

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

The Honourable The Senate

The Senate met in the Senate Chamber, Parliament Buildings on Wednesday the 4th day of May, 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. Senator the Hon. L. E. Nurse, F.C.A., F.C.C.A. (Minister of Tourism and International Senator Mr. C. A. Maynard, M.B.B.S., F.R.C.S. Transport) (Leader of the Senate) (ENT) Senator Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight, Ph.D. Senator Ms. M. C. Taitt, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.), (Minister of State in the Prime Minister's M.B.A. Office) Senator K. J. Boyce, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. Senator Dr. C. K. M. Haynes, M.B.B.S. Senator Miss C. N. Drakes, B.Sc. (Econ. & Mgmt), Senator J. A. King, B.S.S. M.Phil Econ. Senator Miss P. E. Parris, J.P. Senator Rev. Dr. J. A. Rogers, B.Sc., B.A. (Hons.), Senator L. R. Harewood, J.P., BSM, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.Phil. Ph.D. M.B.A. Senator A. W. Mallalieu, C.P.A., F.R.I.C.S. Senator Mrs. S. C. S. Roberts-Odle, B.Sc., M.Sc. Senator Dr. the Hon. C. W. DaC. Brathwaite, Senator A. A. O. Boyce, B.Sc., M.Sc., LL.B. CHB, Ph.D. Senator G. P. B. Nicholls, B.Sc. (Hons.), LL.B. Senator Dr. K. G. Hinds, Ph.D. (Hons.), LL.M., MCIArb. 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).

Prayers were taken by Rev. Father Wayne Kirton. **MESSAGES FROM HER EXCELLENCY THE PRESIDENT** Mr. President read the following message:



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22nd April, 2022

Dear Sir,

I have the honour to inform The Honourable The Senate that, pursuant to Section 75 of the Constitution of Barbados and acting in my own discretion, I have appointed Dr. the Honourable Chelston Whitley DaCosta Brathwaite, CHB, and Dr. Kristina Giselle Hinds, to be members of the Senate with effect from the 8th day of April, 2022.

Yours faithfully,

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PRESIDENT

His Honour The President The Senate Parliament Buildings Bridgetown Senator Dr. Kristina Giselle Hinds, who was present and waiting outwith was invited to take her place in the Senate.

Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins spoke. Senator the Hon. L. E. Nurse spoke.

Mr. President spoke.

Senator Dr. Kristina Giselle Hinds spoke.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the meetings of Wednesday, 16th March, 2022 and Monday, 28th March, 2022 were taken as read and approved on the motion of Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins.

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

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

Barbados Prison Service Annual Report 2020; and

Police Complaints Authority Annual Report 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 Queen Elizabeth Hospital (Amendment) Bill, 2022 was read a first time.

PUBLIC BUSINESS

ORDER NO. 2

1. 2.

QUEEN ELIZABETH HOSPITAL (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 Queen Elizabeth Hospital Act, Cap. 54,

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

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

Senator Mr. C. A. Maynard spoke.

Senator J. A. King spoke.

Senator Ms. M. C. Taitt spoke.

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

Senator Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight began her reply.

Mr. President vacated the Chair in favour of the Deputy President.

Senator Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight resumed her reply.

Mr. President resumed the Chair.

Senator Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight concluded her 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 3 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.

MESSAGES FROM HER EXCELLENCY THE PRESIDENT (recommitted)

Senator Dr. the Hon. Chelston Whitley DaCosta Brathwaite who was then present was invited to take his place in the Senate.

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

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

Mr. President spoke.

Senator Dr. the Hon. Chelston Whitley DaCosta Brathwaite spoke.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins who spoke the Sitting was suspended to 3.20 p.m. At 2.20 p.m. Mr. President suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. President resumed the Chair.

PUBLIC BUSINESS (resumed)

ORDER NO. 4

Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins sought and obtained leave to introduce Orders Nos. 4 and 3 in a cognate debate.

Mr. President spoke.

