



# MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

## The Honourable the House of Assembly

At a meeting of the House of Assembly at the Parliament Buildings on Monday, the 2nd day of March, 2026, 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*)

His Honour N. G. H. Rowe, J.P. (*Deputy Speaker*)

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| Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, S.C., LL.B. ( <i>Prime Minister, Minister of Economic Affairs and Development, Minister of National Security</i> )  | Hon. C. E. Jordan, B.Sc. (Hons.) ( <i>Minister of Labour, Social Security and the Third Sector</i> )                      |
| Hon. T. A. Prescod, J.P., B.A. ( <i>Minister in the Prime Minister's Office – Pan African Affairs and Heritage</i> )   | Dr. S. E. Browne, M.B.B.S.  |
| Hon. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B. ( <i>Senior Minister</i> ) ( <i>Minister of Energy, Business Development and Commerce</i> )   | Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.P.A. ( <i>Senior Minister</i> ) ( <i>Minister of Transport and Works</i> )        |
| Mr. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.)   | Hon. R. R. Straughn, B.Sc., M.Sc. ( <i>Minister of Finance</i> )  |
| Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. ( <i>Deputy Prime Minister</i> ) ( <i>Minister of Environment, National Beautification and Fisheries</i> ) ( <i>Leader of Government Business</i> ) | Hon. Ms. M. K.-A. Caddle, B.A., M.Sc. ( <i>Minister in the Prime Minister's Office – Economic Affairs and Planning</i> )  |
| Dr. W. F. Duguid, J.P., B.D.S., F.D.S., F.D.R.C.S., M. Min.  | Ms. T. N. S.-A. Moore, J.P., M.B.A.   |
| Hon. W. A. Abrahams, S.C., LL.B. L.E.C. ( <i>Attorney General</i> )  | Hon. Miss K. S. McConney ( <i>Minister of the Public Service and Talent Development</i> )                                 |
| Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, B.A. (Hons.), M.Sc. ( <i>Minister of Technological and Vocational Training</i> )   | Dr. the Hon. R. O. Springer, J.P., Ph.D. ( <i>Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Works</i> )              |
| Hon. I. A. Weir, M.B.A. ( <i>Minister of Public and Private Investment</i> )   | Hon. D. I. Ishmael, M.B.A., M.Sc. ( <i>Minister of State in the Ministry of Health and Wellness</i> )                     |
| Hon. A. R. Forde, Rph. ( <i>Minister of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs</i> )   | Mr. C. D. L. Gibbs ( <i>Minister of Housing, Lands and Maintenance</i> )  |
| Hon. C. McD. Griffith, B.Sc. ( <i>Minister of Sports and Community Empowerment</i> )   | Hon. C. J. Blackman, J.P., LL.B., LL.M., ACI Arb. ( <i>Minister of Education Transformation</i> )                         |
| Mr. P. R. Phillips, J.P. ( <i>Chairman of Committees</i> )   | Hon. M. A. Lashley, LL.B. (Hons.) ( <i>Minister of Legal Affairs and Criminal Justice</i> )                               |
| Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill ( <i>Minister of Tourism and International Transport</i> )   | Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight, Ph.D. ( <i>Minister of Agriculture, Food and Nutritional Security</i> )                  |
|  | Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls, B.Sc. (Hons.), LL.B. (Hons.), LL.M., MCI Arb. ( <i>Minister of Home Affairs and Information</i> ) |
|  | Mr. R. R. Brathwaite, J.P., B.Sc.   |
|  | Ms. T. Trotman, LL.B., L.E.C.   |

**PRAYERS**

Prayers were taken by Reverend Canon Mark Harewood.

**MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 24th February, 2026 were deferred on the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams.

**ORDERS OF THE DAY**

**SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS**

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

**GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**

**ORDER NO. 1**

**APPROPRIATION BILL, 2026**

**ANNUAL ESTIMATES 2026 – 2027**

On the Order being called, Hon. R. R. Straughn spoke and on his motion, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey the House resolved itself into Standing Finance Committee, Mr. P. R. Phillips in the Chair.

**HEAD 96 – MINISTRY OF EDUCATION TRANSFORMATION – \$289,849,114.00**

The Hon. C. J. Blackman and officials under the Ministry of Education Transformation took their places in the Well of the House.

Mr. Chairman spoke.

Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke and moved seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams that Head 96 stand part.

Mr. Chairman spoke.

His Honour N. G. H. Rowe spoke.

Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.

Mr. Wayne Baker (Director, Education Technical Management Unit) spoke.

Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.

Ms. Kim Belle (Permanent Secretary) spoke.

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

Ms. Kim Belle spoke.

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

Ms. Kim Belle spoke.

Hon. Ms. M. K.-A. Caddle spoke.

Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.

Dr. Ramona Archer-Bradshaw (Chief Education Officer) spoke.

Hon. Ms. M. K.-A. Caddle spoke.

Dr. Ramona Archer-Bradshaw spoke.

Ms. Kay Sargeant (Senior Education Officer, Special Education Needs) spoke.

Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.

Hon. Ms. M. K.-A. Caddle spoke.

Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.

Ms. Julia Beckles (Deputy Chief Education Officer, Schools) spoke.

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

Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.

Dr. Ramona Archer-Bradshaw spoke.

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

Dr. Ramona Archer-Bradshaw spoke.

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

Dr. Ramona Archer-Bradshaw spoke.

Ms. Julia Beckles spoke.

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

Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams Mr. Chairman reported progress to Mr. Speaker who resumed the Chair and asked leave to sit again.

**SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Sitting was suspended at 12.06 p.m. to 12.15 p.m.

**RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.  
The House reverted to Standing Finance Committee.  
Mr. P. R. Phillips in the Chair.

**HEAD 96 (resumed)**

Ms. T. Trotman spoke.  
Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
Ms. Kim Belle spoke.  
Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
Ms. T. Trotman spoke.  
Ms. Kim Belle spoke.  
Ms. T. Trotman spoke.  
Dr. Ramona Archer-Bradshaw spoke.  
Ms. T. Trotman spoke.  
Dr. Ramona Archer-Bradshaw spoke.  
Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
Dr. the Hon. R. O. Springer spoke.  
Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
Dr. the Hon. R. O. Springer spoke.  
Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
Dr. Ramona Archer-Bradshaw spoke.  
Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
Dr. the Hon. R. O. Springer spoke.  
Mr. Chairman spoke.  
Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
Dr. the Hon. R. O. Springer spoke.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey Mr. Chairman reported progress to Mr. Speaker who resumed the Chair and asked leave to sit again.

**SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey the Sitting was suspended at 1.15 p.m. to 2.30 p.m.

**RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.  
The House reverted to Standing Finance Committee, Mr. P. R. Phillips in the Chair.

**HEAD 96 (resumed)**

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
Mrs. Juanita Brathwaite-Wharton (Senior Psychologist) spoke.  
Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
Dr. Ramona Archer-Bradshaw spoke.  
Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
Dr. Ramona Archer-Bradshaw spoke.  
Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.  
Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
Ms. Kim Belle spoke.  
Mr. Wayne Baker spoke.  
Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.  
Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.

Ms. Ché Greenidge (Director and Head of the Oceana Innovation Hub) spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Dr. Ramona Archer-Bradshaw spoke.  
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 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Hon. A. R. Forde spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
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 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Mr. Wayne Baker spoke.  
 Hon. A. R. Forde spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Dr. Ramona Archer-Bradshaw spoke.  
 Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Reverend Stephen Scott (Deputy Chief Education Officer, Planning and Development) spoke.  
 Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
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 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Hon. T. A. Prescod spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Hon. T. A. Prescod spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Mrs. Juanita Brathwaite-Wharton spoke.  
 Ms. Julia Beckles spoke.  
 Hon. T. A. Prescod spoke.  
 Dr. Ramona Archer-Bradshaw spoke.  
 Hon. T. A. Prescod spoke.  
 Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Dr. Ramona Archer-Bradshaw spoke.  
 Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke.  
 Ms. Kim Belle spoke.  
 Mr. Wayne Baker spoke.  
 Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke.

Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Dr. Ramona Archer-Bradshaw spoke.  
 Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke.  
 Ms. T. Trotman spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Ms. Janelle Little (Education Officer, Literacy) spoke.  
 Ms. T. Trotman spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Ms. Janelle Little spoke.  
 Ms. T. Trotman spoke.  
 Dr. Ramona Archer-Bradshaw spoke.  
 Ms. T. Trotman spoke.  
 Dr. Ramona Archer-Bradshaw spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Ms. Kim Belle spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams Mr. Chairman reported progress to Mr. Speaker who resumed the Chair and asked leave to sit again.

**SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Sitting was suspended until Tuesday, 3rd March, 2026 at 10.00 a.m.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

At 5.20 p.m. Mr. Speaker suspended the Sitting.

**RESUMPTION (Tuesday, 3rd March, 2026)**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

**ORDERS OF THE DAY (recommitted)**

**SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS**

On the motion of Hon. Miss K. S. McConney, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, Standing Order 67(3) was suspended with respect to Head 96 Ministry of Education Transformation of the Annual Estimates 2026-2027.

The House reverted to Standing Finance Committee, Mr. P. R. Phillips in the Chair.

**ORDER NO. 1 (resumed)**

**ANNUAL ESTIMATES 2026-2027**

**HEAD 96 (resumed)**

Mr. Chairman spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Dr. Christina Morris (Senior Education Officer, Nursery and Primary) began to speak and gave way.  
 Mr. Chairman spoke.  
 Hon. Miss K. S. McConney spoke.  
 Dr. Christina Morris spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Dr. Christina Morris spoke.  
 Hon. Miss K. S. McConney spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls spoke.  
 Dr. Ramona Archer-Bradshaw spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls spoke.  
 Mr. Chairman spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Dr. Ramona Archer-Bradshaw spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.  
 Dr. Ramona Archer-Bradshaw spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.

Dr. Ramona Archer-Bradshaw spoke.  
 Mrs. Juanita Brathwaite-Wharton spoke.  
 Dr. Ramona Archer-Bradshaw spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Mr. Andre Hinds (Manager, Information System) spoke.  
 Hon. M. A. Lashley spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Ms. T. Trotman spoke.  
 Ms. Julia Beckles spoke.  
 Ms. T. Trotman spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Ms. T. Trotman spoke.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael, the Chairman reported progress to Mr. Speaker and asked leave to sit again.

#### **SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, the Sitting was suspended at 11.57 a.m. to 12.05 p.m.

#### **RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The House reverted to Standing Finance Committee, Mr. P. R. Phillips in the Chair.

