



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

The Honourable The Senate

The Senate met in the Senate Chamber, Parliament Buildings on Wednesday the 19th day of December, 2018 at 11.00 o'clock a.m.

PRESENT

His Honour Senator Dr. Sir Richard L. Cheltenham, KA, Q.C., Ph.D., J.P., B.Sc. (Econ.) (*President*)

His Honour Senator R. N. Greenidge, LL.B. (*Deputy President*)

Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott, M.B., B.S.,
F.R.C.S. (Edin.), J.P. (*Minister of Foreign
Affairs and Foreign Trade*) (*Leader of the
Senate*)

Senator the Hon. Miss L. C. Moe (*Minister of
Information, Broadcasting and Public
Affairs*)

Senator the Hon. Miss K. S. McConney (*Minister of
Innovation, Science and Smart Technology*)

Senator Dr. R. O. Springer, B.A., M.A., Ph.D.
(*Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of
Education, Technological and Vocational
Training*)

Senator R. W. Grant, J.P., B.A. (Econ.), LL.B., PG
Dip. MA

Senator Miss L. R. Cummins, B.Sc., M.Sc.

Senator Dr. C. K. M. Haynes, M.B.B.S.

Senator D. R. Sands, LL.B. (Hons.)

Senator C. A. Franklyn, J.P.

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

Senator the Hon. L. E. Nurse, F.C.A., F.C.C.A.

Senator Dr. C. A. Maynard, M.B.B.S., FRCS (ENT)

Senator Ms. M. C. Taitt, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.)
M.B.A.

Senator Miss T. N. S-A. Moore, M.B.A.

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

Senator Miss A. M. Wiggins, J.P., B.Sc.

and

Senator Rev. J. A. Rogers, B.Sc., B.A. (Hons.), M.Phil

ABSENT

Senator Miss L. P. Holder, M.B.A., M.Sc. and Senator R. J. H. Adams, B.Sc. (Econ.), M.Sc. (Political
Sociology)

Prayers were led by Rev. Cannon Errington Massiah.

MESSAGES FROM HER EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL

Mr. President read the following:

MESSAGE NO. /2018



HER EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL

to

THE HONOURABLE THE SENATE

Her Excellency the Governor-General has the honour to inform The Honourable The Senate that, in accordance with Section 36(4) of the Constitution, The Rev. Father John Augustine Rogers, has been appointed to be a member of the Senate, with effect from 14th December, 2018.

S. MASON
Governor-General.

Government House
BARBADOS
14th December, 2018.

Mr. President invited Senator the Rev. John Augustine Rogers to take his seat in the Senate.

Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott spoke.

Senator Ms. M. C. Taitt spoke.

Senator C. A. Franklyn spoke.

Senator K. J. Boyce spoke.

Senator Miss A. M. Wiggins spoke.

Senator Dr. C. A. Maynard spoke.

Mr. President spoke.

Senator Rev. J. A. Rogers spoke.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT

Mr. President informed that he was in receipt of excuses for absence for Senators Miss L. P. Holder and R. J. H. Adams. He also informed that he was in receipt of a late excuse from Miss T. N. S-A Moore.

MOTIONS RELATING TO THE BUSINESS OF THE SENATE

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott Standing Orders 22(1) and 45(2) were suspended for the remainder of the Sitting.

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott by command laid the following:

1. National Insurance and Social Security (Collection of Contributions) (Amendment) Regulations, 2018; and
2. Severance Payments (Fund Contribution) (Amendment) Regulations, 2018.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott gave notice of the following:

1. Immigration (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill, 2018.
2. Income Tax (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill, 2018.
3. Tax on Remittances (Repeal) Bill, 2018.

4. Severance and Unemployment Contribution Validation (Amendment) Bill, 2018.
5. Occupational Training (Amendment) Bill, 2018.
6. Severance Payments (Amendment) Bill, 2018.
7. National Insurance and Social Security (Amendment) Bill, 2018.
8. Resolution to approve in accordance with Section 5 of the *Land Acquisition Act*, Cap. 228, the compulsory acquisition by the Crown of the parcels of land situate at Speightstown in the parish of Saint Peter in the Island for the public purpose, namely to facilitate the Salt Pond Drainage Improvement Phase II Project.

