



# MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

## OF

# The Honourable the House of Assembly

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At a meeting of the House of Assembly at the Parliament Buildings on Tuesday the 26th day of November, 2019, pursuant to the adjournment.

### PRESENT

- His Honour A. E. Holder, B.Sc. (Hons.), MSW, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (*Speaker*)  
His Honour G. A. Clarke, J.P., B.Sc., Dip. Ed. (*Deputy Speaker*)  
Hon. G. W. Payne, Q.C. (*Minister of Housing, Lands and Rural Development*)  
Hon. R. St. C. Toppin, LL.B. (Hons.) (*Minister of International Business and Industry*)  
Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, Q.C., LL.B. (*Prime Minister; Minister of Finance, Economic Affairs and Investment, Minister of National Security and the Civil Service*)  
Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P. (*Minister of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs*)  
Hon. T. A. Prescod, B.A. (*Minister of Environment and National Beautification*)  
Hon. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B. (*Minister of Tourism and International Transport*)  
Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic, MVO, B.A. (Hons.) (*Minister of Health and Wellness*)  
Hon. E. G. Hinkson, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M. (*Minister of Home Affairs*)  
Hon. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.) (*Minister of Small Business, Entrepreneurship and Commerce*)  
Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (*Minister of Education, Technological and Vocational Training*)  
Bishop J. J. S. Atherley, J.P., B.A., B.Sc., PgD. (*Leader of the Opposition*)  
Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid, J.P., B.D.S., F.D.S., F.D.R.C.S., M.Min. (*Minister of Transport, Works and Maintenance*)  
Hon. W. A. Abrahams, LL.B. (*Minister of Energy and Water Resources*)  
Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, B.A. (Hons.), M.Sc. (*Minister in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade*)  
Mr. R. A. Thorne, Q.C., LL.B., L.E.C., Dip. Theology  
Hon. I. A. Weir, M.B.A. (*Minister of Agriculture and Food Security*)  
Hon. A. R. Forde, RPh. (*Minister of Youth and Community Empowerment*)  
Hon. C. McD. Griffith, B.Sc. (*Minister in the Ministry of Housing, Lands and Rural Development*)  
Hon. P. R. Phillips (*Minister in the Ministry of Transport, Works and Maintenance*)  
Hon. J. A. King, BSS (*Minister of Creative Economy, Culture and Sports*)  
Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill  
Hon. Miss M. K-A. Caddle, B.A., M.Sc. (*Minister in the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Investment*)  
Mr. N. G. H. Rowe (*Parliamentary Secretary in the Ministry of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs*)

**ABSENT**

Hon. D. D. Marshall, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (*Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs*), Hon. C. E. Jordan, B.Sc. (Hons.) (*Minister of Labour and Social Partnership Relations*), Dr. S. E. Browne, M.B.B.S. (*Chairman of Committees*), Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.P.A. (*Minister of Maritime Affairs and the Blue Economy*) and Hon. R. R. Straughn, B.Sc., M.Sc. (*Minister in the Ministry of Finance*).

Mr. Speaker took the Chair at 10.15 a.m.

Prayers were taken by Rev. Father Mark Harewood.

**MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting of Friday, 22nd November, 2019 were deferred on the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde.

**GOVERNMENT NOTICES**

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw gave notice of the Caves (Amendment) Bill, 2019.

**FIRST READINGS OF BILLS**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde the Caves (Amendment) Bill 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 Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic Standing Orders 6, 16, 18, 20, 42(5), 43 and 44 were suspended for the remainder of the Sitting.

**GOVERNMENT BUSINESS****ORDER NO. 8**

**ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT (AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE  
CARIBBEAN COMMUNITY, THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC AND THE  
UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN  
IRELAND) BILL, 2019**

On the Order being called for Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to make provision for the economic agreement between:

- (a) The Caribbean Community and the Dominican Republic of the One Part; and
- (b) The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland of the Other Part to be given the force of law in Barbados,

the Hon. Member spoke and moved, seconded by Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw that the Bill be read a second time.

**SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic the Sitting was suspended to 2.15 p.m.

At 12.55 p.m. Mr. Speaker suspended the Sitting.

**RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

**ORDER NO. 8 (resumed)**

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

Hon. Miss M. K-A. Caddle spoke.

Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

**APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES**

On the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde, Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill was appointed temporary Chairman of Committees for the remainder of the Sitting.

On the motion of Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands seconded by Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid the House went into Committee, Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 3 were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands seconded by Hon. J. A. King.

Clauses 3 to 5 and the Schedule were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands seconded by Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid.

On the motion of Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands seconded by Hon. J. A. King 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. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands seconded by Dr. the Hon W. F. Duguid the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

### **SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. G. W. Payne the Sitting was suspended at 3.38 p.m. to 3.50 p.m.

### **RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

### **GOVERNMENT BUSINESS (resumed)**

### **ORDER NO. 12**

### **CARIBBEAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION (AMENDMENT)**

### **BILL, 2019**

On the Order being called for Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Caribbean Broadcasting Corporation Act, Cap. 276, the Hon. Member sought and obtained leave to introduce the Bill in a cognate debate with the Broadcasting (Amendment) Bill, 2019.

The Hon. Member spoke and moved seconded by Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic that the Bill be read a second time.

Hon. J. A. King spoke.

Bishop J. J. S. Atherley spoke.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds began to speak.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds concluded his speech.

Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill spoke.

His Honour G. A. Clarke spoke.

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic the House went into Committee, Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 8 were called and were passed on the separate motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips 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. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

### **ORDER NO. 13**

### **BROADCASTING (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2019**

On the Order being called for Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Broadcasting Act, Cap. 274B, the Hon. Member moved, seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips that the Bill be read a second time.

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips the House went into Committee, Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill in the Chair.

Clauses 1 and 2 were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips 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. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

### **GOVERNMENT NOTICES (recommitted)**

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw gave notice of the following Bills:

1. Companies (Economic Substance) Bill, 2019.
2. Companies (Amendment) (No. ) Bill, 2019.
3. Corporate and Trust Service Providers (Amendment) (No. ) Bill, 2019.
4. Foundations (Repeal) Bill, 2019.
5. Limited Partnerships (Amendment) Bill, 2019.
6. Societies with Restricted Liability (Amendment) Bill, 2019.

### **FIRST READINGS OF BILLS (recommitted)**

On the separate motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic the following Bills were read a first time:

1. Companies (Economic Substance) Bill, 2019.
2. Companies (Amendment) (No. ) Bill, 2019.
3. Corporate and Trust Service Providers (Amendment) (No. ) Bill, 2019.
4. Foundations (Repeal) Bill, 2019.
5. Limited Partnerships (Amendment) Bill, 2019.
6. Societies with Restricted Liability (Amendment) Bill, 2019.

### **SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic the Sitting was suspended to 6.30 p.m.

At 6.20 p.m. Mr. Speaker suspended the Sitting.

### **RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

### **GOVERNMENT BUSINESS (resumed)**

#### **ORDER NO. 18**

#### **FOUNDATIONS (REPEAL) BILL, 2019**

On the Order being called for Hon. R. St. C. Toppin to move the second reading of the Bill, the Honourable Member sought and obtained leave to introduce the Bill along with Orders Nos. 15, 16, 17, 19 and 20 on the Order Paper in a cognate debate.

Hon. R. St. C. Toppin spoke and moved seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams that the Bill be read a second time.

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Hon. R. St. C. Toppin seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the House went into Committee, Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill in the Chair.

Clauses 1 and 2 were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. R. St. C. Toppin seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams.

On the motion of Hon. R. St. C. Toppin 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. R. St. C. Toppin seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

#### **ORDER NO. 15**

#### **COMPANIES (ECONOMIC SUBSTANCE) BILL, 2019**

On the Order being called for Hon. R. St. C. Toppin to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to provide for the imposition of an economic substance test on companies carrying on business in Barbados and for related matters,

the Hon. Member moved, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams that the Bill be read a second time.