#### **HEAD 96 (resumed)**

Mr. D. G. Sutherland spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Dr. Ramona Archer-Bradshaw spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Mr. D. G. Sutherland spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Mr. Wayne Baker spoke.  
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 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Mr. Wayne Baker spoke.  
 Mr. D. G. Sutherland spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Mr. R. R. Brathwaite spoke.  
 Ms. Kay Sargeant spoke.  
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 Mr. R. R. Brathwaite spoke.  
 Dr. Ramona Archer-Bradshaw spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Mr. R. R. Brathwaite spoke.  
 Mr. Chairman spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Reverend Stephen Scott spoke.  
 Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Reverend Stephen Scott spoke.  
 Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Dr. Ramona Archer-Bradshaw spoke.

Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke.  
 Dr. Ramona Archer-Bradshaw spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls spoke.  
 Dr. Ramona Archer-Bradshaw spoke.  
 Mrs. Sharon Weekes-Cumberbatch (Senior School Attendance Officer) spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls spoke.  
 Mrs. Sharon Weekes-Cumberbatch spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls spoke.  
 Mrs. Sharon Weekes-Cumberbatch spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Ms. Julia Beckles spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.  
 Dr. Ramona Archer-Bradshaw spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke in reply.  
 Head 96 was passed.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Chairman reported progress to Mr. Speaker and asked leave to sit again.

#### **SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Sitting was suspended at 1.23 p.m. to 2.45 p.m.

#### **RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

#### **ORDER NO. 1 (resumed) ANNUAL ESTIMATES 2026-2027**

Mr. Speaker spoke.  
 The House reverted to Standing Finance Committee, Mr. P. R. Phillips in the Chair.

#### **HEAD 32 – MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND FOREIGN TRADE – \$80,691,720.00**

Senator the Hon. C. P. Sinckler sought and obtained leave to have the representative staff of the Ministry join him in the Well of the House.

The Chairman spoke.

Senator the Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke and moved seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams that Head 32 stand part.

Dr. W. F. Duguid spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke.  
 Dr. W. F. Duguid spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke.  
 Ms. Donna Forde (Director General, Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade) spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke.  
 Dr. W. F. Duguid spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke.  
 Ms. Donna Forde spoke.  
 Ms. Paula Byer (Director of Foreign Trade) spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke.  
 Dr. W. F. Duguid spoke.  
 Hon. A. R. Forde spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke.  
 Hon. A. R. Forde spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke.  
 Hon. A. R. Forde spoke.  
 Ms. Donna Forde spoke.  
 Hon. A. R. Forde spoke.

Ms. Donna Forde spoke.

Senator the Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke.

Mr. R. R. Brathwaite spoke.

Senator the Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke.

His Honour N. G. H. Rowe spoke.

Senator the Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke.

His Honour N. G. H. Rowe began to speak and gave way.

Mr. Chairman spoke.

His Honour N. G. H. Rowe spoke.

Senator the Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke.

Ms. Paula Byer spoke.

Senator the Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke.

His Honour N. G. H. Rowe spoke.

Senator the Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke.

Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.

Ms. Donna Forde spoke.

Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.

Senator the Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke.

Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.

Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.

Ms. Donna Forde spoke.

Senator the Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke.

Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.

Senator the Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke.

Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.

Ms. Donna Forde spoke.

Senator the Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke.

Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.

Ms. Donna Forde spoke.

Senator the Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke.

Ms. T. Trotman spoke.

Ms. Donna Forde spoke.

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Ms. Donna Forde spoke.

Ms. T. Trotman spoke.

Ms. Paula Byer spoke.

Ms. T. Trotman began to speak.

Mr. Chairman spoke.

Senator the Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke.

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

Senator the Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke.

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

Ms. Joy-Ann Skinner (Permanent Secretary) spoke.

Mr. D. G. Sutherland spoke.

Senator the Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke.

Mr. D. G. Sutherland began to speak.

Mr. Chairman spoke.

Mr. D. G. Sutherland concluded his speech.

Senator the Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Chairman reported progress to Mr. Speaker who resumed the Chair and asked leave to sit again.

**SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, the Sitting was suspended at 5.35 p.m. to 5.40 p.m.

**RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.  
The House reverted to Standing Finance Committee.

**ORDER NO.1 (resumed)****HEAD 32 (resumed)**

Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands spoke.  
Senator the Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke.  
Ms. Sandra Gittens (Senior Foreign Service Officer) spoke.  
Mrs. Trecia King (Senior Foreign Service Officer) spoke.  
Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands spoke.  
Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls spoke.  
Senator the Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke in reply.  
Head 32 was passed.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Chairman reported progress to Mr. Speaker, who resumed the Chair and asked leave to sit again.

**SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, at 6.52 p.m. Mr. Speaker suspended the Sitting to Wednesday, 4th March, 2026 at 10.00 a.m.

**RESUMPTION (Wednesday, 4th March, 2026)**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

**GOVERNMENT NOTICES (recommitted)**

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw gave notice of the Older Persons (Care and Protection) Bill, 2026.

**FIRST READINGS OF BILLS**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Older Persons (Care and Protection) Bill, 2026 was read a first time.

**GOVERNMENT BUSINESS (recommitted)**

The House reverted to Standing Finance Committee, Mr. P. R. Phillips in the Chair and spoke.

**ORDER NO. 1 (resumed)****ANNUAL ESTIMATES 2026-2027****HEAD 93 – MINISTRY OF HOUSING, LANDS AND MAINTENANCE - \$289,849,114.00**

Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs sought and obtained leave to have the representative staff of the Ministry join him in the Well of the House.

Mr. Chairman spoke.

Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke and moved seconded by Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands that Head 93 stand part.

His Honour N. G. H. Rowe spoke.

Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.

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His Honour N. G. H. Rowe spoke.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.

Mr. Ian Gill (General Manager, NHC) spoke.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.

Mr. H. Niki Smith (Permanent Secretary) spoke.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.

Ms. Nicole Johnson (Chief Housing Planner) spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Ms. Nicole Johnson spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
 Mr. Raymond Lorde (Deputy General Manager (Ag.), NHC) spoke.  
 Hon. Miss K. S. McConney spoke.  
 Mr. Ian Gill spoke.  
 Hon. Miss K. S. McConney spoke.  
 Mrs. Henrietta Bourne-Forde (Chief Legal Officer, NHC) began to speak and gave way.  
 Hon. Miss K. S. McConney spoke.  
 Mrs. Henrietta Bourne-Forde spoke.  
 Hon. Miss K. S. McConney spoke.  
 Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
 Mr. Ian Gill spoke.  
 Dr. W. F. Duguid spoke.  
 Mr. Ian Gill spoke.  
 Dr. W. F. Duguid spoke.  
 Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
 Mrs. Henrietta Bourne-Forde spoke.  
 Dr. W. F. Duguid spoke.  
 Mr. Ian Gill spoke.  
 Dr. W. F. Duguid spoke.  
 Hon. Ms. M. K-A. Caddle began to speak and gave way.  
 Mr. Chairman spoke.  
 Hon. Ms. M. K-A. Caddle spoke.  
 Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
 Mr. Ian Gill spoke.  
 Mr. William Clarke (Chief Estate Officer, NHC) spoke.  
 Hon. Ms. M. K-A. Caddle spoke.  
 Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
 Mr. Mark Williamson (CEO, Hope Inc.) spoke.  
 Hon. Ms. M. K-A. Caddle spoke.  
 Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
 Mr. Ian Gill spoke.  
 Hon. Ms. M. K-A. Caddle spoke.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, the Chairman reported progress to Mr. Speaker who resumed the Chair and asked leave to sit again.

#### **SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the House was suspended at 12.12 p.m. to 12.20 p.m.

#### **RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The House reverted to Standing Finance Committee, Mr. P. R. Phillips in the Chair.

#### **HEAD 93 (resumed)**

Dr. the Hon. R. O. Springer spoke.  
 Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
 Ms. Nicole Johnson spoke.  
 Dr. the Hon. R. O. Springer began to speak and gave way.  
 Mr. Chairman spoke.  
 Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands spoke.  
 Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.

Mrs. Henrietta Bourne-Forde spoke.  
 Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands spoke.  
 Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
 Mrs. Henrietta Bourne-Forde spoke.  
 Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands spoke.  
 Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith began to speak and gave way.  
 Mr. Chairman spoke.  
 Ms. T. Trotman spoke.  
 Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
 Ms. T. Trotman spoke.  
 Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
 Mr. H. Niki Smith spoke.  
 Ms. T. Trotman spoke.  
 Mr. H. Niki Smith spoke.  
 Mr. Raymond Lorde spoke.  
 Ms. T. Trotman spoke.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, Mr. Chairman reported progress to Mr. Speaker who resumed the Chair and asked for leave to sit again.

#### **SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Sitting was suspended at 1.12 p.m. to 2.30 p.m.

#### **RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and spoke.  
 The House reverted to Standing Finance Committee, Mr. P. R. Phillips in the Chair.

#### **HEAD 93 (resumed)**

Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke.  
 Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
 Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke.  
 Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
 Mr. Ian Gill spoke.  
 Mr. William Clarke spoke.  
 Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke.  
 Mr. R. R. Brathwaite spoke.  
 Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
 Mr. Raymond Lorde spoke.  
 Mr. Mark Williamson spoke.  
 Mr. R. R. Brathwaite spoke.  
 Mr. Mark Williamson spoke.  
 Mr. R. R. Brathwaite spoke.  
 Mr. Mark Williamson spoke.  
 Mr. D. G. Sutherland spoke.  
 Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
 Mr. William Clarke spoke.  
 Mr. D. G. Sutherland spoke.  
 Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
 Mr. Ian Gill spoke.  
 Mr. D. G. Sutherland spoke.  
 Mr. H. Niki Smith spoke.  
 Mr. D. G. Sutherland began to speak and gave way.  
 Mr. Chairman spoke.  
 Mr. D. G. Sutherland spoke.  
 Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.

