



# MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

## OF

# The Honourable the House of Assembly

---

At a meeting of the House of Assembly at the Parliament Buildings on Tuesday the 4th day of June, 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. D. D. Marshall, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (*Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs*)  
Hon. T. A. Prescod, B.A. (*Minister of Environment and National Beautification*)  
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*)  
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. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, B.A. (Hons.), M.Sc. (*Minister in the Ministry of 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*)  
Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill  
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*)  
Hon. R. R. Straughn, B.Sc., M.Sc. (*Minister in the Ministry of Finance*)  
Mr. N. G. H. Rowe (*Parliamentary Secretary in the Ministry of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs*)

**ABSENT**

Hon. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B. (*Minister of Tourism and International Transport*), Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (*Minister of Education, Technological and Vocational Training*), Hon. W. A. Abrahams, LL.B. (*Minister of Energy and Water Resources*), Hon. J. A. King, BSS (*Minister of Creative Economy, Culture and Sports*) and Hon. Miss M. K-A. Caddle, B.A., M.Sc. (*Minister in the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Investment*).

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 Tuesday, 14th May, 2019 were taken as read and were confirmed on the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS BY HIS HONOUR THE SPEAKER**

Mr. Speaker read the following:

**MESSAGE**

**from**

**THE HONOURABLE THE SENATE**

**to**

**THE HONOURABLE THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY**

The Honourable the Senate has the honour to inform the Honourable the House of Assembly that on the 31st day of May, 2019, the Honourable the Senate committed the following Bill:

**Data Protection Bill, 2019**

to a Joint Select Committee of the two Houses comprising six Members of the Honourable the Senate and five Members of the Honourable the House of Assembly and has approved the following terms of reference for the Committee:

Terms of Reference:

1. To inquire into and determine whether the Bill as drafted effectively fulfills the expressed objects of improving the protection of personal data.
2. To examine whether the Bill as drafted will upon effective implementation contribute to an ethos of compliance with data protection; thereby promoting transparency and accountability.
3. To make recommended changes, if deemed necessary, to the Bill as drafted for further consideration by the Chief Parliamentary Counsel.

The Honourable the Senate has appointed the following Senators to the Joint Select Committee:

**Senator the Hon. Miss Kay S. McConney**

Minister of Innovation, Science and Smart Technology

**Senator Damien R. Sands, LL.B. (Hons.)**

**Senator Rawdon J. H. Adams, B.Sc. (Econ.), M.Sc. (Political Sociology)**

**Senator Miss Crystal N. Drakes, B.Sc. (Econ. & Mgmt.), M.Phil Econ.**

**Senator Kevin J. Boyce, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C.**

**Senator Miss Althea M. Wiggins, J.P., B.Sc.**

The Honourable the Senate has the honour to invite the Honourable the House of Assembly to appoint five Members to the Joint Select Committee.

Dated the 31st day of May, 2019.

R. L. CHELTENHAM  
President

### **PAPERS**

Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic by command on behalf of the Hon. W. A. Abrahams laid the following: Barbados National Energy Policy 2019.

Hon. R. R. Straughn by command on behalf of the Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley laid the following:

1. Duties, Taxes and Other Payments (Exemption) (The Barbados Diabetes Foundation) Order, 2019.
2. Duties, Taxes and Other Payments (Exemption) (Barbados Council for the Disabled) Order, 2019.
3. Financial Institutions (Business Transfer) (Bank of Nova Scotia) Vesting Order, 2019.
4. The Barbados International Business Promotion Corporation Inc. (Invest Barbados) Annual Report for the Financial Year April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018.

### **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

#### **SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS**

On the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey Standing Orders 6, 16, 18, 20, 42(5), 43 and 44 were suspended for the remainder of the Sitting.

### **GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**

#### **ORDER NO. 5**

#### **VALUE ADDED TAX (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2019**

On the Order being called for Hon. R. R. Straughn to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Value Added Tax Act, Cap. 87,

the Hon. Member spoke and moved seconded by Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde that the Bill be read a second time.

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.

