

BARBADOS



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

The Honourable The Senate

The Senate met in the Senate Chamber, Parliament at the Parliament Buildings on Wednesday the 16th day of November, 2022, at 11.00 o'clock a.m.

PRESENT

His Honour Senator R. R. Farley, J.P., B.Sc., C.P.A., C.M.A. (*President*)

Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins, B.Sc., M.Sc. (<i>Minister of Energy and Business Development</i>) (<i>Leader of the Senate</i>)	Senator G. P. B. Nicholls, B.Sc. (Hons.), LL.B. (Hons.), LL.M., MCI Arb.
Senator Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight, Ph.D. (<i>Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office</i>)	Senator Mr. C. A. Maynard, M.B.B.S., F.R.C.S. (ENT)
Senator Dr. C. K. M. Haynes, M.B.B.S.	Senator K. J. Boyce, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C.
Senator J. A. King, B.S.S.	Senator Miss C. N. Drakes, B.Sc. (Econ. & Mgmt), M.Phil Econ.
Senator Miss P. E. Parris, J.P.	Senator Rev. Dr. J. A. Rogers, B.Sc., B.A. (Hons.), M.Phil., Ph.D.
Senator L. R. Harewood, J.P., BSM, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A.	Senator A. W. Mallalieu, C.P.A., F.R.I.C.S.
Senator Mrs. S. C. S. Roberts-Odle, B.Sc., M.Sc.	Senator Dr. the Hon. C. W. DaC. Brathwaite, CHB, Ph.D.
Senator A. A. O. Boyce, B.Sc., M.Sc., LL.B.	Senator Dr. K. G. Hinds, Ph.D.

ABSENT

Her Honour Senator Ms. H. E. Thompson, LL.B. (*Deputy President*), Senator the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott, FB, M.B., B.S., F.R.C.S. (Edin.), J.P. (*Senior Minister*) (*Minister of Health and Wellness*), Senator the Hon. L. E. Nurse, F.C.A., F.C.C.A. and Senator Ms. M. C. Taitt, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.) M.B.A.

Prayers were led by Senator G. P. B. Nicholls

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY HIS HONOUR THE PRESIDENT

Mr. President announced that he was in receipt of excuses for absence from Senators Her Honour Ms. H. E. Thompson, the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott and the Hon. L. E. Nurse, and an excuse for lateness from Senator Ms. M. C. Taitt.

PUBLIC BUSINESS

ORDER NO. 5

FIREARMS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2022

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 amend the *Firearms Act*, Cap. 179,

the Hon. Member spoke and moved that the Bill be read a second time.

Senator Dr. K. G. Hinds spoke.

Senator Dr. the Hon. C. W. DaC. Brathwaite spoke.

Senator Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight spoke.

Senator Mr. C. A. Maynard spoke.

Senator Miss P. E. Parris spoke.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins the Sitting was suspended to 2.45 p.m. at 1.46 p.m.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. President resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 5 (resumed)

Senator A. W. Mallalieu spoke.

Senator K. J. Boyce spoke.

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

Senator Mrs. S. C. S. Roberts-Odle spoke.

Further consideration of the Bill was postponed.

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS (recommended)

Senator Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight by command laid:

1. Conservation Funding Agreement dated as of September 20, 2022 among the Government of Barbados, the Nature Conservancy, Barbados Environmental Sustainable Fund Inc., and Barbados Blue Conservation Trust.
2. Conservation and Sustainability Commitments Agreement dated as of September 20, 2022 between the Government of Barbados and the Nature Conservancy.

MOTIONS RELATING TO THE BUSINESS OF THE SENATE (recommended)

On the motion of Senator Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight Senator Rev. Dr. J. A. Rogers was appointed Temporary Chairman of Committees for the remainder of the Sitting.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES (recommended)

Senator Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight gave notice of the following:

Resolution that Parliament accepts the Barbados National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan 2020 as the guiding national policy document for the management and conservation of Biodiversity in Barbados, and the associated reports.

PUBLIC BUSINESS (resumed)

ORDER NO. 5 (resumed)

Senator A. A. O. Boyce spoke.

Senator L. R. Harewood spoke.

Senator G. P. B. Nicholls 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, Senator Rev. Dr. J. A. Rogers in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 3 were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins. Clause 4 was called.

Senator Dr. K. G. Hinds spoke.

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

Senator Dr. K. G. Hinds spoke.

Senator G. P. B. Nicholls spoke.

Clause 4 was passed.

Clauses 5 to 11 were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins.

Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins began to speak.

Senator A. W. Mallalieu spoke.

Progress was reported to Mr. President who resumed the Chair, and leave to sit again was granted.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins the Sitting was suspended at 5.40 p.m. for 10 minutes.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. President resumed the Chair.

The Temporary Chairman of Committees reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to the President who 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.

ADJOURNMENT

Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins spoke and moved the adjournment of the Senate *sine die*.

Senator Dr. K. G. Hinds spoke.

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

Mr. President spoke.

The motion was passed.

At 6.07 p.m. Mr. President adjourned the Sitting.

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

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the _____ day of _____, 2022.

President.

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