Mrs. Henrietta Bourne-Forde spoke.  
Ms. Kim Butcher (Registrar of Titles) spoke.  
Mr. D. G. Sutherland spoke.  
Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls spoke.  
Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
Mr. Raymond Lorde spoke.  
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Mr. Raymond Lorde spoke.  
Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls spoke.  
Mr. Chairman spoke.  
Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls spoke.  
Mr. Chairman spoke.  
Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls spoke.  
Mr. Chairman spoke.  
Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls spoke.  
Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
Mr. Raymond Lorde spoke.  
Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls began to speak and gave way.  
Mr. Chairman spoke.  
Hon. A. R. Forde spoke.  
Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
Hon. A. R. Forde spoke.  
Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
Mr. H. Niki Smith spoke.  
Hon. A. R. Forde spoke.  
Mr. H. Niki Smith spoke.  
Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore spoke.  
Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
Ms. Nicole Johnson spoke.  
Mrs. Henrietta Bourne-Forde spoke.  
Mr. H. Niki Smith spoke.  
Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore spoke.  
Mr. Chairman spoke.  
Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore spoke.  
Mr. Chairman spoke.  
Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
Mr. Ian Gill spoke.  
Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore spoke.  
Hon. T. A. Prescod spoke.  
Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
Mr. Ian Gill spoke.  
Hon. T. A. Prescod spoke.  
Mr. Chairman spoke.  
Hon. T. A. Prescod spoke.  
Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
Hon. T. A. Prescod spoke.  
Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke.

Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
 Mr. H. Niki Smith spoke.  
 Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke.  
 Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
 Mr. Ian Gill spoke.  
 Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke.  
 Mr. Ian Gill spoke.  
 Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke.  
 Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
 Mr. Ian Gill spoke.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, Mr. Chairman reported progress to Mr. Speaker who resumed the Chair and asked for leave to sit again.

#### **SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Sitting was suspended at 4.55 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.

#### **RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.  
 The House reverted to Standing Finance Committee, Mr. P. R. Phillips in the Chair.

#### **ORDER NO. 1 (resumed)**

#### **HEAD 93 (resumed)**

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Mr. Dexter Mondesir (Chief Property Manager (Ag.)) spoke.  
 Mr. Brian Hinds (Senior Property Manager) spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands spoke.  
 Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
 Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands spoke.  
 Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
 Mr. Raymond Lorde spoke.  
 Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands spoke.  
 Hon. Ms. M. K-A. Caddle spoke.  
 Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
 Hon. Ms. M. K-A. Caddle spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Mr. Raymond Lorde began to speak and gave way.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Mr. Raymond Lorde spoke.  
 Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore spoke.  
 Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
 Ms. Michelle St. Clair (Land Surveyor, Lands and Surveys Department) spoke.  
 Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore spoke.  
 Dr. the Hon. R. O. Springer spoke.  
 Mr. Ian Gill spoke.  
 Mr. Raymond Lorde spoke.  
 Dr. the Hon. R. O. Springer spoke.  
 Mr. Raymond Lorde spoke.  
 Dr. the Hon. R. O. Springer spoke.  
 Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight spoke.  
 Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
 Mr. Ian Gill spoke.  
 Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight spoke.

Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke in reply.

Head 93 was passed.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, Mr. Chairman reported progress to Mr. Speaker who resumed the Chair and asked leave to sit again.

**SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey at 6.16 p.m. the Speaker suspended the Sitting to Friday, 6th March, 2026 at 10.00 a.m.

**RESUMPTION (Friday, 6th March, 2026)**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The House reverted to Standing Finance Committee, Mr. P. R. Phillips in the Chair.

**ORDER NO. 1 (resumed)**

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**HEAD 41 – MINISTRY OF ENERGY, BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT  
AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS – \$81,121,253.00**

Hon. K. D. Symmonds sought and obtained leave to have the representative staff of the Ministry to join him in the Well of the House.

Mr. Chairman spoke.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke and moved seconded by Hon. A. R. Forde that Head 41 stand part.

Dr. W. F. Duguid spoke.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

Mr. Jamar White (Director, Natural Resources Department) spoke.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

Dr. W. F. Duguid began to speak and gave way.

Mr. Chairman spoke.

Hon. D. I. Ishmael spoke.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

Mr. Jerry Amos (General Manager, Barbados Trust Fund Ltd.) spoke.

Hon. D. I. Ishmael spoke.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

Hon. D. I. Ishmael spoke.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

Mr. Jerry Amos spoke.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

Mr. Kevin Hunte (Permanent Secretary) spoke.

Hon. D. I. Ishmael spoke.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

Mr. Jerry Amos spoke.

Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

Hon. A. R. Forde spoke.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

Mr. Bryan Haynes (Director of Renewable Energy) spoke.

On the motion of Hon. Ms. K. S. McConney, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey the Chairman reported progress to His Honour the Speaker who resumed the Chair and asked leave to sit again.

**SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Ms. K. S. McConney, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, the Sitting was suspended at 11.50 a.m. to 12 o'clock noon.

**RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The House reverted to Standing Finance Committee.

**ORDER NO. 1 (resumed)**

**HEAD 41 (resumed)**

Hon. A. R. Forde spoke.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

Mr. Bryan Haynes spoke.

Hon. A. R. Forde spoke.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

Mr. Bryan Haynes spoke.

Hon. A. R. Forde spoke.

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

Mr. Anderson Cumberbatch (Deputy Permanent Secretary (Ag.) (Administration)) spoke.

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

Mr. Brent Gittens (Registrar of Cooperatives) spoke.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, the Chairman reported progress to Mr. Speaker who resumed the Chair, and asked leave to sit again.

**SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, the Sitting was suspended at 1.06 p.m. to 2.20 p.m.

**RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The House reverted to Standing Finance Committee.

**ORDER NO. 1 (resumed)**

**HEAD 41(resumed)**

Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

Mr. Brian Reece (CEO of Fair Trading Commission) spoke.

Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

Ms. Sandra Rawlins (Public Counsel, Office of Public Counsel) spoke.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

Mr. Delano Scantlebury (Project Director, Project Monitoring and Coordination) spoke.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.

Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke.

Ms. Tameisha Rochester (Registrar, Business Barbados) spoke.

Mr. Kevin Hunte spoke.

Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

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

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

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

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

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

Mr. Jerry Amos spoke.

Mr. Brent Gittens spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Ms. Keisha Reid (Deputy Permanent Secretary, Projects) spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Hon. I. A. Weir spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Mr. Brian Reece spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Hon. I. A. Weir spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Mr. Brian Reece spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Hon. I. A. Weir spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Mr. Brian Reece spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Hon. I. A. Weir spoke.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, the Chairman reported progress to Mr. Speaker, who resumed the Chair and asked leave to sit again.

#### **SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Sitting was suspended at 4.02 p.m. to 4.05 p.m.

#### **RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.  
 The House reverted to Standing Finance Committee.

#### **ORDER NO. 1 (resumed)**

#### **HEAD 41 (resumed)**

Hon. Ms. M. K.-A. Caddle spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Ms. Tamesha Rochester spoke.  
 Hon. Ms. M. K.-A. Caddle spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Ms. Tamesha Rochester spoke.  
 Hon. Ms. M. K.-A. Caddle spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Hon. Ms. M. K.-A. Caddle spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Mr. Bert Johnson (Director of Commerce and Consumer Affairs) spoke.  
 Dr. W. F. Duguid spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Mr. James Browne (Chief Commercial Officer, BNECL) spoke.  
 Dr. W. F. Duguid spoke.  
 Mr. James Browne spoke.  
 Dr. W. F. Duguid spoke.  
 Mr. James Browne spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

Hon. D. I. Ishmael spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Mr. Anderson Cumberbatch spoke.  
 Hon. D. I. Ishmael spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Mr. Delano Scantlebury spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Mr. Delano Scantlebury spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Ms. T. N. S.-A. Moore spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Ms. T. N. S.-A. Moore spoke.  
 Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Mr. Corey Worrell (Programme Co-ordinator, FLITE Schools Programme) spoke.  
 Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke.  
 Mr. Corey Worrell spoke.  
 Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke in reply.  
 Head 41 was passed.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, the Chairman reported progress to Mr. Speaker who resumed the Chair, and asked leave to sit again.

#### **SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, the Sitting was suspended to Monday, 9th March, 2026 at 10.00 a.m.

At 6.02 p.m. Mr. Speaker suspended the Sitting.

#### **RESUMPTION (Monday, 9th March, 2026)**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The House reverted to Standing Finance Committee, Mr. P. R. Phillips in the Chair.

#### **ORDER NO. 1 (resumed)**

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#### **HEAD 84 – MINISTRY OF LABOUR, SOCIAL SECURITY AND THE THIRD SECTOR – \$20,476,014.00**

Hon. C. E. Jordan sought and obtained leave to have the representative staff of the Ministry to join him in the Well of the House.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke and moved seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey that Head 84 stand part.

Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

Ms. Erika Watson (Programme Manager) spoke.

Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

Ms. Erika Watson spoke.

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

Hon. Ms. M. K.-A. Caddle spoke.

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

Ms. Erika Watson spoke.

Hon. Ms. M. K.-A. Caddle spoke.

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

Hon. Ms. M. K.-A. Caddle spoke.

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Ms. T. Trotman spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Ms. Alison Elcock (Chief Labour Officer (Ag.)) spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Ms. T. Trotman spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Ms. T. Trotman spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Ms. Alison Elcock spoke.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, the Chairman reported progress to Mr. Speaker, who resumed the Chair and asked leave to sit again.

**SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey the House was suspended at 12.03 p.m. to 12.10 p.m.

**RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.  
 The House reverted to Standing Finance Committee, Mr. P. R. Phillips in the Chair.

**ORDER NO. 1 (resumed)**  
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**HEAD 84 (resumed)**

His Honour N. G. H. Rowe spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Ms. Frances Fontinelle-Walcott (Chief Operations Officer, National Insurance and Social Security Service) spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Ms. T. N. S.-A. Moore spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Ms. T. N. S.-A. Moore spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Ms. T. N. S.-A. Moore spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Ms. T. N. S.-A. Moore spoke.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, Mr. Chairman reported progress to Mr. Speaker who resumed the Chair and asked leave to sit again.

**SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey the Sitting was suspended at 12.57 p.m. to 2.15 p.m.

**RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.  
 The House reverted to Standing Finance Committee.

**ORDER NO. 1**  
**HEAD 84 (resumed)**

Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Mrs. Rhonda Farley (Co-ordinator) spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Mrs. Rhonda Farley spoke.  
 Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Ms. Frances Fontinelle-Walcott spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Ms. Moreen Bowen (Director (Ag.), Barbados Employment and Career Counselling Service) spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Hon. A. R. Forde spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Ms. Moreen Bowen spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Hon. A. R. Forde spoke.  
 Ms. T. N. S.-A. Moore spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Ms. T. N. S.-A. Moore spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Ms. T. N. S.-A. Moore spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Ms. T. N. S.-A. Moore spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Mr. Chairman spoke.  
 Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke in reply.  
 Head 84 was passed.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, the Chairman reported progress to Mr. Speaker who resumed the Chair and asked leave to sit again.