FIRST READINGS OF BILLS

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the following Bills were read a first time:

1. International Companies (Repeal) Bill, 2018.
2. Business Companies (Economic Substance) Bill, 2018.
3. Companies (Amendment) Bill, 2018.
4. Corporate and Trust Service Providers (Amendment) Bill, 2018.
5. Foreign Currency Permits Bill, 2018.
6. Property Transfer Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2018.
7. Shipping Corporations (Amendment) Bill, 2018.
8. Societies with Restricted Liability (Amendment) Bill, 2018.
9. Stamp Duty (Amendment) Bill, 2018.
10. Trusts (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill, 2018.
11. Value Added Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2018.
12. Financial Institutions (Amendment) Bill, 2018.
13. Insurance (Amendment) Bill, 2018.
14. Immigration (Amendment) Bill, 2018.
15. Customs (Amendment) Bill, 2018.
16. Immigration (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill, 2018.
17. Income Tax (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill, 2018.
18. Tax on Remittances (Repeal) Bill, 2018.
19. Severance and Unemployment (Validation) Bill, 2018.
20. Occupational Training (Amendment) Bill, 2018.
21. Severance Payments (Amendment) Bill, 2018.
22. National Insurance and Social Security (Amendment) Bill, 2018.

PUBLIC BUSINESS

By motion Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott sought leave to introduce Order Nos. 3 to 15 and 19 and 20 on the Order Paper in a cognate debate.

Senator C. A. Franklyn spoke.

Senator Dr. C. K. M. Haynes spoke.

Senator C. A. Franklyn began to speak on a point of order.

Mr. President spoke.

Senator C. A. Franklyn resumed his point of order.

Mr. President spoke.

Senator C. A. Franklyn concluded his point of order.

The motion was passed.

ORDER NO. 3

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS COMPANIES (REPEAL) BILL, 2018

On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to repeal the International Business Companies Act, Cap. 77,

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

Senator Miss C. N. Drakes spoke.

Senator Miss A. M. Wiggins spoke.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Sitting was suspended until 2.30 p.m.

At 1.15 p.m. Mr. President suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. President resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 3 (resumed)

Senator the Hon. Miss K. S. McConney spoke.

His Honour the Deputy President spoke.

Senator the Hon. L. E. Nurse spoke.

Senator Dr. C. K. M. Haynes spoke.

Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, His Honour Deputy President in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 7 were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Chairman of Committee reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to the President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 4

BUSINESS COMPANIES (ECONOMIC SUBSTANCE) BILL, 2018

On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott 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 spoke and moved that the Bill be read a second time.

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, His Honour Deputy President in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 4; 5 to 10; 11 to 14 and 15 to 20 were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Chairman of Committee reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to the President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 5

COMPANIES (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2018

On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Companies Act, Cap. 308,

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

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, His Honour Deputy President in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 5 were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Chairman of Committee reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to the President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 6

CORPORATE AND TRUST SERVICE PROVIDERS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2018

On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Corporate and Trust Service Providers Act, (Act 2015-12),

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

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, His Honour Deputy President in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 6 were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Chairman of Committee reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to the President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 7

FOREIGN CURRENCY PERMITS BILL, 2018

On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to provide for the grant of foreign currency permits and for related matters, the Hon. Member spoke and moved that the Bill be read a second time.

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, His Honour Deputy President in the Chair.

Part 1 (Clauses 1 to 2); Part 2 (Clauses 3 to 12); The First and Second Schedules were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Chairman of Committee reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to the President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 8

PROPERTY TRANSFER TAX (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2018

On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Property Transfer Tax Act, Cap. 84A, the Hon. Member spoke and moved that the Bill be read a second time.

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, His Honour Deputy President in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 3 were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Chairman of Committee reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to the President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 9

SHIPPING CORPORATIONS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2018

On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Shipping Corporation Act, Cap. 296B, the Hon. Member spoke and moved that the Bill be read a second time.

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, His Honour Deputy President in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 4 were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Chairman of Committee reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to the President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 10

SOCIETIES WITH RESTRICTED LIABILITY (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2018

On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Societies with Restricted Liability Act, Cap. 318B, the Hon. Member spoke and moved that the Bill be read a second time.

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, His Honour Deputy President in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 10 were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Chairman of Committee reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to the President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 11

STAMP DUTY (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2018

On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Stamp Duty Act, Cap. 91,

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

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, His Honour Deputy President in the Chair.

Clause 1 was called and passed on the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott.

Clause 2 was called.

Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott moved an amendment thereto.

The amendment was passed.

Clauses 3 to 4 were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Chairman of Committee reported the passing of the Bill in Committee with amendment to the President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

The appropriate Message to the Honourable the House to be transmitted.

ORDER NO. 12

TRUSTS (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) BILL, 2018

On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to provide for the creation of certain trusts and for related matters,

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

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, His Honour Deputy President in the Chair.

