



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

The Honourable the House of Assembly

At a meeting of the House of Assembly at the Parliament Buildings on Tuesday the 4th day of October, 2022, at 10.00 o'clock a.m. pursuant to the adjournment.

PRESENT

- His Honour A. E. Holder, 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, Q.C., LL.B. (<i>Prime Minister, Minister of Finance, Economic Affairs, Culture, Security, Public Service, CARICOM and the Development Commissions</i>) | Mr. R. A. Thorne, Q.C., LL.B., L.E.C., Dip. Theology |
| Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P. | Hon. I. A. Weir, M.B.A. (<i>Minister of Agriculture, Food and Nutritional Security</i>) |
| Mr. T. A. Prescod, J.P., B.A. | Hon. C. McD. Griffith, B.Sc. (<i>Minister of Youth, Sports and Community Empowerment</i>) |
| Hon. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B. (<i>Senior Minister</i>) (<i>Minister of Energy and Business Development</i>) | Mr. P. R. Phillips, J.P. (<i>Chairman of Committees</i>) |
| Mr. E. G. Hinkson, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M. | Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill (<i>Minister of Health and Wellness</i>) |
| Hon. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.) (<i>Minister of Housing, Lands and Maintenance</i>) | Hon. C. E. Jordan, B.Sc. (Hons.) (<i>Minister of Labour and Social Security and the Third Sector</i>) |
| Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (<i>Deputy Prime Minister</i>) (<i>Senior Minister</i>) (<i>Minister of Transport, Works and Water Resources</i>) | Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.P.A. (<i>Minister of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs</i>) |
| Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid, J.P., B.D.S., F.D.S., F.D.R.C.S., M. Min. (<i>Senior Minister in the Prime Minister's Office</i>) | Ms. M. K-A. Caddle, B.A., M.Sc. |
| Hon. W. A. Abrahams, LL.B. (<i>Minister of Home Affairs and Information</i>) | Hon. Miss K. S. McConney (<i>Minister of Education, Technological and Vocational Training</i>) |
| Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, B.A. (Hons.), M.Sc. (<i>Minister of State in the Ministry of Foreign Trade and Business Development</i>) | Dr. R. O. Springer, J.P., Ph.D. (<i>Parliamentary Secretary in the Ministry of Transport, Works and Water Resources</i>) |
| | Hon. D. I. Ishmael, M.B.A., M.Sc. (<i>Minister of Industry, Innovation, Science and Technology</i>) |
| | Mr. C. D. L. Gibbs and |
| | Mr. C. A. Lane, J.P. (<i>Parliamentary Secretary in the Ministry of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs</i>) |

ABSENT

Hon. D. D. Marshall, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (*Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs*), Hon. A. R. Forde, RPh. (*Minister of Environment and National Beautification*), Dr. the Hon. S. E. Browne, M.B.B.S. (*Minister of State in the Ministry of Health and Wellness*), Hon. R. R. Straughn, B.Sc., M.Sc. (*Minister in the Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs*) and Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore, M.B.A.

Prayers were taken by Rev. Father Mark Harewood.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the meetings of Tuesday, 13th September, 2022 and Tuesday, 27th September, 2022 were taken as read and were confirmed on the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. C. E. Jordan.

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

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

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**ORDER NO. 1****BARBADOS METROLOGY BILL, 2022**

On the Order being called for Hon. K. D. Symmonds to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to make provision for matters related to metrology and to:

- (a) give effect to the Convention du Metre and related decisions and agreements;
- (b) establish the International System of Units as the primary system of measurement to be used in Barbados in both commercial and domestic affairs;
- (c) clearly define the legal structure for the administration of metrology within Barbados in order to be in compliance with international standards and to support the development of industry, improve competitiveness and ensure sustainable development;
- (d) ensure that all measurements within Barbados are regulated to achieve competitiveness and fairness in the commercial and domestic affairs to ensure the protection of human life and health; and
- (e) repeal the Weights and Measures Act, Cap. 331,

the Hon. Member began to speak and moved seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey that further consideration of the Bill be postponed.

The motion was passed.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw the Sitting was suspended at 12.25 p.m. to 1.45 p.m.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES (recommitted)

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw gave notice of the Catastrophe Fund (Amendment) Bill, 2022.

FIRST READINGS OF BILLS

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Catastrophe Fund (Amendment) Bill, 2022 was read a first time.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS (resumed)**ORDER NO. 6****CATASTROPHE FUND (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2022**

Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid spoke and moved seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey that the Bill be read a first time.

Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke.

Hon. D. G. Sutherland spoke,
Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands spoke.
Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid spoke in reply.
The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the House went into Committee, Mr. P. R. Phillips in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 4 were called and passed on the separate motion of Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams.

On the motion of Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Chairman reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to Mr. Speaker who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the House was adjourned to Tuesday, 11th October, 2022 at 10.00 a.m.

At 3.40 p.m. Mr. Speaker adjourned the Sitting.

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

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the
, 2022.

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Speaker.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY
PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS
BRIDGETOWN.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

FIRST SESSION OF 2022 – 2027

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Tuesday, 4th October, 2022.
