



# MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

## OF

# The Honourable the House of Assembly

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At a hybrid meeting of the House of Assembly at the Parliament Buildings on Tuesday the 24th day of May, 2022, at 10 o'clock 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. D. D. Marshall, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.),<br>L.E.C. ( <i>Attorney General and Minister of<br/>Legal Affairs</i> )   | Hon. A. R. Forde, RPh. ( <i>Minister of Environment<br/>and National Beautification</i> ) ( <b>Online</b> )                        |
| Mr. T. A. Prescod, J.P., B.A.   | Hon. C. McD. Griffith, B.Sc. ( <i>Minister of Youth,<br/>Sports and Community Empowerment</i> )                                    |
| Hon. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B. ( <i>Senior<br/>Minister</i> ) ( <i>Minister of Energy and Business<br/>Development</i> )  | Mr. P. R. Phillips, J.P. ( <i>Chairman of Committees</i> )   |
| Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.),<br>L.E.C. ( <i>Acting Prime Minister</i> ) ( <i>Senior<br/>Minister</i> ) ( <i>Minister of Transport, Works<br/>and Water Resources</i> ) | Hon. C. E. Jordan, B.Sc. (Hons.) ( <i>Minister of Labour<br/>and Social Security and the Third Sector</i> )                        |
| Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid, J.P., B.D.S., F.D.S.,<br>F.D.R.C.S., M. Min. ( <i>Senior Minister in the<br/>Prime Minister's Office</i> )   | Hon. R. R. Straughn, B.Sc., M.Sc. ( <i>Minister in the<br/>Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs</i> )                          |
| Hon. W. A. Abrahams, LL.B. ( <i>Minister of<br/>Home Affairs and Information</i> )  | Ms. M. K-A. Caddle, B.A., M.Sc.  |
| Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, B.A. (Hons.),<br>M.Sc. ( <i>Minister of State in the Ministry of<br/>Foreign Trade and Business Development</i> )   | Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore, M.B.A. ( <b>Online</b> )   |
| Mr. R. A. Thorne, Q.C., LL.B., L.E.C., Dip.<br>Theology   | Hon. Miss K. S. McConney ( <i>Minister of Education,<br/>Technological and Vocational Training</i> )                               |
| Hon. I. A. Weir, M.B.A. ( <i>Minister of<br/>Agriculture, Food and Nutritional<br/>Security</i> )   | Dr. R. O. Springer, J.P., Ph.D. ( <i>Parliamentary<br/>Secretary in the Ministry of Transport, Works<br/>and Water Resources</i> ) |
|   | Hon. D. I. Ishmael, M.B.A., M.Sc. ( <i>Minister of<br/>Industry, Innovation, Science and Technology</i> )                          |
|   | Mr. C. D. L. Gibbs   |
|   | Mr. C. A. Lane, J.P. ( <i>Parliamentary Secretary in the<br/>Ministry of People Empowerment and Elder<br/>Affairs</i> )            |

### ABSENT

Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, Q.C., LL.B. (*Prime Minister, Minister of Finance, Economic Affairs, Culture, Security, Public Service, CARICOM and the Development Commissions*), Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P., Mr. E. G. Hinkson, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M., Hon. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.) (*Minister of Housing, Lands and Maintenance*), Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill (*Minister of Health and Wellness*), Dr. the Hon. S. E. Browne, M.B.B.S. (*Minister of State in the Ministry of Health and Wellness*) and Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.P.A. (*Minister of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs*).

Prayers were taken by Rev. Father Mark Harewood.

### PAPERS

Hon. K. D. Symmonds by command laid:

- Fair Trading Commission Annual Report 2020.

### FIRST READINGS OF BILLS

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Safety and Health at Work (Amendment) Bill, 2022 was read a first time.

### ORDERS OF THE DAY

#### SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

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

### GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

#### ORDER NO. 4

#### AIRPORT SERVICE CHARGE BILL, 2022

On the Order being called for Hon. K. D. Symmonds to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to provide for the imposition and collection of an airport service charge, the Hon. Member spoke and moved, seconded by Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid that the Bill be read a second time.

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

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

Clauses 1 to 11 were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. K. D. Symmonds seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams.

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

On the separate motion of Hon. K. D. Symmonds seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

#### ORDER NO. 5

#### ANIMALS (DISEASES AND IMPORTATION) (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2022

On the Order being called for Hon. I. A. Weir to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Animals (Diseases and Importation) Act, the Hon. Member spoke and moved, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams that the Bill be read a second time.

Ms. M. K-A. Caddle spoke.

Hon. I. A. Weir spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

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

Clauses 1 to 4 and the Schedule were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. I. A. Weir seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams.

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

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

**MINUTES (recommitted)**

Mr. Speaker spoke.

The Minutes of the meeting of Tuesday, 17th May, 2022 were taken as read and were confirmed on the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the House was adjourned to Tuesday, 14th June, 2022 at 10.00 a.m.

At 1.25 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 \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

Speaker.

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