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

WHEREAS a Resolution was passed by the Honourable House of Assembly on the 16th day of March, 2012 and by the Honourable Senate on the 28th day of March, 2012, was assented to by His Excellency the Acting Governor-General on the 2nd day of April, 2012 and was published in the *Official Gazette* as Resolution No. 12/2012 on the 5th day of April, 2012 approving the lease to American World Clinics (Barbados) Limited of a parcel of land together with the buildings thereon situate at Ashton Hall in the parish of Saint Peter in this Island for the development and operation of an international health centre.

AND WHEREAS it has been determined that Resolution No. 12/2012 should be rescinded;

BE IT RESOLVED that Parliament approve the rescission of Resolution No 12/2012.

APPROVED by the House of Assembly the 26th day of April, Two thousand and twenty-two,

and moved that the Resolution be approved.
Her Honour Senator Ms. H. E. Thompson spoke.
Senator Mr. C. A. Maynard spoke.
Senator L. R. Harewood spoke.
Senator A. W. Mallalieu spoke.
Senator Dr. K. G. Hinds spoke.
Senator Dr. the Hon. C. W. DaC. Brathwaite spoke.
Senator G. P. B. Nicholls spoke.
Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins spoke in reply.
The Resolution was passed.
ORDER NO. 3

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins the following Resolution was passed:

RESOLVED that Parliament in accordance with section 5 of the *Crown Lands (Vesting and Disposal) Act*, Cap. 225 approve the vesting in a commercial Special Purpose Vehicle in which the Government of Barbados will hold 25% of the shares and The University of the West Indies at Cave Hill will hold 75% of the shares, of the parcel of land, the property of the State, formerly known as the St. Joseph Hospital situate at Ashton Hall in the parish of Saint Peter in this Island and more particularly described in the *Schedule* for a joint venture between the Government and The University of the West Indies.

APPROVED by the House of Assembly the 26th day of April, Two thousand and twenty-two.

SCHEDULE

All THAT land the property of the State, namely Lot A (formerly known as the St. Joseph Hospital) situate at Ashton Hall in the parish of Saint Peter in this Island containing by admeasurement 8.698 hectares (86982.2 square metres) inclusive of 0.50 hectares (503.2 square metres) in road or thereabouts abutting and bounding on lands now or late of Monique Robinson (Lot 18A), Ancil and Merlyn Scott (Lot 208), Clarence Fergusson and P. Sobers (Lot 207), and Judith Bowen (Lot 206), on lands now or formerly of A.G.C.G. Holdings Ltd. (Lot 138), on lands now or late of Simon Brathwaite and Cynthia Balfour (Lot 137), on lands now or formerly of The New Village Retirement Home Ltd. (Lot 110A), on lands now or late of W. Oneale, Clovis Boyce, and Andrew Boyce and on a public road known as Highway 1 which leads to Mile & A Quarter in one direction and to Speightstown in the other direction or however else the same may abut and bound as shown and delineated on a Plan certified on the 15th day of July, 2014 by Samuel N. Taylor, Land Surveyor and recorded in the Lands and Surveys Department on the 16th day of July, 2014 as Plan No. 620/2014.

QUESTIONS TO MINISTERS (recommitted)

Senator Dr. K. G. Hinds asked the following Question: To ask the Leader of the Senate:

(a) Is it the intention of the Government of Barbados to introduce into Parliament new Child Protection legislation?

If so, what is the timeframe for such introduction?

(b) Will this new Child Protection legislation repeal and replace the Juvenile Offenders Act, Cap. 138 and the Reformatory and Industrial Schools Act, Cap. 169?

ADJOURNMENT On the motion of Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins the Senate was adjourned *sine die*. At 5.48 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.

day of

President.

SENATE CHAMBERS PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS BRIDGETOWN.

FIRST SESSION OF 2022 – 2027

MINUTES

Wednesday, 4th May, 2022.

SENATE

FIRST SESSION OF 2022 – 2027

MINUTES

Wednesday, 16th March, 2022.

Government Printing Department