



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

The Honourable the House of Assembly

At a meeting of the House of Assembly at the Parliament Buildings on Friday the 28th 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*)
- Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, S.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.
- Hon. D. D. Marshall, S.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (*Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs*)
- Mr. T. A. Prescod, J.P., B.A.
- Hon. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B. (*Senior Minister*) (*Minister of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade*)
- Hon. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.) (*Minister of Housing, Lands and Maintenance*)
- Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (*Deputy Prime Minister*) (*Senior Minister*) (*Minister of Transport, Works and Water Resources*)
- Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid, J.P., B.D.S., F.D.S., F.D.R.C.S., M. Min. (*Senior Minister in the Prime Minister's Office*)
- Hon. W. A. Abrahams, LL.B. (*Minister of Home Affairs and Information*)
- Mr. R. A. Thorne, Q.C., LL.B., L.E.C., Dip. Theology
- Hon. I. A. Weir, M.B.A. (*Minister of Agriculture, Food and Nutritional Security*)
- Hon. C. McD. Griffith, B.Sc. (*Minister of Youth, Sports and Community Empowerment*)
- Mr. P. R. Phillips, J.P. (*Chairman of Committees*)
- Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill (*Minister of Tourism and International Transport*)
- Hon. C. E. Jordan, B.Sc. (Hons.) (*Minister of Labour, Social Security and the Third Sector*)
- Dr. the Hon. S. E. Browne, M.B.B.S. (*Minister of State in the Ministry of Health and Wellness*)
- Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.P.A. (*Minister of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs*)
- Hon. R. R. Straughn, B.Sc., M.Sc. (*Minister in the Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs*)
- Ms. M. K-A. Caddle, B.A., M.Sc.
- Hon. Miss K. S. McConney (*Minister of Education, Technological and Vocational Training*)
- Dr. R. O. Springer, J.P., Ph.D. (*Parliamentary Secretary in the Ministry of Transport, Works and Water Resources*)
- Hon. D. I. Ishmael, M.B.A., M.Sc. (*Minister of Industry, Innovation, Science and Technology*)
- Hon. C. A. Lane, J.P. (*Minister of State in the Office of the Attorney General*)
- Mr. C. D. L. Gibbs

ABSENT

His Honour N. G. H. Rowe, J.P. (*Deputy Speaker*), Mr. E. G. Hinkson, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M., Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, B.A. (Hons.), M.Sc. (*Minister of State in the Ministry of Foreign Trade and Business Development*), Hon. A. R. Forde, RPh. (*Minister of Environment and National Beautification*) and Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore, M.B.A.

Prayers were taken by Rev. Father Mark Harewood.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of Tuesday, 25th October, 2022 were deferred on the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Miss C. Y. Forde.

FIRST READINGS OF BILLS

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

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**ORDER NO. 7****FIREARMS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2022**

On the Order being called for Hon. D. D. Marshall to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Firearms Act, Cap. 179,

the Hon Member spoke and moved, seconded by Hon. C. A. Lane that the Bill be read a second time.

Hon. C. A. Lane spoke.

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

Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. K. D. Symmonds seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey the Sitting was suspended at 1.20 p.m. to 2.35 p.m.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 7 (resumed)

Hon. D. G. Sutherland spoke.

Mr. R. A. Thorne spoke.

Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey began to speak.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey concluded his speech.

Miss C. Y. Forde spoke.

Hon. R. R. Straughn spoke.

Dr. the Hon. S. E. Browne spoke.

Hon. Miss K. S. McConney spoke.

Hon. D. D. Marshall spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

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

Clauses 1 to 7 were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams.

Clauses 8 (as amended) and 9 to 11 were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams.

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

PAPERS (recommitted)

Hon. R. R. Straughn by command laid:

- Agreement for the Establishment of a Partnership between Member States of the Caribbean Community and the African Export-Import Bank (“Afreximbank”).

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the House was adjourned to Tuesday, 8th November, 2022 at 10.00 a.m.

At 6.20 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.

day of

Speaker.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY
PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS
BRIDGETOWN.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

FIRST SESSION OF 2022 – 2027

MINUTES

Friday, 28th October, 2022.

Government Printing Department.