MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
OF
The Senate

The Senate met in the Senate Chamber, Parliament Buildings on Monday, the 23rd day of March, 2015 at 11.00 o’clock a.m.

PRESENT

Her Honour Senator Miss Kerryann F. Ifill, B.Sc. (Hons.), M.B.A. (President)
His Honour Senator the Very Reverend H. E. Crichlow, G.C.M., B.A. (Hons.) Dunelm (Deputy President)

Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean, B.Sc. (Hons.), M.A., M.B.A. (Minister of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade) (Leader of the Senate)

Senator Dr. the Hon. E. R. Byer, M.B., B.S. (Minister of Labour, Social Security and Human Resource Development)

Senator the Hon. D. W. Boyce, B.Sc. (Econ.), M.B.A. (Fin.), CMA, F.C.A. (Minister in the Office of the Prime Minister)

Senator the Hon. P. M. T. Todd, B.Sc. (Minister of State in the Office of the Prime Minister)

Senator Mrs. V. I. Sandiford-Garner, CIM, Dip. Mng., M.B.A. (Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Tourism and International Transport)


Senator J. Ince, J.P., BB.A., M.B.A., DIP (Mgmt.) (Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs)

Senator R. A. Hunte, J.P.

Senator Rev. Dr. D. L. Durant, D.D. (Hons.)

Senator A. R. Worrell, B.A. (Hons.)

Senator Miss V. A. G. De Peiza, B.Sc. (Hons.), LL.M. (Merit)

Senator Dr. J. X. Walcott, M.B., B.S., F.R.C.S. (Edin.), J.P.

Senator W. A. Abrahams, LL.B. (Hons.)

Senator Sir Roy Trotman, K.A., M.A.

Senator Prof. Emeritus Sir Henry Fraser, K.A., G.C.M., B.Sc., MBBS, Ph.D., FACP, FRCP

Senator Dr. Sir Trevor Carmichael, K.A., L.V.O., Q.C., B.Sc. (Econ.), M.A., Ph.D.


Senator J. A. Watson

Senator Carol Lady Haynes, B.C.H, M.B., B.S.
Prayers were led by Reverend Father Errington Massiah.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS BY HER HONOUR THE PRESIDENT**

Madam President announced that she was in receipt of the Minutes of 4th and 11th March, 2015. The Minutes were confirmed.

**PRESENTATION OF PAPERS**

By command Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean laid the following:


**MOTIONS RELATING TO THE BUSINESS OR SITTINGS OF THE SENATE AND MOVED BY A MINISTER**

Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean moved the suspension of Standing Orders 22(1) and 45(2) for the remainder of the Sitting. The motion was carried.

**INTRODUCTION/FIRST READINGS OF BILLS**

Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean moved the First Reading of the:


The motion was carried.

**PUBLIC BUSINESS**

**ORDER NO. 3**

**APPROPRIATION BILL, 2015**

Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean spoke and moved that the Bill be read a second time.

**SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean the Sitting was suspended until 2.45 p.m. At 1.29 p.m. Madam President suspended the Sitting.

**RESUMPTION**

On resumption the President resumed the Chair.

**ORDER NO. 3 (resumed)**

Senator Dr. J. X. Walcott began to speak.

Mr. Deputy President spoke on a point of order.

Senator Dr. J. X. Walcott resumed his speech.

Madam President spoke.

Senator Dr. J. X. Walcott resumed his speech.

Senator Mrs. V. I. Sandiford-Garner spoke on a point of order.

Senator Dr. J. X. Walcott concluded his speech.

**SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Senator Dr. the Hon. E. R. Byer the Sitting was suspended until 5.00 p.m. At 4.43 p.m. Madam President suspended the Sitting.

**RESUMPTION**

On resumption the President resumed the Chair.

**ORDER NO. 3 (resumed)**

Senator J. Ince spoke.

His Honour Senator the Very Reverend H. E. Crichlow spoke.

Senator R. A. Hunte spoke.

**SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean the Sitting was suspended to Tuesday, 24th March, 2015 at 10.00 a.m.