#### **SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, the Sitting was suspended to Tuesday, 10th March, 2026 at 10.00 a.m.

At 4.45 p.m. Mr. Speaker suspended the Sitting.

#### **RESUMPTION (Tuesday, 10th March, 2026)**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The House reverted to Standing Finance Committee, Mr. P. R. Phillips in the Chair.

#### **ORDER NO. 1 (resumed)**

#### **HEAD 27 – MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORT – \$31,572,452. 00**

Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill sought and obtained leave for his Officials to join him in the Well of the House.

The Chairman spoke.

Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke and moved, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, that Head 27 be passed.

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

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

Mrs. Francine Blackman (Permanent Secretary, Tourism) spoke.

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

Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Mrs. Francine Blackman spoke.  
 Mrs. Nicole Alleyne (Director, Research and Planning) spoke.  
 Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.  
 Dr. the Hon. R. O. Springer spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Mrs. Francine Blackman spoke.  
 Dr. the Hon. R. O. Springer spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Mrs. Francine Blackman spoke.  
 Dr. W. F. Duguid spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Mr. Glyne Blanchette (Chief Air Traffic Control Officer) spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Mr. Hadley Bourne (CEO, Grantley Adams International Airport) spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.

On the motion of Hon. W. A. Abrahams, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, the Chairman reported progress to Mr. Speaker, who resumed the Chair and asked leave to sit again.

#### **SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. W. A. Abrahams, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, the Sitting was suspended at 11.54 a.m. to 12.00 o'clock noon.

#### **RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.  
 The House reverted to Standing Finance Committee.

#### **HEAD 27 (resumed)**

Dr. W. F. Duguid spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Mr. Hadley Bourne spoke.  
 Mr. Lemuel Padmore (CEO, Caribbean Aircraft Handling) spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Mr. Hadley Bourne spoke.  
 Dr. W. F. Duguid spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Mr. Hadley Bourne spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Dr. W. F. Duguid spoke.  
 Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Ms. Andrea Franklin (CEO, Tourism Management Inc) spoke.  
 Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Ms. Andrea Franklin spoke.  
 Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Ms. Najla King (Director of Ocean Affairs) spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Ms. Najla King spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.

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

Ms. Najla King spoke.

Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.

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

Ms. Najla King spoke.

Mr. David Jean-Marie (CEO, Barbados Port Inc) spoke.

Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, the Chairman reported progress to Mr. Speaker who resumed the Chair, and asked leave to sit again.

#### **SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, the Sitting was suspended at 1.11 p.m. to 2.25 p.m.

#### **RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The House reverted to Standing Finance Committee.

#### **HEAD 27 (resumed)**

Hon. A. R. Forde spoke.

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

Ms. Lana Harewood (Manager, Barbados Tourism Product Authority) spoke.

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

Hon. A. R. Forde spoke.

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

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

Mr. David Jean-Marie spoke.

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

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

Mr. David Jean-Marie spoke.

Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.

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

Ms. Andrea Franklin spoke.

Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.

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

Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.

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

Dr. W. F. Duguid spoke.

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

Mr. David Jean-Marie spoke.

Dr. W. F. Duguid spoke.

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Dr. W. F. Duguid spoke.

Ms. T. Trotman spoke.

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

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

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

Mrs. Francine Blackman spoke.

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

Ms. Debra Hughes, (CEO, Needham's Point Development Holdings Ltd.) spoke.

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

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

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

Ms. T. Trotman spoke.

Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Mrs. Francine Blackman spoke.  
 Ms. T. Trotman spoke.  
 Mrs. Francine Blackman spoke.  
 Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Mrs. Francine Blackman spoke.  
 Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Ms. Marsha Alleyne (Chief Product Officer, Barbados Tourism Marketing Inc) began to  
 speak and gave way.  
 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Ms. Marsha Alleyne spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Ms. Jacqueline Pollard (Chief Tourism Development Officer (Ag)) spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Ms. Jacqueline Pollard spoke.  
 Mrs. Francine Blackman spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Mrs. Francine Blackman spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Mrs. Francine Blackman spoke.  
 Mrs. Nicole Alleyne spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Hon. Miss K. S. McConney spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Ms. Lana Harewood spoke.  
 Hon. Miss K. S. McConney spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Hon. Miss K. S. McConney spoke.  
 Ms. T. Trotman spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Mrs. Nicole Alleyne spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Mrs. Dionne Gibbs-Nicholls (Permanent Secretary (Ag) International Transport) spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Ms. Andrea Franklin spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
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 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Mrs. Francine Blackman spoke.  
 Ms. Andrea Franklin spoke.  
 Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight spoke.  
 Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Mrs. Francine Blackman spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Mrs. Francine Blackman spoke.  
 Mrs. Nicole Alleyne spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Mrs. Francine Blackman spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke in reply.  
 Head 27 was passed.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, the Chairman reported progress to Mr. Speaker, who resumed the Chair and asked leave to sit again.

#### **SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, the Sitting was suspended at 5.50 p.m. to Wednesday, 11th March, 2026 at 10.00 a.m.

#### **RESUMPTION (Wednesday, 11th March, 2026)**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

The House reverted to Standing Finance Committee.

#### **ORDER NO. 1 (resumed)**

#### **ANNUAL ESTIMATES 2026-2027**

#### **HEAD 31 – MINISTRY OF INNOVATION, INDUSTRY, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (MIST) – \$187,708,520.00**

Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid and officers took place in the Well of the House.

Mr. Chairman spoke.

Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke and moved seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey that Head 31 stand part.

Dr. W. F. Duguid spoke.

Mr. Mark Hill (CEO, Export Barbados) (BIDC) spoke.

Dr. W. F. Duguid spoke.

Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.

Mr. Mark Hill spoke.

Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.

Dr. W. F. Duguid spoke.

Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.

Dr. W. F. Duguid spoke.

Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.

Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.

Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.  
 Ms. Tamaisha Eytley Harvey (Director, Future Barbados) spoke.  
 Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.  
 Mr. Mark Hill spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.  
 Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.  
 Mr. Hadyn Rhynd (Director, BNSI) spoke.  
 Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Mr. Chairman spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.  
 Mr. Hadyn Rhynd spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.  
 Mr. Hadyn Rhynd spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

On the motion of Hon. W. A. Abrahams, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, the Chairman reported progress to Mr. Speaker, who resumed the Chair and asked leave to sit again.

#### **SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. W. A. Abrahams, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, the Sitting was suspended at 12.00 p.m. to 12.10 p.m.

#### **RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.  
 The House reverted to Standing Finance Committee.

#### **HEAD 31 (resumed)**

Hon. D. I. Ishmael spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.  
 Mr. Mark Hill spoke.  
 Hon. D. I. Ishmael spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.  
 Hon. A. R. Forde spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.  
 Mrs. Patricia Rowe Seale (Consultant, Chief Information Security Officer) spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.  
 Hon. A. R. Forde spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.  
 Mrs. Patricia Rowe Seale spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.  
 Ms. T. Trotman spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.  
 Mr. Mark Bryce (CEO, GovTech) spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.  
 Ms. T. Trotman spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.  
 Ms. T. Trotman spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.  
 Ms. T. Trotman spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.

Dr. the Hon. R. O. Springer spoke.

Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.

Ms. Chelceé Brathwaite (Consultant Programme Manager, AMINI) spoke.

Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.

Dr. the Hon. R. O. Springer spoke.

Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.

Mr. Mark Hill spoke.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, the Chairman reported progress to Mr. Speaker, who resumed the Chair and asked leave to sit again.

#### **SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, the Sitting was suspended at 1.22 p.m. to 2.35 p.m.

#### **RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The House reverted to Standing Finance Committee.

#### **HEAD 31 (resumed)**

Mr. D. G. Sutherland spoke.

Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.

Mr. Mark Bryce spoke.

Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.

Mr. D. G. Sutherland spoke.

Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.

Mr. D. G. Sutherland spoke.

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.

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

Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.

Mr. Mark Hill spoke.

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

Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.

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

Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.

Mr. Mark Hill spoke.

Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.

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

Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.

Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls spoke.

Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.

Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls spoke.

Mr. Chairman spoke.

Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.

Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls spoke.

Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.

Ms. Tamaisha E. Harvey spoke.

Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.

Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.

Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.

Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.

Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.

Mr. Mark Hill spoke.  
 Mr. Hadyn Rhynd spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Mr. Mark Hill spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.  
 Ms. Je-Melia Moseley (Executive Director, Supernova Lab) spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.  
 Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.  
 Mr. D. G. Sutherland spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.  
 Mr. D. G. Sutherland spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, the Chairman reported progress to Mr. Speaker, who resumed the Chair and asked leave to sit again.

#### **SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, the Sitting was suspended at 5.08 p.m. to 5.15 p.m.

#### **RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.  
 The House reverted to Standing Finance Committee.

#### **HEAD 31 (resumed)**

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.  
 Mr. Mark Hill spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Dr. the Hon. R. O. Springer spoke.  
 Mr. Hadyn Rhynd spoke.  
 Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid spoke in reply.  
 Head 31 was passed.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, the Chairman reported progress to Mr. Speaker, who resumed the Chair and asked leave to sit again.

**SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, the Sitting was suspended to Friday, 13th March, 2026 at 10.00 a.m.

At 5.46 p.m. Mr. Speaker suspended the Sitting.

**RESUMPTION (Friday, 13th March, 2026)**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

**ORDERS OF THE DAY (recommitted)**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, Standing Order 66 (1) was suspended for the remainder of the Sitting.

The House reverted to Standing Finance Committee.

**ORDER NO. 1****ANNUAL ESTIMATES 2026-2027 (resumed)****HEAD 51 – MINISTRY OF SPORTS AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - \$56,660,305.00**

The Officers of the Ministry joined the Minister in the Well of the House.

The Chairman spoke.

Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke and moved, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, that Head 51 stand part.

Dr. W. F. Duguid spoke.

Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.

Mr. Nicholas Mattias (Maintenance Supervisor) spoke.

Dr. W. F. Duguid spoke.

Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.

Mr. Nicholas Mattias spoke.

Dr. W. F. Duguid spoke.

Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.

Mr. Nicholas Mattias spoke.

Dr. W. F. Duguid spoke.

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

Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.

Mr. Nicholas Mattias spoke.

Mr. John Hollingsworth (Chief Community Development Officer) spoke.

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

Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.

Mr. Nicholas Mattias spoke.

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

Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.