Part 1 (Clauses 2 to 3); Part 2 (Clauses 4 to 7); Part 3 (Clauses 8 to 13); Part 4 (Clauses 14 to 17); Part 5 (Clauses 18 to 24); Part 6 (Clause 25) and Part 7 (Clauses 26 to 27) were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Chairman of Committee reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to the President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 13

VALUE ADDED TAX (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2018

On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott 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 that the Bill be read a second time.

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, His Honour Deputy President in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 5 were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Chairman of Committee reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to the President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 14

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2018

On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Financial Institutions Act, Cap. 324A,

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

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, His Honour Deputy President in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 37 and the Schedule were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Chairman of Committee reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to the President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 15

INSURANCE (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2018

On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Insurance Act, Cap. 310,

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

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, His Honour Deputy President in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 11; 12 to 22 and the Schedule were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Chairman of Committee reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to the President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 19

INCOME TAX (AMENDMENT) (NO. 2) BILL, 2018

On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Income Tax Act, Cap. 73,

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

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, His Honour Deputy President in the Chair.

Clause 1, Clauses 2 to 11 and 12 to 17 were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Chairman of Committee reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to the President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 20

TAX ON REMITTANCES (REPEAL) BILL, 2018

On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to repeal the Tax on Remittances Act,

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

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, His Honour Deputy President in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 3 were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Chairman of Committee reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to the President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Sitting was suspended until 5.15 p.m.

At 4.35 p.m. Mr. President suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. President resumed the Chair.

Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott sought and obtained leave to introduce Orders Nos. 21 to 24 in a cognate debate.

ORDER NO. 21

SEVERANCE AND UNEMPLOYMENT CONTRIBUTIONS VALIDATION (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2018

On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to validate the increase in the rate of unemployment contributions and the suspension of the collection of severance contributions for the period commencing on 1st January, 2018 to the commencement of this Act,

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

Senator C. A. Franklyn spoke.

Senator Miss T. N. S-A. Moore spoke.

Senator Dr. C. A. Maynard began to speak.

Senator Dr. C. K. M. Haynes spoke on a point of order.

Mr. President spoke.

Senator Dr. C. A. Maynard concluded his speech.

Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, His Honour Deputy President in the Chair.

Clause 1 was called and passed on the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott.

Clause 2 was called.

Senator Ms. M. C. Taitt spoke.

Clause 2 was passed on the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott.

Clause 3 was called.

Senator Ms. M. C. Taitt spoke.

Clause 3 was passed on the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Chairman of Committee reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to the President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 22

OCCUPATIONAL TRAINING (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2018

On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Occupational Training Act, Cap. 42,

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

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, His Honour Deputy President in the Chair.

Clause 1 was called and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott.

Clause 2 was called.

Senator Ms. M. C. Taitt spoke.

Mr. Deputy President spoke.

Senator Ms. M. C. Taitt spoke.

Mr. Deputy President spoke.

Senator Ms. M. C. Taitt spoke.

Clause 2 was passed.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Chairman of Committee reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to the President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 23**SEVERANCE PAYMENTS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2018**

On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Severance Payments Act, Cap. 355A, the Hon. Member spoke and moved that the Bill be read a second time.

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, His Honour Deputy President in the Chair.

Clause 1 was called and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott.

Clause 2 was called.

Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott moved the passing of Clause 2.

Senator Miss T. N. S-A. Moore spoke.

Senator C. A. Franklyn began to speak.

Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott spoke when Senator C. A. Franklyn gave way.

Senator C. A. Franklyn concluded his speech.

Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott spoke.

Clause 2 was passed.

Clause 3 was called.

Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott moved the passing of Clause 3.

Senator Ms. M. C. Taitt spoke.

Clauses 3 was passed.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Chairman of Committee reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to the President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 24**NATIONAL INSURANCE AND SOCIAL SECURITY (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2018**

On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the National Insurance and Social Security Act, Cap. 47,

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

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, His Honour Deputy President in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 2 were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott.

Clause 3 was called.

Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott moved the passing.

Senator Ms. M. C. Taitt spoke.

Clause 3 was passed.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Chairman of Committee reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to the President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott the Sitting was suspended until 7.05 p.m.

At 6.55 p.m. Mr. President suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. President resumed the Chair.

Senator the Hon. Miss L. C. Moe sought and obtained leave to introduce Orders Nos. 16, 17 and 18 in a cognate debate.

