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MANAGEMENT COMMISSION OF PARLIAMENT

(Parliament (Administration) Act, Cap. 10 – Section 3(4))

The following are ex officio Members of the Commission:

His Honour A. E. Holder, S.C. (Chairman), Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, S.C. and Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw.

Section 3(4) of the Parliament (Administration) Act, Cap. 10.

The following are appointed Members of the Commission:

Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill, Hon. C. E. Jordan, Mr. P. R. Phillips, J.P. and Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore, J.P.

Appointed on 4th February, 2022.

SESSIONAL SELECT COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES

To consider and report to the Honourable the House of Assembly on all matters which involve the privileges of the Honourable the House of Assembly.

The Members of the Committee are:

His Honour A. E. Holder, S.C. (Chairman) ex officio, Dr. R. O. Springer, J.P., Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, Mr. N. G. H. Rowe, J.P., Her Honour Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P. and Hon. W. A. Abrahams, S.C.

Appointed on 4th February, 2022.

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

Appointed on 25th April, 2023.

COMMITTEE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

To examine the accounts showing the appropriation of the sums granted by Parliament to meet the public expenditure, accounts of any entities in which Government is a majority shareholder or hold a majority interest and of such other accounts laid before Parliament as the Committee may think fit.

The following are Members of this Joint Committee:

Mr. R. A. Thorne, K.C., Leader of the Opposition (Chairman) ex officio, Ms. M. K-A. Caddle, Hon. C. E. Jordan, Mr. C. A. Lane, J.P. and Hon. K. D. Symmonds.

Appointed on 4th February, 2022.

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

Appointed on 7th June, 2024.

STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE

The Members of the Committee are:

His Honour the Speaker (Chairman) ex officio, Dr. S. E. Browne, Hon. Miss K. S. McConney, Ms. M. K-A. Caddle, Hon. D. G. Sutherland, Hon. D. I. Ishmael and Hon. I. A. Weir.

Appointed on 4th February, 2022.

Hon. W. A. Abrahams, S.C., Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw and Mr. P. R. Phillips, J.P.

Appointed on 25th April, 2023.

LIBRARY COMMITTEE

The following are Members of this Joint Committee:

His Honour the Speaker (Chairman), Hon. A. R. Forde, Hon. R. R. Straughn, Ms. M. K-A. Caddle, Mr. T. A. Prescod, J.P., Hon. C. McD. Griffith and Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid, J.P.

Appointed on 4th February, 2022.

JOINT SELECT COMMITTEES (STANDING)

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNANCE AND POLICY MATTERS

The following are Members of this Joint Committee:

Mr. R. A. Thorne, K.C., Dr. R. O. Springer, J.P. and Mr. P. R. Phillips, J.P.

Appointed on 2nd May, 2023.

COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC AND PRODUCTIVE SECTORS

The following are Members of this Joint Committee:

Mr. C. D. L. Gibbs (Chairman), Dr. S. E. Browne, Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands and Ms. M. K-A. Caddle.

Appointed on 2nd May, 2023.

COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SECTOR AND ENVIRONMENT

The following are Members of this Joint Committee:

Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore, J.P. (Chairman), Mr. C. A. Lane, J.P., Her Honour Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P. and Mr. T. A. Prescod, J.P.

Appointed on 2nd May, 2023.

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

ORDER OF BUSINESS

(Standing Order 10 of the First Session)

"Unless the House otherwise directs, the business of each sitting day shall be transacted in the following order – $\,$

- (a) Formal entry of His Honour the Speaker.
- (b) Prayers.
- (c) Announcements by His Honour the Speaker.
- (d) Messages from Her Excellency the President.
- (e) Petitions.
- (f) Papers.
- (g) Government Notices.
- (h) Private Members' Notices.
- (i) Notices of Questions.
- (j) Reports from Select Committees.
- (k) First readings of Bills.
- (l) Statements by Ministers.
- (m) Congratulatory and/or obituary speeches.
- (n) Personal Explanations.
- (o) Motions for leave of absence.
- (p) Oral replies to questions.
- (q) Notices of motions for the adjournment of the House on matters of urgent public importance.
- (r) Orders of the day."