Ms. Kay Hinds (Deputy Chief Community Development Officer) spoke.

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

His Honour N. G. H. Rowe spoke.

Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.

His Honour N. G. H. Rowe spoke.

Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.

Mr. Nicholas Mattias spoke.

Hon. A. R. Forde spoke.

Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.

Hon. A. R. Forde spoke.

Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke.

Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.

Mr. Nicholas Mattias spoke.

Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke.

Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.

Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke.

Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.

Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Mr. Stephen Rowe (Sports Development Officer) spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Ms. Kay Hinds spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Mr. John Hollingsworth spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls spoke.  
 Mr. John Hollingsworth spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Mrs. Joy Adamson (Permanent Secretary) spoke.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Dr. W. F. Duguid, the Chairman reported progress to Mr. Speaker, who resumed the Chair, and asked leave to sit again.

#### **SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael, the Sitting was suspended at 12.09 p.m. to 12.20 p.m.

#### **RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.  
 The House reverted to Standing Finance Committee.

#### **HEAD 51 (resumed)**

Mr. Chairman spoke.  
 Dr. S. E. Browne spoke.  
 Mr. Nicholas Mattias spoke.  
 Dr. S. E. Browne spoke.  
 Mr. Nicholas Mattias spoke.  
 Ms. T. N. S.-A. Moore spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Ms. T. N. S.-A. Moore spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Mr. Nicholas Mattias spoke.  
 Ms. T. N. S.-A. Moore spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Mr. Nicholas Mattias spoke.  
 Ms. T. N. S.-A. Moore spoke.  
 Dr. the Hon. R. O. Springer spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Ms. Jessica Parris (Head of Community Independence Celebrations Secretariat (CICS)) spoke.  
 Dr. the Hon. R. O. Springer spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Ms. Jessica Parris spoke.  
 Dr. the Hon. R. O. Springer spoke.

Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Mr. Neil Murrell (Director of National Sports Council) spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, the Chairman reported progress to Mr. Speaker, who resumed the Chair, and asked leave to sit again.

#### **SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, the Sitting was suspended at 1.16 p.m. to 2.30 p.m.

#### **RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.  
 The House reverted to Standing Finance Committee, Mr. P. R. Phillips in the Chair.

#### **ORDER NO. 1 (resumed)**

#### **HEAD 51 (resumed)**

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Mr. Neil Murrell spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Mr. Dale Clarke (Officer responsible for Road Tennis) spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Mr. Dale Clarke spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Ms. T. Trotman spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Mr. John Hollingsworth spoke.  
 Ms. T. Trotman spoke.  
 Mr. John Hollingsworth spoke.  
 Ms. T. Trotman spoke.  
 Mr. John Hollingsworth spoke.  
 Ms. T. Trotman spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Mr. D. G. Sutherland spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Mr. Neil Murrell spoke.  
 Mr. D. G. Sutherland spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Mr. D. G. Sutherland spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Miss Sabrina Worrell-Wood (Asst. Accountant, NSC) spoke.

Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Mr. D. G. Sutherland spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Mr. Nicholas Mattias spoke.  
 Mr. D. G. Sutherland spoke.  
 Hon. Miss K. S. McConney spoke.  
 Mr. Neil Murrell spoke.  
 Mr. Nicholas Mattias spoke.  
 Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight spoke.  
 Ms. Kay Hinds spoke.  
 Mr. John Hollingsworth spoke.  
 Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Mr. John Hollingsworth spoke.  
 Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Hon. T. A. Prescod spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Mr. Neil Murrell spoke.  
 Hon. T. A. Prescod spoke.  
 Hon. I. A. Weir spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Mr. Emmerson Bascombe (Deputy Director, NSC) spoke.  
 Hon. I. A. Weir spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Hon. I. A. Weir spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Hon. I. A. Weir spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Mr. Stephen Rowe spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls spoke.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, the Chairman reported progress to Mr. Speaker, who resumed the Chair, and asked leave to sit again.

#### **SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey the Sitting was suspended at 4.37 p.m. to 4.50 p.m.

#### **RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.  
 The House reverted to Standing Finance Committee.

#### **HEAD 51 (resumed)**

Dr. W. F. Duguid spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Mr. Stephen Rowe spoke.  
 Dr. W. F. Duguid spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.

Mr. Stephen Rowe spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Mr. Nicholas Mattias spoke.  
 Dr. W. F. Duguid spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Ms. Jessica Parris spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Mr. D. G. Sutherland spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Mr. John Hollingsworth spoke.  
 Mr. D. G. Sutherland spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Hon. A. R. Forde spoke.  
 Mr. John Hollingsworth spoke.  
 Hon. A. R. Forde spoke.  
 Mr. John Hollingsworth spoke.  
 Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Mr. Neil Murrell spoke.  
 Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke.  
 Mr. Neil Murrell spoke.  
 Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.  
 Mr. John Hollingsworth spoke.  
 Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke.  
 Mr. John Hollingsworth spoke.  
 Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke in reply.  
 Head 51 was passed.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, the Chairman reported progress to Mr. Speaker, who resumed the Chair, and asked leave to sit again.

**PAPERS (recommitted)**

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw by command laid:

- Consolidated Financial Statements for the Barbados Port Inc. for the year ended 31st March, 2025.

**GOVERNMENT NOTICES (recommitted)**

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw gave notice of:

- Resolution that the Fiscal Framework 2026/2027 to 2028/2029 be debated in Parliament and that any recommendations made in respect of the Fiscal Framework 2026/2027 to 2028/2029 be considered by Cabinet.

**PRIVATE MEMBERS' NOTICES (recommitted)**

Ms. T. N. S.-A. Moore gave notice of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS the world of work has undergone significant transformation, with increasing numbers of Barbadians earning their livelihood through short-term contracts, subcontracting arrangements, platform work, freelance engagement, digital work and other non-standard forms of employment;

AND WHEREAS these workers contribute labour, value and productivity to the development of Barbados, yet remain exposed to insecurity because social protection is too often treated as attaching to a job title or contractual label rather than to the worker as a person;

AND WHEREAS the principle that social security must follow the worker and not the job, is essential to ensuring fairness, resilience and national social stability;

AND WHEREAS a Portable Benefits framework, anchored in the National Insurance Social Security Service (NISS), would require every employer, contractor, platform, agency, engager or other beneficiary of labour to make contributions on behalf of every worker for the duration of that engagement to ensure continuity of protection regardless of the form or length of work;

AND WHEREAS such a reform must be national in reach and must therefore extend to all workers including gig workers, construction workers, retail workers, transport workers, tourism workers, care workers, domestic workers, agricultural workers, creative workers and participants in the wider digital economy;

AND WHEREAS this reform will prove vital in protecting young workers building a future, parents who survive by piecing together multiple incomes, and older workers who should not reach pensionable age only to discover that years of labour did not translate into the contributions required for dignity in retirement;

AND WHEREAS recognising that widening participation in the National Insurance Social Security Service will strengthen the system, deepen compliance and close long-standing loopholes that have nurtured lack of accountability and responsibility;

AND WHEREAS accepting that the effective implementation of Portable Benefits would require supporting measures including clear remittance rules; practical digital systems for payment, tracking and reconciliation; stronger inspection, monitoring and enforcement; proportionate penalties for non-compliance; and a sustained programme of public education and sensitisation to ensure that workers and engagers alike understand their rights, duties and responsibilities.

BE IT RESOLVED that this Honourable House:

- (a) supports the establishment of a National Portable Benefits framework through the National Insurance Social Security Service that ensures that social security follows the worker, and not the job;
- (b) calls for the development and implementation of the supporting administrative, technological and enforcement measures necessary to ensure that the framework is effective, equitable and accessible;
- (c) commits Barbados, in its fifth year as a Republic, to affirming that Portable Benefits constitute an act of nation-building and a people-centred investment in fairness, resilience and social stability, so that no worker is rendered invisible, and no worker is left behind.

#### **SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw who spoke, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, the Sitting was suspended at 5.50 p.m. to Monday, 16th March, 2026 at 3.30 p.m.

**RESUMPTION (Monday, 16th March, 2026)**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The House reverted to Standing Finance Committee.

**ORDER NO. 1 (resumed)****ANNUAL ESTIMATES 2026-2027****HEAD 10 – OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT (as amended) - \$2,402,513.00**

On the motion of Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, Head 10 was passed.

**HEAD 12 – PARLIAMENT - \$17,190,950.00**

On the motion of Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, Head 12 was passed.

**HEAD 13 – PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (as amended) - \$354,990,210.00**

On the motion of Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, seconded by Hon. K. D. Symmonds, Head 13 was passed.

**HEAD 14 – MINISTRY OF FINANCE (as amended) – \$325,935,458.00**

On the motion of Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, seconded by Hon. K. D. Symmonds, Head 14 was passed.

**HEAD 15 – CABINET OFFICE (as amended) – \$39,947,564.00**

On the motion of Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, Head 15 was passed.

**HEAD 17 – OMBUDSMAN – \$897,484.00**

On the motion of Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, Head 17 was passed.

**HEAD 18 – AUDIT – \$1,770,823.00**

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, Head 18 was passed.

**HEAD 19 – TREASURY – \$54,000,000.00**

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, Head 19 was passed.

**HEAD 20 – MINISTRY OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND TALENT DEVELOPMENT (as amended) – \$11,018,581.00**

On the motion of Hon. Miss K. S. McConney, seconded by Hon. K. D. Symmonds, Head 20 was passed.

**HEAD 27 – (recommitted) MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORT (as amended) – \$31,072,453.00**

On the motion of Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill, seconded by Hon. K. D. Symmonds, Head 27 was passed.

**HEAD 29 – DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS – \$2,658,438.00**

On the motion of Hon. W. A. Abrahams, seconded by Hon. K. D. Symmonds, Head 29 was passed.

**HEAD 30 – ATTORNEY GENERAL (as amended) – \$18,508,613.00**

On the motion of Hon. W. A. Abrahams, seconded by Hon. K. D. Symmonds, Head 30 was passed.

**HEAD 31 – (recommitted) MINISTRY OF INNOVATION, INDUSTRY, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (as amended) – \$159,679,120.00**

On the motion of Hon. K. D. Symmonds, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, Head 31 was passed.

**HEAD 32 – (recommitted) MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND FOREIGN TRADE (as amended) – \$79,791,720.00**

On the motion of Hon. K. D. Symmonds, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, Head 32 was passed.

**HEAD 33 – MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND INFORMATION (as amended) – \$84,169,247.00**

On the motion of Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, Head 33 was passed.