ORDER NO. 16**IMMIGRATION (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2018**

On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Miss L. C. Moe to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Immigration Act, Cap. 190,

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

Senator C. A. Franklyn spoke.

Senator R. W. Grant began to speak.

Mr. President vacated the Chair in favour of His Honour the Deputy President.

Senator R. W. Grant spoke.

Mr. President resumed the Chair.

Senator K. J. Boyce spoke.

Senator Miss L. R. Cummins spoke.

His Honour the Deputy President spoke.

Senator the Hon. Miss L. C. Moe spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss L. C. Moe the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, His Honour Deputy President in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 2 were called.

Clause 3 was called.

Senator the Hon. Miss L. C. Moe moved the passing.

Senator Miss M. C. Taitt spoke.

The motion was passed.

Clauses 4 to 6 were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Miss L. C. Moe.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss L. C. Moe the Chairman of Committee reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to the President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Miss L. C. Moe the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 17

CUSTOMS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2018

On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Miss L. C. Moe to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Customs Act, Cap. 66 to revise the provisions of the Act with respect to the submission and receipt of advance passenger information and to provide for other related matters, the Hon. Member spoke and moved that the Bill be read a second time.

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss L. C. Moe the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, His Honour Deputy President in the Chair.

Clause 1 was called and passed on the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss L. C. Moe.

Clause 2 was called.

Senator the Hon. Miss L. C. Moe spoke and moved an amendment thereto.

Senator Rev. J. A. Rogers spoke.

Clause 2 as amended was passed.

Clauses 3 to 7 were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Miss L. C. Moe.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss L. C. Moe the Chairman of Committee reported the passing of the Bill in Committee with amendments to the President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Miss L. C. Moe the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

The appropriate Message to be transmitted to the Honourable the House.

ORDER NO. 18

IMMIGRATION (AMENDMENT) (NO. 2) BILL, 2018

On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Miss L. C. Moe to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Immigration Act, Cap. 190 to revise the list of prohibited persons who are denied entry into Barbados,

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

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss L. C. Moe the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, His Honour Deputy President in the Chair.

Clause 1 was called.

Senator the Hon. Miss L. C. Moe moved the passing.

Senator the Hon. Miss L. C. Moe spoke.

Clause 1 was passed.

Clauses 2 to 5 were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Miss L. C. Moe.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss L. C. Moe the Chairman of Committee reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to the President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Miss L. C. Moe the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

The appropriate message to be transmitted to the Honourable the House.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY HIS HONOUR THE PRESIDENT

Mr. President read the following:

MESSAGE

from

THE HONOURABLE THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

to

THE HONOURABLE THE SENATE

The Honourable the House of Assembly has the honour to inform the Honourable the Senate that on the 18th day of December, 2018 the Honourable the House of Assembly committed the following Bill:

Public Finance Management Bill, 2018

to a Joint Select Committee of the two Houses comprising seven Members of the Honourable the House of Assembly and four Members of the Honourable the Senate 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 fulfils the expressed objects of improving the management of public finance in Barbados.
2. To examine whether the Bill as drafted will upon effective implementation contribute to an ethos of compliance with the financial rules in government affairs; 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 House of Assembly has appointed the following Members to the Joint Select Committee:

Hon. Dale D. Marshall, Q.C., LL.B., (Hons.) L.E.C.
Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs

Hon. Wilfred A. Abrahams, LL.B.
Minister of Energy and Water Resources

Hon. Colin E. Jordan, B.Sc. (Hons.)
Minister of Labour and Social Partnership Relations

Hon. Kirk D. M. Humphrey, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.P.A.
Minister of Maritime Affairs and the Blue Economy

Hon. Ryan R. Straughn, B.Sc., M.Sc.
Minister in the Ministry of Finance

Mr. Ralph A. Thorne, Q.C., LL.B., L.E.C., Dip. Theology

Bishop Joseph J. S. Atherley, J.P., B.A., B.Sc., PgD.
Leader of the Opposition

Dated the 18th day of December, 2018.

Arthur E. Holder
Speaker.

The Senate agreed to the appointment of Senators the Hon. Miss K. S. McConney, Dr. R. O. Springer, Miss C. N. Drakes and A. M. Wiggins.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting of Wednesday, the 12th December, 2018 were taken as read and were approved.

ADJOURNMENT

Senator the Hon. Mr. J. X. Walcott spoke and moved that the Senate be adjourned *sine die*.

Senator C. A. Franklyn spoke.

Senator Ms. M. C. Taitt spoke.

Mr. President spoke.

The motion was passed.

At 9.17 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 _____, 2018.

President.

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