



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

The Honourable The Senate

The Senate met in the Senate Chamber, Parliament at the Parliament Buildings on Wednesday, the 22nd day of October, 2025, at 11.00 o'clock a.m.

PRESENT

His Honour Senator the Most Honourable R. R. Farley, FB, J.P., B.Sc., C.P.A., C.M.A. (*President*)
Her Honour Senator the Most Honourable Ms. H. E. Thompson, FB, LL.B., L.E.C., M.B.A. (Dist.), LL.M. (*Deputy President*)

Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins, B.Sc.,
M.Sc. (*Minister of Energy and Business
Development*) (*Leader of the Senate*)

Senator the Hon. J. W. D. Reid, B.A. (Hons.)
(*Minister of Innovation, Industry, Science
and Technology*)

Senator the Hon. Dr. S. M. Munro-Knight, Ph.D.
(*Minister in the Prime Minister's Office*)

Senator J. A. King, B.S.S., J.P.

Senator Miss P. E. Parris, J.P.

Senator A. A. O. Boyce, B.Sc., M.Sc., LL.B.

Senator G. P. B. Nicholls, B.Sc. (Hons.), LL.B.
(Hons.), LL.M., MCI Arb.

Senator Rev. C. M. Morris, B.A. (Theology), B.A.
(Hist. & Sociology), Dip. Ed., M.A.

Senator Miss R. W. Trim, B.Sc.

Senator the Hon. L. E. Nurse, F.C.A., F.C.C.A.

Senator Mr. C. A. Maynard, M.B.B.S., F.R.C.S.
(ENT)

Senator Ms. M. C. Taitt, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.),
M.B.A.

Senator K. J. Boyce, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C.

Senator Dr. C. N. Drakes, B.Sc. (Econ. & Mgmt),
M.Phil Econ., Ph.D.

Senator Rev. Canon Dr. J. A. Rogers, B.Sc., B.A.
(Hons.), M.Phil., Ph.D.

Senator A. W. Mallalieu, C.P.A., F.R.I.C.S.

Senator R. O. Walters, M. B. A.

Senator A. R. Worrell, J.P., B.A. (Hons.)

ABSENT

Senator the Most Honourable Mr. J. X. Walcott, FB, M.B.B.S., F.R.C.S., (Edin.), J.P. (*Senior Minister*)
(*Minister of Health and Wellness*).

PRAYERS

Prayers were led by Senator Rev. C. M. Morris.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS BY HIS HONOUR THE PRESIDENT
MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting of Wednesday, 15th October, 2025 were deferred on the motion of Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins.

Mr. President announced that he was in receipt of an excuse for absence from the Chaplain, Rev. Father Wayne Kirton. He also announced that he was in receipt of an excuse for lateness from Senator Miss R. W. Trim.

PUBLIC BUSINESS

ORDER NO. 12

**CARIBBEAN COMMUNITY (FREE MOVEMENT OF NATIONALS)
BILL, 2025**

On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to provide for nationals of certain Member States of the Caribbean Community to enter Barbados, stay indefinitely and work without a work permit and for related matters, the Hon. Member spoke and moved that the Bill be read a second time.

Senator A. R. Worrell began to speak.

Her Honour Senator the Most Honourable Ms. H. E. Thompson spoke on a point of order.

Senator A. R. Worrell resumed his speech.

Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins spoke on a point of order.

Senator A. R. Worrell resumed his speech.

Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins spoke on a point of order.

Senator A. R. Worrell resumed his speech.

Her Honour Senator the Most Honourable Ms. H. E. Thompson spoke on a point of order.

Mr. President spoke.

Senator A. R. Worrell concluded his speech.

Senator K. J. Boyce spoke.

Senator Rev. C. M. Morris began to speak.

Mr. President spoke.

Senator Rev. C. M. Morris concluded his speech.

SUSPENSION

At 2.05 p.m. the Sitting was suspended to 3.10 p.m. on the motion of Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. President resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 12 (resumed)

Senator A. W. Mallalieu began to speak.

Mr. President spoke.

Senator A. W. Mallalieu concluded his speech.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins the Sitting was suspended at 3.39 p.m. to 3.50 p.m.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. President resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 12 (resumed)

Senator A. A. O. Boyce spoke.

Senator Dr. C. N. Drakes spoke.

Senator Miss R. W. Trim spoke.

Senator Mr. C. A. Maynard spoke.

Senator J. A. King began his speech.

Mr. President spoke.

Senator J. A. King concluded his speech.

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

Senator R. O. Walters began to speak.

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

Senator R. O. Walters resumed his speech.

Mr. President resumed the Chair.

Senator R. O. Walters concluded his speech.

Her Honour Senator the Most Honourable Ms. H. E. Thompson spoke.

Senator G. P. B. Nicholls spoke.

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

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

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, Her Honour the Deputy President in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 11 and the Schedule were called and passed without debate on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins the Chairman of Committees reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to the President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to the Senate dividing as follows:

Ayes: Senators the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins, Hon. J. W. D. Reid, Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight, J. A. King, A. A. O. Boyce, G. P. B. Nicholls, Rev. C. M. Morris, Miss R. W. Trim, the Most Honourable Ms. H. E. Thompson, the Hon. L. E. Nurse, Mr. C. A. Maynard, Ms. M. C. Taitt, K. J. Boyce, Dr. C. N. Drakes, Rev. Canon Dr. J. A. Rogers and A. W. Mallalieu – 16

Abstentions: Senator A. R. Worrell – 1

Noes: Nil

ADJOURNMENT

Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins spoke and moved that the Senate be adjourned to Wednesday, 29th October, 2025 at 11.00 a.m.

Senator A. W. Mallalieu spoke.

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

Mr. President spoke.

The motion was passed and Mr. President adjourned the Senate at 8.26 p.m.

N. R. JONES, K.C.

Deputy Clerk of Parliament.

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the
, 2025.

day of

President.

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