**HEAD 35 – MINISTRY OF PEOPLE EMPOWERMENT AND ELDER AFFAIRS (as amended) – \$145,694,080.00**

On the motion of Hon. A. R. Forde, seconded by Hon. K. D. Symmonds, Head 35 was passed.

**HEAD 39 – MINISTRY OF LEGAL AFFAIRS AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE (as amended) – \$190,686,812.00**

On the motion of Hon. M. A. Lashley seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, Head 39 was passed.

**HEAD 40 – MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND WORKS (amended) – \$159,875,427.00**

On the motion of Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, seconded by Hon. K. D. Symmonds Head 40 was passed.

**HEAD 41 – (recommitted) MINISTRY OF ENERGY, BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT  
AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS (as amended) – \$80,825,769.00**

On the motion of Hon. K. D. Symmonds, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, Head 41 was passed.

**HEAD 44 – MINISTRY OF PRIVATE AND PUBLIC INVESTMENT (as amended)  
– \$61,275,006.00**

On the motion of Hon. I. A. Weir seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael, Head 44 was passed.

**HEAD 50 – POST OFFICE – \$13,699,730.00**

On the motion of Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, Head 50 was passed.

**HEAD 51 – (recommitted) MINISTRY OF SPORTS AND COMMUNITY  
EMPOWERMENT (as amended) – \$63,470,918.00**

On the motion of Hon. C. McD. Griffith, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, Head 51 was passed.

**HEAD 59 – MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, NATIONAL BEAUTIFICATION  
AND FISHERIES (as amended) – \$111,433,182.00**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, Head 59 was passed.

**HEAD 63 – MINISTRY OF TECHNOLOGICAL AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING  
(as amended) – \$270,485,620.00**

On the motion of Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams Head 63 was passed.

**HEAD 83 – MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND NUTRITIONAL  
SECURITY (as amended) – \$94,252,383.00**

On the motion of Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight, seconded by Hon. K. D. Symmonds, Head 83 was passed.

**HEAD 84 – (recommitted) MINISTRY OF LABOUR, SOCIAL SECURITY AND THE THIRD  
SECTOR (as amended) – \$16,412,191.00**

On the motion of Hon. C. E. Jordan, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, Head 84 was passed.

**HEAD 86 – MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND WELLNESS (as amended) – \$395,292,583.00**

On the motion of Hon. D. I. Ishmael, seconded by Hon. K. D. Symmonds, Head 86 was passed.

**HEAD 93 – (recommitted) MINISTRY OF HOUSING, LANDS AND  
MAINTENANCE (as amended) – \$124,510,473.00**

On the motion of Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, Head 93 was passed.

**HEAD 96 – (recommitted) MINISTRY OF EDUCATION TRANSFORMATION  
(as amended) – \$285,429,114.00**

On the motion of Hon. C. J. Blackman, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, Head 96 was passed. Clauses 1, 2 (as amended) 3, 4 and the Schedule (as amended) were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn, seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael.

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn, seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael the Chairman reported to the Speaker who resumed the Chair, the passing of the Bill in Committee with Amendments.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

**BUDGETARY PROPOSALS 2026 (Pursuant to Standing Order 63 (5))**

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

**SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Sitting was suspended at 7.05 p.m. to 9.30 a.m, Tuesday, 17th March, 2026.

**RESUMPTION (Tuesday, 17th March, 2026)**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

**PAPERS (recommitted)**

Hon. Miss K. S. McConney by command laid:

- Fiscal Risk Statement 2026
- Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements of the Barbados Port Inc. for the year ended March 31, 2024
- Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements of the Hotels and Resorts Limited for the year ended March 31, 2025

**GOVERNMENT BUSINESS (resumed)**  
**ORDER NO. 1 (resumed)**  
**APPROPRIATION BILL, 2026**

Mr. P. R. Phillips spoke.  
 His Honour N. G. H. Rowe spoke.  
 Hon. Miss K. S. McConney spoke.  
 Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke.

**SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Sitting was suspended at 11.40 a.m. to 11.50 a.m.

**RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

**ORDER NO. 1 (resumed)**

Mr. R. R. Brathwaite spoke.  
 Hon. C. J. Blackman spoke.

**SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, the Sitting was suspended at 12.45 p.m. to 2.00 p.m.

**RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

**ORDER NO. 1 (resumed)**

Ms. T. Trotman spoke.  
 Hon. D. I. Ishmael spoke.  
 Hon. T. A. Prescod spoke.  
 Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight spoke.  
 Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs spoke.  
 Hon. M. A. Lashley spoke.

**SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. W. A. Abrahams, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey the Sitting was suspended at 5.11 p.m. to 5.20 p.m.

**RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

**ORDER NO. 1 (resumed)**

Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.  
 Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls spoke.

**SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, the Sitting was suspended at 7.55 p.m. to 9.30 a.m., Wednesday, 18th March, 2026.

**RESUMPTION (Wednesday, 18th March, 2026)**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

**GOVERNMENT BUSINESS (resumed)**

**ORDER NO. 1 (resumed)**

**APPROPRIATION BILL, 2026 (resumed)**

Dr. the Hon. R. O. Springer spoke.  
 Dr. S. E. Browne spoke.  
 Mr. D. G. Sutherland spoke.  
 Dr. W. F. Duguid spoke.  
 Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands spoke.

**SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael, the Sitting was suspended at 1.05 p.m. to 2.00 p.m.

**RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

**ORDER NO. 1 (resumed)**  
**APPROPRIATION BILL, 2026 (resumed)**

Hon. I. A. Weir spoke.  
 Hon. A. R. Forde spoke.  
 Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke.  
 Hon. Ms. M. K.-A. Caddle spoke.  
 Ms. T. N. S.-A. Moore spoke.  
 Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.  
 Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke.  
 Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley spoke.

**SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, the Sitting was suspended at 7.30 p.m. to 7.35 p.m.

**RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

**GOVERNMENT NOTICES (recommitted)**

Hon. R. R. Straughn gave notice of:

- Resolution to grant the sum of TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-NINE MILLION, SEVEN HUNDRED AND SIXTY-SEVEN THOUSAND, FOUR HUNDRED AND THIRTY-THREE DOLLARS from the Consolidated Fund and to place it at the disposal of the Government to supplement the Estimates 2025-2026 as shown in the Supplementary Estimates No. 1 2025-2026 which form the Schedule to the Resolution.
- Resolution to grant the sum of TWO HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-TWO MILLION, SIX HUNDRED AND NINETY-FIVE THOUSAND AND SIXTY-FIVE DOLLARS from the Consolidated Fund and to place it at the disposal of the Government to supplement the Estimates 2025-2026 as shown in the Supplementary Estimates No. 2 2025-2026 which form the Schedule to the Resolution.

**GOVERNMENT BUSINESS (resumed)**

**ORDER NO. 1 (resumed)**  
**APPROPRIATION BILL, 2026 (resumed)**

Hon. R. R. Straughn spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn, seconded by Hon. K. D. Symmonds the Bill was read a third time.

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, the Bill was passed and cited.

**ORDER NO. 4**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, the House resolved itself into Standing Finance Committee, Mr. P. R. Phillips in the Chair on the Money Resolutions following:

**SCHEDULE**  
**Supplementary Estimates 2025 - 2026 No. 1**

HEAD	Code Number	Provision in Approved Estimates 2025 – 2026	Provision in Supplementary Estimates No. 1	Supplementary Provision Required
		Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure
HEAD 11 – MINISTRY OF PUBLIC SERVICE <b>Program 050: Public Service</b> Subprogram 0079: Policy and Staffing <i>Account Code: 212 – Operating Expenses</i>	110500079	\$	\$	\$
Subprogram 7025: General Management and Coordination Services <i>Account Code: 226 – Professional Services</i>		32,750		383,100
		227,500		2,966,100
HEAD 12 – PARLIAMENT <b>Program 030: Parliament</b> Subprogram 0030: Management Commission of Parliament <i>Account Code: 212 – Operating Expenses</i>	120300030			2,563,806
<i>Account Code: 416 – Capital Grants to Public Institutions</i>		1,585,000		4,172,939
HEAD 13 – PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE <b>Program 041: National Defence and Security Preparedness</b> Subprogram: 0043 Barbados Defence Force <i>Account Code: 416 – Capital Grants to Public Institutions</i>	130410043			31,132,453
		12,154,657		

SCHEDULE – *Cont'd*Supplementary Estimates 2025 – 2026 No. 1 – *Cont'd*

HEAD	Code Number	Provision in Approved Estimates 2025 – 2026	Provision in Supplementary Estimates No. 1	Supplementary Provision Required
		Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure
		\$	\$	\$
HEAD 13 – PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE – <i>Cont'd</i>				
Subprogram 0101: Anti-Corruption Unit	130410101			
<i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	3,620,000		217,889	
<b>Program 276: Culture</b>				
Subprogram: 0208 CARIFESTA	132760208			
<i>Account Code: 212 – Operating Expenses</i>		4,000,000		31,741,811
Subprogram: 7005 General Management & Coordination Services	132767005			
<i>Account Code: 212 – Operating Expenses</i>		3,899,559		710,500
HEAD 14 – MINISTRY OF FINANCE				
<b>Program 040: Direction and Policy Formulation Services</b>				
Subprogram: 7010 General Management & Coordination Services	140407010			
<i>Account Code: 211 – Maintenance of Property</i>		6,427,545		896,802
<i>Account Code: 226 – Professional Services</i>		7,154,408		1,239,300
Subprogram: 0022 Contingencies	140400022			
<i>Account Code: 230 – Contingencies</i>		500,000		7,500,000
<b>Program 116: Supplies and Purchasing Management</b>				
Subprogram: 0192 Government Procurement Department	141160192			
<i>Account Code: 212 – Other Operating Expenses</i>		180,900		340,560
HEAD 15 – THE CABINET OFFICE				
<b>Program 071: Constitutional and Statutory Authorities</b>				
Subprogram: 0073 Electoral and Boundaries Commission	150710073			
<i>Account Code: 212 – Other Operating Expenses</i>		295,850		2,000,000
<b>Program 070: Cabinet Secretariat</b>				

