022-2027

FIFTY-FIFTH SITTING

at

10.00 o'clock a.m.

on

Friday, 22nd September, 2023

The First Meeting of the First Session of the Parliament of 2022-2027 was held on 4th February, 2022

MANAGEMENT COMMISSION OF PARLIAMENT

(Parliament (Administration) Act, Cap. 10 – Section 3(4))

The following are ex officio Members of the Commission:

His Honour A. E. Holder (Chairman), Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, Q.C. and Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw.

Section 3(4) of the Parliament (Administration) Act, Cap. 10.

The following are appointed Members of the Commission:

Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill, Hon. C. E. Jordan, Mr. P. R. Phillips, J.P. and Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore, J.P.

Appointed on 4th February, 2022.

SESSIONAL SELECT COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES

To consider and report to the Honourable the House of Assembly on all matters which involve the privileges of the Honourable the House of Assembly.

The Members of the Committee are:

His Honour A. E. Holder (Chairman) ex officio, Dr. R. O. Springer, J.P., Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, His Honour N. G. H. Rowe, J.P., Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P. and Hon. W. A. Abrahams.

Appointed on 4th February, 2022.

Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill.

Appointed on 25th April, 2023.

COMMITTEE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

To examine the accounts showing the appropriation of the sums granted by Parliament to meet the public expenditure, accounts of any entities in which Government is a majority shareholder or hold a majority interest and of such other accounts laid before Parliament as the Committee may think fit.

The following are Members of this Joint Committee:

Leader of the Opposition (Chairman) ex officio, Mr. E. G. Hinkson, Ms. M. K-A. Caddle, Hon. C. E. Jordan, Hon. C. A. Lane, J.P., Mr. R. A. Thorne, Q.C. and Hon. K. D. Symmonds.

Appointed on 4th February, 2022.

STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE

The Members of the Committee are:

His Honour the Speaker (Chairman) ex officio, Dr. the Hon. S. E. Browne, Hon. Miss K. S. McConney, Ms. M. K-A. Caddle, Hon. D. G. Sutherland, Hon. D. I. Ishmael and Hon. I. A. Weir.

Appointed on 4th February, 2022.

Hon. W. A. Abrahams, Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw and Mr. P. R. Phillips, J.P.

Appointed on 25th April, 2023.

LIBRARY COMMITTEE

The following are Members of this Joint Committee:

His Honour the Speaker (Chairman), Hon. A. R. Forde, Hon. R. R. Straughn, Ms. M. K-A. Caddle, Mr. T. A. Prescod, J.P., Hon. C. McD. Griffith and Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid.

Appointed on 4th February, 2022.

JOINT SELECT COMMITTEES (STANDING)

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNANCE AND POLICY MATTERS

The following are Members of this Joint Committee:

Mr. R. A. Thorne, Q.C., Dr. R. O. Springer, J.P., Mr. E. G. Hinkson and Mr. P. R. Phillips, J.P.

Appointed on 2nd May, 2023.

COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC AND PRODUCTIVE SECTORS

The following are Members of this Joint Committee:

Mr. C. D. L. Gibbs, Dr. the Hon. S. E. Browne, Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands and Ms. M. K-A. Caddle.

Appointed on 2nd May, 2023.

COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SECTOR AND ENVIRONMENT

The following are Members of this Joint Committee:

Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore, J.P., Hon. C. A. Lane, J.P., Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P. and Mr. T. A. Prescod, J.P.

Appointed on 2nd May, 2023.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

(Standing Order 10 of the First Session)

"Unless the House otherwise directs, the business of each sitting day shall be transacted in the following order –

- (a) Formal entry of His Honour the Speaker.
- (b) Prayers.
- (c) Announcements by His Honour the Speaker.
- (d) Messages from Her Excellency the President.
- (e) Petitions.
- (f) Papers.
- (g) Government Notices.
- (h) Private Members' Notices.
- (i) Notices of Questions.
- (j) Reports from Select Committees.
- (k) First readings of Bills.
- (l) Statements by Ministers.
- (m) Congratulatory and/or obituary speeches.
- (n) Personal Explanations.
- (o) Motions for leave of absence.
- (p) Oral replies to questions.
- (q) Notices of motions for the adjournment of the House on matters of urgent public importance.
- (r) Orders of the day."