QUESTIONS

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

1. Hon. K. D. Symmonds: To resume debate on the Second Reading of the Barbados Metrology Bill, 2022.

Notice of this Bill was given on 8th February, 2022.

The Bill was read a first time on 8th February, 2022.

The Bill was published in the Official Gazette on 10th February, 2022.

On the 4th day of October, 2022 Hon. K. D. Symmonds began to speak. Further consideration of the Bill was postponed.

2. Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw: To move the Second Reading of the Copyright Bill, 2023.

Notice of this Bill was given on 9th August, 2023.

The Bill was read a first time on 11th August, 2023.

The Bill was published in the Official Gazette on 14th August, 2023.

3. Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley: To move the passing of a Resolution to approve the rates of salaries and allowances applicable to the post of Personal Assistants to Ministers as set out in the Schedule.

Notice of this Resolution was given on 11th February, 2025.

4. Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley: To move the passing of a Resolution to approve the rates of salaries and allowances applicable to the posts of Personal Assistant, Executive Assistant, Press Secretary, Executive Personal Secretary and Clerical Officer to the Prime Minister as set out in the Schedule.

Notice of this Resolution was given on 11th February, 2025.

5. Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley: To move the Second Reading of the Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries (Conditions of Service) (Amendment) Bill, 2025.

Notice of this Bill was given on 11th February, 2025.

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The Bill was read a first time on 11th February, 2025.

The Bill was published in the Official Gazette on 13th February, 2025.

6. Hon. A. R. Forde: To move the Second Reading of the Integrated Coastal and Marine Management Bill, 2025.

Notice of this Bill was given on 22nd April, 2025.

The Bill was read a first time on 22nd April, 2025.

The Bill was published in the Official Gazette on 17th March, 2025.

- 7. Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw: To move that the House resolve itself into Standing Finance Committee to consider the following Resolutions:
 - (a) Hon. R. R. Straughn: To move the passing of a Resolution that Parliament rescind the allocation of funds under
 - (a) designated Programme 040: Direction & Policy Formulation Services, Subprogramme 7060: General Management and Coordination Services, Account Code 316: Grants to Public Institutions voted for under Head 27 Ministry of Tourism and International Transport and the grant of \$5,000,000;
 - (b) designated Programme 163: Fisheries Management & Development, Subprogramme 173: Fisheries Services, Account Code 230: Contingencies, in the grant of \$17,443,503; and Programme 164: General Support Services, Subprogramme 0385: Markets, Account Code 230: Contingencies, and the grant of \$146,089 voted for under Head 82 Ministry of Environment and National Beautification

appearing on Resolution No. 2/2025 passed by this Honourable House on 14th March 2025.

- No. 108 ORDER PAPER: TUESDAY, 1ST JULY, 2025
 - (b) Hon. R. R. Straughn: To move the passing of a Resolution that Parliament approve the allocation under
 - (a) Programme 040: Direction & Policy Formulation Services, Subprogramme 0022: Contingencies, Account Code 230: Contingencies, in the amount: \$1,146,089;
 - (b) Programme 040: Direction & Policy Formulation Services, Subprogramme 0022: Contingencies, Account Code 730: Contingencies, in the amount of \$16,443,503;
 - (c) Programme 040: Direction & Policy Formulation Services, Subprogramme 0022: Contingencies, Account Code 430: Contingencies, in the amount of: \$5,000,000

under Head 34; Ministry of Finance, Economic Affairs and Investment appearing in Resolution No. 2/2025 approved by this Honourable House on the 14th March, 2025 and to make consequential amendments thereto.

Notice of these Resolutions was given on 21st April, 2025.

8. Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley: To resume the debate on the passing of a Resolution that the Parliament of Barbados take note of the Report of the Parliamentary Reform Commission 2024 and its recommendations.

Notice of this Resolution was given on 19th May, 2025.

On the 24th day of June, 2025 Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley spoke and moved seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams that the Resolution be approved.

Mr. R. A. Thorne spoke. Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke. Further consideration of the Resolution was postponed.