SCHEDULE – *Cont'd*Supplementary Estimates 2025 – 2026 No. 1 – *Cont'd*

HEAD	Code Number	Provision in Approved Estimates 2025 – 2026	Provision in Supplementary Estimates No. 1	Supplementary Provision Required
		Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure
		\$	\$	\$
HEAD 15 – THE CABINET OFFICE – <i>Cont'd</i> Subprogram: 7020 General Management and Coordination Services <i>Account Code: 752 – Machinery and Equipment</i>	150707020	84,478		143,383
<b>Program 072: Office of the Head of the Public Service</b> Subprogram: 0222 Mission Transformation <i>Account Code: 226 – Professional Services</i>	150720222	723,014		400,000
HEAD 27 – MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND INTER – NATIONAL TRANSPORT <b>Program 333: International Transport</b> Subprogram: 7065 General Management and Coordination Services <i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institutions</i> <i>Account Code: 416 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	273337065			1,380,000
<b>Program 335: Air Transport Infrastructure</b> Subprogram: 0341 Department of Air Navigation Services <i>Account Code: 226 – Professional Services</i> <i>Account Code: 752 – Machinery and Equipment</i>	273350341	2,114,000 758,000		807,026 3,958,500
<b>Program 336: Development of Maritime Facilities</b> Subprogram: 0342 Regional Shipping Services Development <i>Account Code: 226 – Professional Services</i>	273360342	545,299		67,328

SCHEDULE – *Cont'd*Supplementary Estimates 2025 – 2026 No. 1 – *Cont'd*

HEAD	Code Number	Provision in Approved Estimates 2025 – 2026	Provision in Supplementary Estimates No. 1	Supplementary Provision Required
		Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure
		\$	\$	\$
HEAD 29 – OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS <b>Program 230: Administration of Justice</b> Subprogram: 0230 Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions <i>Account Code: 756 – Vehicles</i>	292300230	50,000		157,926
HEAD 30 – THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL <b>Program 040: Direction and Policy Formulation Services</b> Subprogram: 0240 Forensic Services <i>Account Code: 211 – Maintenance of Property</i>	300400240	,180,525		612,000
<i>Account Code: 752 – Machinery and Equipment</i> Subprogram: 7075 General Management and Coordination Services <i>Account Code: 210 – Supplies and Materials</i>	300407075	1,380,000		2,389,016
<i>Account Code: 211 – Maintenance of Property</i> <i>Account Code: 212 – Operating Expenses</i>		178,442		35,793
<i>Account code: 226 – Professional Services</i>		292,611		1,820
<i>Account Code: 317 – Subscriptions</i>		959,936		492,514
<i>Account Code: 752 – Machinery and Equipment</i>		1,571,358		296,514
<i>Account Code: 756 – Vehicles</i>		1,577,323		86,868
<b>Program 240: Legal Services</b> Subprogram: 0246 Parliamentary Counsel Services <i>Account Code: 226 – Professional Services</i>	302400246	50,200		22,170
<b>Program 241: Legal Registration Services</b> Subprogram: 0247 Registration Department <i>Account Code: 211 – Maintenance of Property</i>	302410247	-		84,590
		1,100,000		371,300
		2,738,926		525,717

SCHEDULE – *Cont'd*Supplementary Estimates 2025 – 2026 No. 1 – *Cont'd*

HEAD	Code Number	Provision in Approved Estimates 2025 – 2026	Provision in Supplementary Estimates No. 1	Supplementary Provision Required
		Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure
		\$	\$	\$
HEAD 30 – THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL – <i>Cont'd</i>				
<b>Program 242: Administration of Justice</b>				
Subprogram: 0248 Supreme Court	302420248			
Account Code: 751 – Buildings		-		1,185,000
Account Code: 752 – Machinery and Equipment		531,979		965,204
Account Code: 753 – Furniture and Fixtures		39,000		315,000
Account Code: 755 – Computer Software		30,000		1,158,000
<b>Program 244: Police Services</b>				
Subprogram: 0255 Police Headquarters	302440255			
Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments		2,413,729		600,000
Account Code: 206 – Travel		833,000		100,000
Account Code: 755 – Computer Software		4,301,578		345,100
Subprogram: 0256 General Police Services	302440256			
Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments		25,820,652		2,096,065
Account Code: 207 – Utilities		4,481,358		4,681,718
Account Code: 210 – Supplies and Materials		1,577,648		200,000
Account Code: 212 – Operating Expenses		4,601,739		2,310,769
Subprogram: 0257 Regional Police Training Centre	302440257			
Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments		100,985		60,000
Account Code: 212 – Operating Expenses		699,500		250,000
Account Code: 226 – Professional Services		70,000		175,000
Subprogram: 0258 Police Band	302440258			
Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments		238,368		280,000

SCHEDULE – *Cont'd*Supplementary Estimates 2025 – 2026 No. 1 – *Cont'd*

HEAD	Code Number	Provision in Approved Estimates 2025 – 2026	Provision in Supplementary Estimates No. 1	Supplementary Provision Required
		Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure
		\$	\$	\$
HEAD 31 – MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY, INNOVATION, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY <b>Program 040: Direction and Policy Formulation</b> Subprogram: 0471 Support for Private Sector Trade Teams <i>Account Code: 315 – Grants to Non-Profit Organisations</i>	310400471	88,000		88,000
<b>Program 043: Application of Modern Information Technology</b> Subprogram: 0392 Digital Infrastructure <i>Account Code: 752 – Machinery and Equipment</i>	310430392	2,181,025		5,458,037
<b>Program 084: Establishment of a GovTech</b> Subprogram: 0311 Establishment of GovTech Agency <i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Non-Profit Organizations</i> <i>Account Code: 416 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	310840311	8,231,281		5,342,720
<b>Program 460: Investment, Industrial and Export Development</b> Subprogram: 0462 Barbados Investment and Development Corporation <i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Non-Profit Organizations</i> <i>Account Code: 416 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	314600462	6,852,253 4,352,253		2,481,814 11,946,802

SCHEDULE – *Cont'd*Supplementary Estimates 2025 – 2026 No. 1 – *Cont'd*

HEAD	Code Number	Provision in Approved Estimates 2025 – 2026	Provision in Supplementary Estimates No. 1	Supplementary Provision Required
		Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure
		\$	\$	\$
HEAD 32 – MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND FOREIGN TRADE <b>Program 330: Direction, Formulation and Implementation of Foreign Policy</b>				
Subprogram: 7080 General Management, Coordination and Overseas Mission	323307080			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		378,771		215,000
<i>Account Code: 212 – Operating Expenses</i>		1,333,740		1,546,963
Subprogram: 0060 Overseas Missions - United Kingdom	323300060			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		1,717,988		215,810
Subprogram: 0061 Overseas Missions - Washington D.C	323300061			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		1,983,633		296,170
Subprogram: 0062 Overseas Missions - Canada	323300062			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		903,781		90,180
Subprogram: 0063 Overseas Missions - Brussels	323300063			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		1,155,452		175,000
Subprogram: 0064 Overseas Missions - Venezuela	323300064			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		477,827		91,910
Subprogram: 0067 Overseas Missions - Toronto	323300067			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		1,054,386		145,495
Subprogram: 0068 Overseas Missions - Miami	323300068			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		1,780,361		87,305

SCHEDULE – *Cont'd*Supplementary Estimates 2025 – 2026 No. 1 – *Cont'd*

HEAD	Code Number	Provision in Approved Estimates 2025 – 2026	Provision in Supplementary Estimates No. 1	Supplementary Provision Required
		Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure
		\$	\$	\$
HEAD 32 – MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND FOREIGN TRADE – <i>Cont'd</i>				
Subprogram: 0070 Overseas Missions - Brazil	323300070			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		557,549		46,120
Subprogram: 0075 Overseas Missions - China	323300075			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		786,061		102,200
Subprogram: 0076 Overseas Missions - Cuba	323300076			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		499,066		48,485
Subprogram: 0077 Overseas Missions - Panama	323300077			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		802,134		61,965
Subprogram: 0078 Overseas Missions - Ghana	323300078			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		1,073,262		146,470
Subprogram: 0094 Overseas Missions - United Arab Emirates	323300094			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		716,961		133,040
Subprogram: 0099 Overseas Missions - Ireland	323300099			
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>		1,313,898		66,870
HEAD 33 – MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND INFORMATION				
<b>Program 040: Direction and Policy Formulation</b>				
Subprogram: 0200 Subscriptions and Contributions	330400200			
<i>Account Code: 317 – Subscriptions</i>		526,517		261,162
<b>Program 040: Direction and Policy Formulation</b>				
Subprogram: 0241 National Council on Substance Abuse	330400241			
<i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>		2,935,723		100,000

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		\$	\$	\$
HEAD 33 – MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND INFORMATION – <i>Cont'd</i>				
Subprogram: 7156 General Management and Coordination Services <i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	330407156			9,435,328
<b>Program 167: National Meteorological Services</b> Subprogram: 0180 Meteorological Department Services <i>Account Code: 212 – Operating Expenses</i>	331670180	263,000		530,000
<b>Program 200: National Emergency Preparedness</b> Subprogram: 0206 Department of Emergency Management <i>Account Code: 212 – Operating Expenses</i>	332000206	1,729,133		2,085,625
<b>Program 243: Corrective &amp; Rehabilitative Services</b> Subprogram: 0252 Prisons Department <i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i> <i>Account Code: 752 – Machinery and Equipment</i>	332430252	2,996,133		662,058
		565,892		3,146,771

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		\$	\$	\$
HEAD 35 – MINISTRY OF PEOPLE EMPOWERMENT AND ELDER AFFAIRS <b>Program 423: Personal Social Delivery Program</b> Subprogram: 0427 Welfare Department	354230427			
<i>Account Code: 103 – Employers Contributions</i>		83,153		267,843
<i>Account Code: 313 – Subsidies</i>		4,000,000		1,580,000
Subprogram: 0435 National Disability Unit	354230435			
<i>Account Code: 212 – Operating Expenses</i>		261,175		300,000
<i>Account Code: 315 – Grants to Non - Profit Organizations</i>		525,000		75,000
<i>Account Code: 756 – Vehicles</i>				62,000
Subprogram: 0594 Social Empowerment Agency	354230594			
<i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>		100		6,648,000
HEAD 40 – MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND WORKS <b>Program 510: Road Networks Services</b> Subprogram: 0495 Tenantry Roads	405100495			
<i>Account Code: 785 – Assets Under Construction</i>		5,700,000		1,000,000
Subprogram: 0498 Road Rehabilitation	405100498			
<i>Account Code: 785 – Assets Under Construction</i>		13,000,000		8,730,000
Subprogram: 0511 Highway Construction & Maintenance Services	405100511			
<i>Account Code: 211 – Maintenance of Property</i>		13,930,560		10,035,000
<i>Account Code: 785 – Assets Under Construction</i>		13,695,580		16,714,569
Subprogram: 0513 Residential Roads Construction	405100513			
<i>Account Code: 785 – Assets Under Construction</i>		3,000,000		5,000,000