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

1. **Hon. K. D. Symmonds:** To resume debate on the Second Reading of the Barbados Metrology Bill, 2022.

Notice of this Bill was given on 8th February, 2022.

The Bill was read a first time on 8th February, 2022.

The Bill was published in the Official Gazette on 10th February, 2022.

On the 4th day of October, 2022 Hon. K. D. Symmonds began to speak.

Further consideration of the Bill was postponed.

2. Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw: To move the Second Reading of the Barbados Water Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2022.

Notice of this Bill was given on 19th April, 2022.

The Bill was read a first time on 19th April, 2022.

The Bill was published in the Official Gazette on 25th April, 2022.

3. Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey: To resume the debate on the Second Reading of the Child Protection Bill, 2023.

Notice of this Bill was given on 7th February, 2023.

The Bill was read a first time on 7th February, 2023.

The Bill was published in the Official Gazette on 13th February, 2023.

On 16th May, 2023, Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.

Further consideration of the Bill was postponed.

On resumption on 23rd May, 2023 Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey concluded his speech and moved seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael that the Bill be read a second time.

Further consideration of the Bill was postponed and on the motion of Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael the Bill was referred to the Joint Select Committee on Social Sector and Environment.

4. Hon. W. A. Abrahams: To resume the debate on the Second Reading of the Child Justice Bill, 2023.

Notice of this Bill was given on 30th March, 2023.

The Bill was read a first time on 31st March, 2023.

The Bill was published in the Official Gazette on 13th April, 2023.

On 23rd May, 2023, Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke and moved seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey that the Bill be read a second time.

Further consideration of the Bill was postponed and on the motion of Hon. W. A. Abrahams seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey the Bill was referred to the Joint Select Committee on Social Sector and Environment.

5. Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw: To move the Second Reading of the Copyright Bill, 2023.

Notice of this Bill was given on 9th August, 2023.

The Bill was read a first time on 11th August, 2023.

The Bill was published in the Official Gazette on 14th August, 2023.

6. Hon. R. R. Straughn: To move the Second Reading of the National Payment System (Amendment) Bill, 2023.

Notice of this Bill was given on 9th August, 2023.

The Bill was read a first time on 11th August, 2023.

The Bill was published in the Official Gazette on 14th August, 2023.

7. **Hon. R. R. Straughn:** To move the passing of a Resolution that Parliament approve the further susbscription by the Government of 3,522 additional Series "C" shares of Common Capital Stock of the Latin American Development Bank (Corporación Andina de Fomento) for the value of USD 50,012,400 in accordance with section 4A(2) of the Latin American Development Bank Act, 2015 (Act 2015-24) in the terms and conditions as set out in the Schedule to the Resolution.

Notice of this Resolution was given on 10th August, 2023.

8. Hon. D. D. Marshall: To move the Second Reading of the Commissioner of Probates Bill, 2023.

Notice of this Bill was given on 17th August, 2023.

The Bill was read a first time on 12th September, 2023.

The Bill was published in the Official Gazette on 18th September, 2023.

9. Hon. D. G. Sutherland: To resume the debate on the passing of a Resolution to approve in accordance with section 5 of the Crown Lands (Vesting and Disposal) Act, Cap. 225, the lease to the Autism Association of Barbados, a charity registered under the Charities Act, Cap. 243 as Charity No. 612 of a parcel of land, the property of the State situate at the Garrison in the parish of Saint Michael, in this Island for its Basic Life Skills Programme.

Notice of this Resolution was given on 31st August, 2023.

On 12th September, 2023, Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid spoke and move seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams that the Resolution be approved.

Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.

Mr. E. G. Hinkson spoke.

Miss C. Y. Forde spoke

Dr. the Hon. S. E. Browne spoke.

Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands spoke.

Hon. Miss K. S. McConney spoke.

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley spoke.

Further consideration of the Resolution was postponed.

QUESTIONS

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

1. Mr. E. G. Hinkson: To move the passing of a Resolution that this House endorses the programme as announciated in the Address of Her Excellency the President and its pledge to support the Government in its effective implementation of its said programme.

Notice of this Resolution was given on 21st February, 2022.

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ORDER PAPER

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