



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

The Honourable the House of Assembly

At a meeting of the House of Assembly at the Parliament Buildings on Tuesday the 17th day of July, 2018, pursuant to the adjournment.

PRESENT

- His Honour A. E. Holder, B.Sc. (Hons.), MSW, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (*Speaker*)
His Honour G. A. Clarke, J.P., B.Sc., Dip. Ed. (*Deputy Speaker*)
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| Hon. G. W. Payne, Q.C. (<i>Minister of Housing, Lands and Rural Development</i>) | Hon. W. A. Abrahams, LL.B. (<i>Minister of Energy and Water Resources</i>) |
| Hon. R. St. C. Toppin, LL.B. (Hons.) (<i>Minister of International Business and Industry</i>) | Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, B.A. (Hons.), M.Sc. (<i>Minister in the Ministry of Foreign Trade</i>) |
| Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, Q.C., LL.B. (<i>Prime Minister, Minister of Finance, Economic Affairs and Investment, Minister of National Security and the Civil Service</i>) | Mr. R. A. Thorne, Q.C., LL.B., L.E.C., Dip. Theology |
| Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P. (<i>Minister of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs</i>) | Hon. I. A. Weir, M.B.A. (<i>Minister of Agriculture and Food Security</i>) |
| Hon. D. D. Marshall, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (<i>Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs</i>) | Hon. A. R. Forde, RPh. (<i>Minister of Youth and Community Empowerment</i>) |
| Hon. T. A. Prescod, B.A. (<i>Minister of Environment and National Beautification</i>) | Hon. C. McD. Griffith, B.Sc. (<i>Minister in the Ministry of Housing, Lands and Rural Development</i>) |
| Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic, MVO, B.A. (Hons.) (<i>Minister of Health and Wellness</i>) | Hon. P. R. Phillips (<i>Minister in the Ministry of Transport, Works and Maintenance</i>) |
| Hon. E. G. Hinkson, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M. (<i>Minister of Home Affairs</i>) | Hon. J. A. King, BSS (<i>Minister of Creative Economy, Culture and Sports</i>) |
| Hon. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.) (<i>Minister of Small Business, Entrepreneurship and Commerce</i>) | Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill |
| Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (<i>Minister of Education, Technological and Vocational Training</i>) | Hon. C. E. Jordan, B.Sc. (Hons.) (<i>Minister of Labour and Social Partnership Relations</i>) |
| Bishop J. J. S. Atherley, J.P., B.A., B.Sc., PgD. (<i>Leader of the Opposition</i>) | Dr. S. E. Browne, M.B.B.S. (<i>Chairman of Committees</i>) |
| Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid, J.P., B.D.S., F.D.S., F.D.R.C.S., M.Min. (<i>Minister of Transport, Works and Maintenance</i>) | Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.P.A. (<i>Minister of Maritime Affairs and the Blue Economy</i>) |
| | Hon. R. R. Straughn, B.Sc., M.Sc. (<i>Minister in the Ministry of Finance</i>) |
| | Hon. Miss M. K-A. Caddle, B.A., M.Sc. (<i>Minister in the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Investment</i>) |
| | Mr. N. G. H. Rowe (<i>Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs</i>) |

ABSENT

Hon. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B. (*Minister of Tourism and International Transport*).
 Mr. Speaker took the Chair at 10.10 a.m.
 Prayers were taken by Rev. Father Mark Harewood.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of Tuesday, 10th July, 2018 were taken as read and were confirmed on the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid.

ORDERS OF THE DAY**SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS**

On the motion of the Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid Standing Orders 6, 16, 18, 20, 42(5), 43 and 44 were suspended for the remainder of the Sitting.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**ORDER NO. 1****INTEGRITY IN PUBLIC LIFE BILL, 2018 (resumed)**

On the Order being called for Hon. D. D. Marshall to resume the debate on the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to establish a regime, including an integrity commission, to promote the integrity of persons in public life and strengthen measures for the prevention, detection, investigation and prosecution of acts of corruption.

Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley began to speak.
 Bishop J. J. S. Atherley spoke on a point of order.
 Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley resumed her speech.
 Bishop J. J. S. Atherley spoke on a point of order.
 Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley resumed her speech.
 Bishop J. J. S. Atherley spoke on a point of order.
 Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley concluded her speech.
 Hon. R. R. Straughn spoke.
 Mr. R. A. Thorne spoke.
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by His Honour G. A. Clarke the Sitting was suspended to 2.15 p.m.