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		Other	Other Expenditure	Other
		\$	\$	\$
HEAD 40 – MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND WORKS – <i>Cont'd</i> <b>Program 514: Government Vehicles Services</b> Subprogram: 0520 Purchase of General Purpose Equipment <i>Account Code: 752 – Machinery and Equipment</i>	405140520	448,000		3,974,100
<b>Program 515: Electrical Engineering Services</b> Subprogram: 0521 Government Electrical Engineering's Department <i>Account Code: 752 – Machinery and Equipment</i>	405150521	240,000		6,565,000
<b>Program 517: Transport</b> Subprogram: 0527 Transport Board Subsidy <i>Account Code: 313 – Subsidies</i>	405170527	12,167,000		11,967,188
HEAD 82 – MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATIONAL BEAUTIFICATION <b>Program 163: Fisheries Management and Developement</b> Subprogram: 0158 Beryl Emergency Response and Recovery Project <i>Account Code: 208 – Rental of Property</i> <i>Account Code: 210 – Supplies and Materials</i> <i>Account Code: 226 – Professional Services</i> <i>Account Code: 785 – Assets Under Construction</i>	821630158			50,000 20,000 250,000 9,668,223

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		\$	\$	\$
HEAD 82 – MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATIONAL BEAUTIFICATION – <i>Cont'd</i> <b>Program 400: Environmental Health Services</b> Subprogram: 0372 Sanitation Service Authority <i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institutions</i> <i>Account Code: 416 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	824000372			9,267,762 5,995,819
<b>Program 650: Preservation and Conservation</b> Subprogram: 7095 General Management and Coordination Services <i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>	826507095	182,393		600,000
<b>Program 651: Primary Environmental Care Services</b> Subprogram: 0411 Environmental Protection Department <i>Account Code: 212 – Operating Expenses</i>	826510411	344,626		2,088,000

and on his motion, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey Head 11 – Ministry of Public Service – \$3,449,200.00 was passed.

**HEAD 12 – PARLIAMENT – \$6,736,745.00**

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, Head 12 was passed.

**HEAD 13 – PRIME MINISTER’S OFFICE – \$65,802,653.00**

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn, seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael, Head 13 was passed.

**HEAD 14 – MINISTRY OF FINANCE – \$9,976,662.00**

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn, seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael Head 14 was passed.

**HEAD 15 – CABINET OFFICE – \$2,543,383.00**

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, Head 15 was passed.

**HEAD 27 – MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORT – \$22,694,903.00**

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn, seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael Head 27 was passed.

**HEAD 29 – OFFICE OF DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS – \$157,926.00**

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn, seconded by D. I. Ishmael, Head 29 was passed.

**HEAD 30 – OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL – \$19,640,157.00**

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, Head 30 was passed.

**HEAD 31 – MINISTRY OF INNOVATION, INDUSTRY, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY  
– \$30,317,373.00**

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, Head 31 was passed.

**HEAD 32 – MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND FOREIGN TRADE – \$3,468,983.00**

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn, seconded by Hon. K. D. Symmonds, Head 32 was passed.

**HEAD 33 – MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND INFORMATION – \$16,220,944.00**

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn, seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael, Head 33 was passed.

**HEAD 35 – MINISTRY OF PEOPLE EMPOWERMENT AND ELDER AFFAIRS – \$8,932,843.00**

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn, seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael, Head 35 was passed.

**HEAD 40 – MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND WORKS – \$63,985,857.00**

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn, seconded by Hon. K. D. Symmonds, Head 40 was passed.

**HEAD 82 – MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATIONAL BEAUTIFICATION  
– \$27,948,804.00**

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, Head 82 was passed.

## SCHEDULE

## Supplementary Estimates 2025 – 2026 No. 2

HEAD	Code Number	Provision in Approved Estimates 2025 – 2026	Provision in Supplementary Estimates No. 1–1	Supplementary Provision Required
		Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure
		\$	\$	\$
HEAD 83 – MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND NUTRITIONAL SECURITY <b>Program 160: Measures to Stimulate Increased Crop Production</b> Subprogram 0637: Barbados Agricultural Management Company <i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	831600637			12,140,272
<b>Program 164: General Support Services</b> Subprogram 0178: Incentives and Other Subsidies <i>Account Code: 314 – Grants to Individuals</i>	831640178	200,000		10,781,355
HEAD 84 – MINISTRY OF LABOUR, SOCIAL SECURITY AND THIRD SECTOR <b>Program 040: Direction and Policy Formulation</b> Subprogram 0156: Secretariat for Social Partnerships <i>Account Code: 212 – Operating Expenses</i>	840400156	100,000		169,000
<b>Program 120: Operations of NIS &amp; Social Security</b> Subprogram 0142: National Insurance Department <i>Account Code: 314 – Grants to Individuals</i>	841200142			1,696,400

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		\$	\$	\$
HEAD 84 – MINISTRY OF LABOUR, SOCIAL SECURITY AND THIRD SECTOR – <i>Cont'd</i> <b>Program 420: Employment and Labour Relations</b>				
Subprogram 0422: External Employment Services <i>Account Code: 212 – Operating Expenses</i>	844200422	724,950		221,662
Subprogram 0499: Employment Rights Tribunal <i>Account Code: 226 – Professional Services</i>	844200499	519,984		210,725
HEAD 86 – MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND WELLNESS <b>Program 040: Direction and Policy Formulation Services</b>				
Subprogram 7045: General Management and Coordination Services <i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>	860407045	6,058,978		2,259,920
<i>Account Code: 103 – National Insurance</i>		1,514,844		46,200
<i>Account Code: 210 – Supplies and Materials</i>		814,244		598,819
<i>Account Code: 226 – Professional Services</i>		3,971,055		1,015,000
Subprogram 0361: Technical Management Services <i>Account Code: 211 – Maintenance of Property</i>	860400361	1,140,000		800,000
Subprogram 0052: Non-Communicable Diseases <i>Account Code: 212 – Operating Expenses</i>	860400052	585,000		1,000,000
Subprogram 0378: Procurement for QEH (EIB) <i>Account Code: 212 – Operating Expenses</i>	860400378	13,000,000		4,238,579
<b>Program 361: Hospital Services</b>				
Subprogram 0375: Queen Elizabeth Hospital <i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institution</i>	863610375	120,933,248		64,933,877

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		\$	\$	\$
HEAD 86 - MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND WELLNESS – <i>Cont'd</i> Subprogram 0380: QEH Medical Aide Scheme <i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	863610380	2,000,000		1,602,769
Subprogram 0377: Psychiatric Hospital <i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i> <i>Account Code: 103 – Employers Contribution</i>	863610377	3,820,771		298,745
		2,400,321		191,003
HEAD 91 - MINISTRY OF YOUTH, SPORTS AND COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT <b>Program 425: Promotion of Sporting Achievement &amp; Fitness</b> Subprogram 0432: National Sports Council <i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institutions</i> <i>Account Code: 416 – Capital Grants to Public Institutions</i>	914250432			5,852,664
				6,350,087
HEAD 93 - MINISTRY OF HOUSING, LANDS AND MAINTENANCE <b>Program 520: Housing Program</b> Subprogram 0533: National Housing Corporation <i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institutions</i> <i>Account Code: 416 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	935200533	5,500,000		4,400,000
		3,000,000		1,800,000
HEAD 94 - MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS AND INVESTMENT <b>Program 332: Development of Tourism Potential</b> Subprogram 0347: Barbados Tourism Investment Inc <i>Account Code: 416 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	943320347	43,563,366		157,673,463

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		\$	\$	\$
HEAD 95 - MINISTRY OF TRAINING AND TERTIARY EDUCATION <b>Program 081: Development of Managerial and Personnel Skills</b> Subprogram 0081: Change Management Unit <i>Account Code: 226 – Professional Services</i>	950810081			277,522
HEAD 96 - MINISTRY OF EDUCATIONAL TRANSFORMATION <b>Program 040: Direction and Policy Formation</b> Subprogram 0313: Change Management Unit <i>Account Code: 226 – Professional Services</i>	960400313	1,549,409		1,700,000
Subprogram 7100: General Management and Coordination Services <i>Account Code: 226 – Professional Services</i>	960407100	1,086,939		1,188,367
<b>Program 271: Basic Educational Development</b> Subprogram 0278: Special Schools <i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	962710278	4,768,400		250,000
<b>Program 272: Secondary</b> Subprogram 0635: Oceana Innovation Hub <i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i> <i>Account Code: 226 – Professional Services</i>	962720635	18,677		490,636
<b>Program 272: Secondary</b> Subprogram 0645 Combermere School <i>Account Code: 751 – Property and Plant</i>	962720645	606,000		200,000
				308,000

and on his motion, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, HEAD 83 – Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Nutritional Security – \$22,921,627.00 was passed.

**HEAD 84 – MINISTRY OF LABOUR, SOCIAL SECURITY AND THIRD SECTOR  
– \$2,297,787.00**

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn, seconded by Hon. C. E. Jordan, Head 84 was passed.

**HEAD 86 – MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND WELLNESS – \$76,984,912.00**

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn, seconded by Hon. K. D. Symmonds, Head 86 was passed.

**HEAD 91 – MINISTRY OF YOUTH, SPORTS AND COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT  
– \$12,202,751.00**

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn, seconded by Hon. K. D. Symmonds, Head 91 was passed.

**HEAD 93 – MINISTRY OF HOUSING, LANDS AND MAINTENANCE – \$6,200,000.00**

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn, seconded by Hon. K. D. Symmonds, Head 93 was passed.

**HEAD 94 – MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS AND INVESTMENT – \$157,673,463.00**

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn, seconded by Hon. K. D. Symmonds, Head 94 was passed.

**HEAD 96 – MINISTRY OF EDUCATIONAL TRANSFORMATION – \$4,137,003.00**

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn, seconded by Hon. K. D. Symmonds, Head 96 was passed.

**HEAD 95 – MINISTRY OF TRAINING AND TERTIARY EDUCATION – \$277,522.00**

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn, seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael, Head 95 was passed.

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, the Chairman reported to Mr. Speaker who resumed the Chair, the passing of the money Resolution in Standing Finance Committee.

On the separate motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn, seconded by Hon. K. D. Symmonds, the Resolution was read a first and second time and agreed to.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw who spoke, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, the House was adjourned to Tuesday, 31st March, 2026 at 10.00 a.m.

At 8.45 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 \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

Speaker.

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