### **SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey the Sitting was suspended until 2.00 p.m.

At 12.30 p.m. Mr. Speaker suspended the Sitting.

### **RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

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

Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic gave notice of the Anti-Terrorism (Amendment) Bill, 2019 and the Customs (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill, 2019.

### **FIRST READINGS OF BILLS**

On the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. C. McD. Griffith the Anti-Terrorism (Amendment) Bill, 2019 was read a first time.

On the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands the Customs (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill, 2019 was read a first time.

**GOVERNMENT BUSINESS (resumed)**  
**ORDER NO. 5 (resumed)**

Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands spoke.  
 His Honour G. A. Clarke spoke.  
 Bishop J. J. S. Atherley spoke.  
 Hon. D. G. Sutherland spoke.  
 Hon. I. A. Weir began to speak.  
 Mr. Speaker spoke.  
 Hon. I. A. Weir resumed his speech.  
 Bishop J. J. S. Atherley spoke on a point of order.  
 Hon. I. A. Weir resumed his speech.  
 Mr. Speaker spoke.  
 Hon. I. A. Weir concluded his speech.

**SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey the Sitting was suspended until 4.45 p.m.  
 At 4.30 p.m. Mr. Speaker suspended the Sitting.

**RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

**APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES**

Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic spoke and moved seconded by Hon. C. E. Jordan that Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill be appointed temporary Chairman of Committees.  
 Mr. Speaker spoke.  
 The motion was passed.

**ORDER NO. 5 (resumed)**

Hon. R. R. Straughn spoke in reply.  
 The Bill was read a second time.  
 On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips the House went into Committee, Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill in the Chair.  
 Clauses 1 to 2 were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips.  
 On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn 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. R. R. Straughn seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

**ORDER NO. 9**

**CUSTOMS (AMENDMENT) (NO. 2) BILL, 2019**

On the Order being called for Hon. D. D. Marshall to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Customs Act, Cap. 66,  
 the Hon. Member spoke, sought and obtained leave to introduce the Bill in a cognate debate with the Anti-Terrorism (Amendment) Bill, 2019.

Hon. D. D. Marshall spoke and moved seconded by Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde that the Customs (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill be read a second time.  
 Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.  
 Hon. D. D. Marshall spoke in reply.  
 The motion was passed.

On the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips the House went into Committee, Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 5 were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips.

On the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall 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. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

**ORDER NO. 8**  
**ANTI-TERRORISM (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2019**

On the Order being called for Hon. D. D. Marshall to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Anti-Terrorism Act and to alter the Constitution to the extent necessary to give effect to certain provisions of that Act,

the Hon. Member moved, seconded by Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde that the Bill be read a second time.

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall 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 12, the First Schedule and Second Schedule (as amended) were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips.

On the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde 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 Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to the House voting as follows:

Ayes: Honourables Miss M. A. Mottley, Lt. Col. J. D. Bostic, D. D. Marshall, G. W. Payne, R. St. C. Toppin, Miss C. Y. Forde, T. A. Prescod, E. G. Hinkson, D. G. Sutherland, Dr. W. F. Duguid, Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, I. A. Weir, A. R. Forde, R. R. Straughn, K. D. M. Humphrey, C. E. Jordan, P. R. Phillips and C. McD. Griffith, Bishop J. J. S. Atherley, His Honour G. A. Clarke and Messrs. R. A. Thorne, G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill and N. G. H. Rowe.

**STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS**

Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley made a statement concerning LIAT.

**NOMINATIONS TO JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE ON  
DATA PROTECTION BILL, 2019**

Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic announced that the Hon. D. D. Marshall, Bishop J. J. S. Atherley, Hon. D. G. Sutherland, Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands and Mr. N. G. H. Rowe were appointed to the Committee.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. G. W. Payne the House was adjourned to Tuesday, 18th June, 2019 at 10.00 a.m.

At 6.44 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  
PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS  
BRIDGETOWN.

# **HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY**

## **FIRST SESSION OF 2018 – 2023**

---

### **MINUTES**

Tuesday, 4th June, 2019.

---

Government Printing Department.