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Hon. R. St. C. Toppin seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the House went into Committee, Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 9 were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. R. St. C. Toppin seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams.

Clause 10 was called and amended on the motion of Hon. R. St. C. Toppin seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams.

Clauses 11 to 19 were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. R. St. C. Toppin seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams.

On the motion of Hon. R. St. C. Toppin 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. R. St. C. Toppin seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

**ORDER NO. 16**  
**COMPANIES (AMENDMENT) (NO. 2) BILL, 2019**

On the Order being called for Hon. R. St. C. Toppin to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Companies Act, Cap. 308, the Hon. Member moved, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams that the Bill be read a second time.

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Hon. R. St. C. Toppin seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the House went into Committee, Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 15 were called in parts and passed on the separate motion of Hon. R. St. C. Toppin seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams.

On the motion of Hon. R. St. C. Toppin 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. R. St. C. Toppin seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

**ORDER NO. 17**  
**CORPORATE AND TRUST SERVICE PROVIDERS (AMENDMENT) (NO. 2) BILL, 2019**

On the Order being called for Hon. R. St. C. Toppin to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Corporate and Trust Service Providers Act, 2015 (Act 2015-12), the Hon. Member moved, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams that the Bill be read a second time.

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Hon. R. St. C. Toppin seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the House went into Committee, Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 4 were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. R. St. C. Toppin seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams.

On the motion of Hon. R. St. C. Toppin 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. R. St. C. Toppin seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

**ORDER NO. 19**  
**LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2019**

On the Order being called for Hon. R. St. C. Toppin to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Limited Partnerships Act, Cap. 312, the Hon. Member moved, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams that the Bill be read a second time.

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Hon. R. St. C. Toppin seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the House went into Committee, Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill in the Chair.

Clauses 1 and 2 were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. R. St. C. Toppin seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams.

On the motion of Hon. R. St. C. Toppin 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. R. St. C. Toppin seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

**ORDER NO. 20**  
**SOCIETIES WITH RESTRICTED LIABILITY (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2019**

On the Order being called for Hon. R. St. C. Toppin to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Societies With Restricted Liability Act, Cap. 318B, the Hon. Member moved, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams that the Bill be read a second time.

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Hon. R. St. C. Toppin seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the House went into Committee, Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 5 were called and passed on the motion of Hon. R. St. C. Toppin seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams.

On the motion of Hon. R. St. C. Toppin 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. R. St. C. Toppin seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

**ORDER NO. 14**

On the Order being called Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw moved seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams that the House resolve itself into the Standing Finance Committee.

The motion was passed.

Hon. E. G. Hinkson spoke on the following Resolution:

RESOLVED that the sum of ONE MILLION, ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS be granted from the Consolidated Fund and be placed at the disposal of the Government to supplement the Estimates 2019–2020 as shown in the Supplementary Estimates No. 8, 2019–2020 which form the Schedule to this Resolution.

**SCHEDULE**

**Supplementary Estimates 2019 – 2020 No. 8**

HEAD	Code Number	Provision in Approved Estimates 2019 – 2020	Provision in Supplementary Estimates Nos. 1-7	Supplementary Provision Required
		Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure
HEAD 28 – MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS		\$	\$	\$
<b>Program 040: Direction and Policy Formulation Services</b>				
Subprogram 0241: National Council on Substance Abuse	280400241	1,100,000		800,000
<i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>				
<b>Program 201: Immigration Regulatory Services</b>				
Subprogram 0202: Immigration Department	282010202	1,000,878		300,000
<i>Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments</i>				

and moved seconded by Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid that Head 28 stand part.

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Hon. E. G. Hinkson seconded by Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid the Chairman reported to Mr. Speaker the passing of the Resolution in Standing Finance Committee.

On the separate motion of Hon. E. G. Hinkson seconded by Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid the Resolution was read a first and second time and agreed to.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. J. A. King the House was adjourned to Tuesday, 3rd December, 2019 at 10.00 a.m.

At 8.00 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 \_\_\_\_\_, 2019.

Speaker.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY  
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