



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 9th day of July, 2024, at 10.00 o'clock a.m. pursuant to the adjournment.

PRESENT

- His Honour A. E. Holder, S.C., B.Sc. (Hons.), MSW, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (*Speaker*)
Her Honour Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P. (*Deputy Speaker*)
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| Mr. T. A. Prescod, J.P., B.A. | Hon. A. R. Forde, Rph. (<i>Minister of Environment and National Beautification and the Green and Blue Economy</i>) |
| Hon. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B. (<i>Senior Minister</i>) (<i>Minister of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade</i>) | Hon. C. McD. Griffith, B.Sc. (<i>Minister of Youth, Sports and Community Empowerment</i>) |
| Hon. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.) (<i>Minister of Housing, Lands and Maintenance</i>) | Mr. P. R. Phillips, J.P. (<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>Senior Minister</i>) (<i>Minister of Planning and Development in the Prime Minister's Office</i>) (<i>Acting Prime Minister with effect from 7th to 9th July, 2024</i>) | Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill (<i>Minister of Tourism and International Transport</i>) |
| Hon. W. A. Abrahams, S.C., LL.B. (<i>Minister of Home Affairs and Information</i>) (<i>Acting Attorney General with effect from 9th July, 2024</i>) | Hon. C. E. Jordan, B.Sc. (Hons.) (<i>Minister of Labour, Social Security and Third Sector</i>) |
| Mr. R. A. Thorne, K.C., LL.B., L.E.C., Dip. Theology (<i>Leader of the Opposition</i>) | Dr. S. E. Browne, M.B.B.S. |
| Hon. I. A. Weir, M.B.A. (<i>Minister of Agriculture, Food and Nutritional Security</i>) | Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.P.A. (<i>Minister of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs</i>) |
| | Hon. R. R. Straughn, B.Sc., M.Sc. (<i>Minister in the Ministry of Finance</i>) |
| | Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore, J.P., M.B.A. |
| | Hon. Miss K. S. McConney (<i>Minister of Education, Technological and Vocational Training</i>) |
| | Dr. R. O. Springer, J.P., Ph.D. (<i>Parliamentary Secretary in the Ministry of Transport and Works</i>) |
| | Hon. C. A. Lane, J.P. (<i>Minister of State in the Office of the Attorney General</i>) |

ABSENT

Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, S.C., LL.B. (*Prime Minister, Minister of Finance, Economic Affairs, Culture, Security, Public Service, CARICOM and the Development Commissions*), Hon. D. D. Marshall, S.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (*Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs*), Mr. E. G. Hinkson, S.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M., Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (*Deputy Prime Minister*) (*Senior Minister*) (*Minister of Transport and Works*) (*Leader of Government Business*), Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, B.A. (Hons.), M.Sc. (*Minister of State in the Ministry of Education, Technological and Vocational Training*), Hon. Ms. M. K-A. Caddle, B.A., M.Sc. (*Minister of Industry, Innovation, Science and Technology*), Mr. N. G. H. Rowe, J.P., Hon. D. I. Ishmael, M.B.A., M.Sc. (*Minister of State in the Ministry of Health and Wellness*) and Mr. C. D. L. Gibbs.

PRAYERS

Prayers were taken by Rev. Father Mark Harewood.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the meetings of Tuesday, 2nd July, 2024 were deferred on the motion of Hon. W. A. Abrahams and seconded by Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid.

FIRST READINGS OF BILLS

On the motion of Hon. W. A. Abrahams, seconded by Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid, the following Bills were read a first time.

- The Criminal Justice Bill (Plea Negotiations and Agreement) Bill, 2024.
- The Health Services (Amendment) Bill, 2024; and
- The Marine Transport (Emissions Control) Bill, 2024.

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

On the motion of Hon. W. A. Abrahams, 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. 12****MARINE TRANSPORT (EMISSIONS CONTROL) BILL, 2024**

On the Order being called for the Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to provide for

- (a) the implementation of the 1997 Protocol to the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (MARPOL) 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978 relating thereto and by the Protocol of 1997;
- (b) the implementation of Article 212 of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, 1982;
- (c) the implementation of the Technical Code on Control of Emission of Nitrogen Oxides from Marine Diesel Engines adopted by the International Maritime Organization;
- (d) the control of emissions from ships that exceed 150 gross tons;
- (e) the promotion of energy efficiency in shipping;
- (f) and related matters.

the Hon. Member spoke and moved, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams that the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. R. A. Thorne began to speak.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

Mr. R. A. Thorne concluded his speech.

Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.

Hon. A. R. Forde spoke.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. K. D. Symmonds, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey the Sitting was suspended at 1.48 p.m. to 3.30 p.m.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 12 (resumed)

On the motion of Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey the Honourable the House resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, Mr. P. R. Phillips in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 131 were called in the respective parts and passed on the separate motion of Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill, which were seconded.

The First to the Thirteenth Schedules were called and passed on the motions of Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill, which were seconded.

On the motion of Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Chairman reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to Mr. Speaker who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 9

Resolution that the Honourable the House of Assembly concur in the amendments made by the Honourable the Senate to the Barbados Blue Green Bank Bill, 2024.

On the Order being called, Hon. W. A. Abrahams moved, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey that the Resolution be passed.

The motion was passed.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. W. A. Abrahams, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey the Sitting was suspended at 4.00 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS (recommitted)

Hon. W. A. Abrahams made a Statement on the passage of Hurricane Beryl.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Hon. W. A. Abrahams, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, the House was adjourned to Tuesday, 16th July, 2024 at 1.30 p.m.

At 5.35 p.m. Mr. Speaker adjourned the Sitting.

N. R. JONES, Q.C.

Deputy Clerk of Parliament.

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the
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Speaker.

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