At 12.52 p.m. Mr. Speaker suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 1 (resumed)

Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde spoke.
 Hon. A. R. Forde spoke.
 Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic spoke.
 Hon. E. G. Hinkson spoke.
 Hon. I. A. Weir spoke.
 Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.
 Hon. T. A. Prescod spoke.
 His Honour G. A. Clarke spoke.

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke and moved seconded by Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill that further consideration of the Bill be postponed and that the Bill be referred to a Joint Select Committee of both Houses comprising seven Members of the House of Assembly and four Members of the Honourable the Senate on the following terms of reference:

1. To inquire into and determine whether the Bill as drafted effectively fulfills the expressed objects of promoting and maintaining the integrity of persons in public life and the prevention, detection and prosecution of acts of corruption;

2. To examine whether the Bill as drafted will upon effective implementation contribute to an ethos of fair dealings and compliance with the financial rules in government affairs, thereby combating corruption in public life;
3. To examine and analyse whether the provisions of the Bill which relate to financial disclosure will so deter citizens from offering themselves for public duty and service as to have a negative impact on the functioning of government;
4. To consider whether the Bill as drafted will be an effective and strong deterrent to corruption in public life in Barbados;
5. To make recommended changes, if deemed necessary, to the Bill as drafted for further consideration by the Chief Parliamentary Counsel,

and that the following Members of the House of Assembly be appointed to the Joint Select Committee:

Hon. Dale D. Marshall, Q.C., LL.B., (Hons.) L.E.C.
Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs

Hon. Wilfred A. Abrahams, LL.B.
Minister of Energy and Water Resources

Hon. Colin E. Jordan, B.Sc. (Hons.)
Minister of Labour and Social Partnership Relations

Hon. Miss Cynthia Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P.
Minister of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs

Hon. Charles McD. Griffith, B.Sc.
Minister in the Ministry of Housing, Lands and Rural Development

Mr. Ralph A. Thorne, Q.C., LL.B., L.E.C., Dip. Theology

Bishop Joseph J. S. Atherley, J.P., B.A., B.Sc., PgD.
Leader of the Opposition

The motion was passed.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES (recommitted)

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw gave notice of a Resolution that Standing Order 61 of the Standing Orders of the House of Assembly be suspended for the duration of the Joint Select Committee's consideration of the Integrity in Public Life Bill, 2018.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS (recommitted)

ORDER NO. 2

Resolution that Standing Order 61 of the Standing Orders of the House of Assembly be suspended for the duration of the Joint Select Committee's consideration of the Integrity in Public Life Bill, 2018.

The Resolution was passed on the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY HIS HONOUR THE SPEAKER

His Honour the Speaker read the following Message to the Honourable the Senate:

MESSAGE

from

THE HONOURABLE THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

to

THE HONOURABLE THE SENATE

The Honourable the House of Assembly has the honour to inform the Honourable the Senate that on the 17th day of July, 2018, the Honourable the House of Assembly committed the following Bill:

Integrity in Public Life Bill, 2018

to a Joint Select Committee of the two Houses comprising seven Members of the Honourable the House of Assembly and four Members of the Honourable the Senate and has approved the following terms of reference for the Committee:

Terms of Reference

1. To inquire into and determine whether the Bill as drafted effectively fulfills the expressed objects of promoting and maintaining the integrity of persons in public life and the prevention, detection and prosecution of acts of corruption;
2. To examine whether the Bill as drafted will upon effective implementation contribute to an ethos of fair dealings and compliance with the financial rules in government affairs, thereby combating corruption in public life;
3. To examine and analyse whether the provisions of the Bill which relate to financial disclosure will so deter citizens from offering themselves for public duty and service as to have a negative impact on the functioning of government;
4. To consider whether the Bill as drafted will be an effective and strong deterrent to corruption in public life in Barbados;
5. To make recommended changes, if deemed necessary, to the Bill as drafted for further consideration by the Chief Parliamentary Counsel.

The House of Assembly has appointed the following Members to the Joint Select Committee:

Hon. Dale D. Marshall, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C.

Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs

Hon. Wilfred A. Abrahams, LL.B.

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Bishop Joseph J. S. Atherley, J.P., B.A., B.Sc., PgD.
Leader of the Opposition

The House of Assembly has the honour to invite the Honourable the Senate to appoint four Members to the Joint Select Committee.

Dated the 17th day of July, 2018.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of the Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw who spoke seconded by Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill the House was adjourned to Tuesday, 24th July, 2018 at 10.00 a.m.

At 6.38 p.m. Mr. Speaker adjourned the Sitting.

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

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the _____ day of _____, 2018.

Speaker.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY
PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS
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