



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 18th day of July, 2017, pursuant to the adjournment.

PRESENT

- His Honour M. A. Carrington, Q.C., B.A., LL.B. (*Speaker*)
Her Honour Mrs. M-J. M. Thompson, B.A., M.Sc. (Ph.Ed.) (*Deputy Speaker*)
Mr. G. A. Clarke, J.P., B.Sc., Dip. Ed.
Mr. R. St.C. Toppin, LL.B. (Hons.)
Hon. D. St. E. Kellman (*Minister of Housing, Lands and Rural Development*)
Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P.
Hon. R. D. Jones, J.P., B.A. (Hons.), M.A. Ed. (*Minister of Education, Science, Technology and Innovation*)
Dr. the Hon. D. C. Estwick, B.Sc., M.B., B.S. (*Minister of Agriculture, Food, Fisheries and Water Resource Management*)
Mr. D. D. Marshall, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C.
Hon. M. A. Lashley, LL.B. (Hons.) (*Minister of Transport and Works*)
Hon. R. L. Sealy, B.Sc., M.B.A. (*Minister of Tourism and International Transport*)
Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart, Q.C., B.A., LL.M. (*Prime Minister, Minister of National Security, The Public Service and Urban Development*)
Hon. J. D. E. Boyce, M.Sc., C. Eng. (*Minister of Health*) (*Leader of the House*)
Hon. S. D. Blackett (*Minister of Social Care, Constituency Empowerment and Community Development*)
Mr. J. D. Paul, B.Sc. (*Chairman of Committees*)
Dr. the Hon. D. S. Lowe, Dip. Theology, B.A., M.Ed., Ed.D. (*Minister of Environment and Drainage*)
Hon. A. D. Brathwaite, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.) (*Attorney General and Minister of Home Affairs*)
Hon. S. A. Lashley, B.Sc., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (*Minister of Culture, Sports and Youth*)
Hon. D. O'N. Inniss, B.Sc., M.B.A. (*Minister of Industry, International Business, Commerce and Small Business Development*)
Hon. C. P. Sinckler, B.A., M.Sc. (*Minister of Finance and Economic Affairs*)
Mr. T. A. Prescod, B.A.
Lt. Col. J. D. Bostic, MVO, B.A. (Hons.)
Mr. E. G. Hinkson, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M.
Mr. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.)
Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.)

ABSENT

Rt. Hon. O. S. Arthur, M.Sc. (Econ.), Mr. G. W. Payne, Q.C., Miss M. A. Mottley, Q.C., LL.B. (*Leader of the Opposition*), Mr. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B. and Dr. M. M. Agard, J.P., B.Sc., M.Sc., D.D.S. (on leave).

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, 11th July, 2017 were taken as read and were confirmed on the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart.

PAPERS

Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart by command laid the following:

Electric Light and Power (Fees) Regulations, 2017.

FIRST READINGS OF BILLS

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Dr. the Hon. D. C. Estwick the Value Added Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2017 was read a first time.

ORDERS OF THE DAY**SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS**

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart Standing Orders 6, 16, 18, 20, 42(5), 43 and 44 were suspended for the remainder of the Sitting.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**ORDER NO. 14****OFFSHORE PETROLEUM (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2017**

On the Order being called for Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Offshore Petroleum Act,

the Hon. Member spoke and moved seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce that the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. D. G. Sutherland spoke.

Dr. the Hon. D. S. Lowe spoke.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart the Sitting was suspended to 2.30 p.m.

At 12.50 p.m. the Speaker suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker in the Chair.

ORDER NO. 14 (resumed)

Hon. D. St. E. Kellman spoke.

Hon. J. D. E. Boyce spoke.

Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw began to speak.

Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart spoke on a point of order.

Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw concluded her speech.

Hon. S. A. Lashley spoke.

Hon. R. L. Sealy spoke.

Hon. D. O'N. Inniss spoke.

Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce the House went into Committee, Mr. J. D. Paul in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 5 were called and passed on the separate motion of Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce.

On the motion of Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce 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 Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart the House was adjourned to Tuesday, 25th July, 2017 at 10.00 a.m.

At 5.29 p.m. the Speaker adjourned the House.

RICHARD P. BYER
Deputy Clerk of Parliament.

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the _____ day of _____, 2017.

Speaker.

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