At 7.20 p.m. Madam President suspended the Sitting.
RESUMPTION (Tuesday, 24th March, 2015)

On resumption Madam President resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 3 (resumed)
Senator Miss V. A. G. De Peiza spoke.
Senator Carol Lady Haynes spoke.
Madam President spoke.
Senator A. A. Adams began to speak.
Madam President spoke.
Senator A. A. Adams resumed his speech.
His Honour Senator the Very Reverend H. E. Crichlow spoke on a point of order.
Senator A. A. Adams concluded his speech.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean the Sitting was suspended until 2.00 p.m.
At 12.49 p.m. Madam President suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Madam President resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 3 (resumed)
Senator H. A. Husbands began to speak.
Madam President spoke.
Senator H. A. Husbands concluded his speech.
Senator Prof. Emeritus Sir Henry Fraser began to speak.
Senator J. Ince spoke on a point of order.
Senator Prof. Emeritus Sir Henry Fraser resumed his speech.
Senator Dr. J. X. Walcott spoke on a point of order.
Senator Prof. Emeritus Sir Henry Fraser resumed his speech.
Senator Dr. J. X. Walcott spoke on a point of order.
Senator Prof. Emeritus Sir Henry Fraser concluded his speech.
Senator Rev. Dr. D. L. Durant spoke.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean the Sitting was suspended until 5.00 p.m.
At 4.40 p.m. Madam President suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Madam President resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 3 (resumed)
Senator the Hon. P. M. T. Todd began to speak.
Senator Dr. J. X. Walcott spoke on a point of order.
Senator the Hon. P. M. T. Todd resumed his speech.
Senator Dr. J. X. Walcott spoke on a point of order.
Senator the Hon. P. M. T. Todd concluded his speech.
Senator J. A. Watson began to speak.
Senator the Hon. D. W. Boyce spoke on a point of order.
Senator J. A. Watson resumed his speech.
Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean spoke on a point of order.
Senator J. A. Watson concluded his speech.
Senator A. R. Worrell spoke.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean the Sitting was suspended to Wednesday, 25th March, 2015 at 10.00 a.m.
At 8.07 p.m. Madam President suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION (Wednesday, 25th March, 2015)

On resumption Madam President resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 3 (resumed)
Senator Dr. Sir Trevor Carmichael spoke.
Senator Dr. the Hon. E. R. Byer spoke.
Senator Sir Roy Trotman spoke.

**SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean the Sitting was suspended until 2.15 p.m.
At 1.00 p.m. Madam President suspended the Sitting.

**RESUMPTION**

On resumption Madam President resumed the Chair.

**ORDER NO. 3 (resumed)**

Senator Mrs. V. I. Sandiford-Garner spoke.
Senator W. A. Abrahams began to speak.
Senator J. Ince spoke on a point of order.
Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean spoke on a point of order.
Senator W. A. Abrahams resumed his speech.
Senator J. Ince spoke on a point of order.
Senator W. A. Abrahams resumed his speech.
Senator J. Ince spoke on a point of order.
Senator W. A. Abrahams resumed his speech.
Senator J. Ince spoke on a point of order.
Senator W. A. Abrahams resumed his speech.
Senator J. Ince spoke on a point of order.
Senator W. A. Abrahams resumed his speech.
Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean spoke on a point of order.
Senator W. A. Abrahams resumed his speech.
Senator J. Ince spoke on a point of order.
Senator W. A. Abrahams resumed his speech.
Senator Miss V. A. G. De Peiza spoke on a point of order.
Madam President spoke.
Senator W. A. Abrahams resumed his speech.
Madam President spoke and directed that certain remarks by Senator W. A. Abrahams be struck from the record.
Senator W. A. Abrahams withdrew the remarks and resumed his speech.
Senator the Hon. P. M. T. Todd spoke on a point of order.
Senator W. A. Abrahams resumed his speech.
Senator Miss V. A. G. De Peiza spoke on a point of order.
Senator W. A. Abrahams concluded his speech.
Senator the Hon. D. W. Boyce spoke.

**SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean the Sitting was suspended until 5.45 p.m.
At 5.27 p.m. Madam President suspended the Sitting.

**RESUMPTION**

On resumption Madam President resumed the Chair.

**ORDER NO. 3 (resumed)**

Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean spoke in reply.
The Bill was read a second time.
The Bill having been certified a Money Bill, on the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean was read a third time.
On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean the Bill was read a third time and the title read and agreed to.

**ORDER NO. 4**

**BANKS (TAX ON ASSETS) (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2015**

On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean to move the second reading of the Bill entitled the Banks (Tax on Assets) (Amendment) Act, 2015, the Hon. Member spoke and moved that the Bill be read a second time.
The Bill was read a second time.
On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean the Senate resolved itself into Committee, the Deputy President in the Chair.
Clauses 1, 2, 3, were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean.
On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean the Deputy President reported the passing of the Bill in Committee and Madam President resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.
On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 5

INCOME TAX (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2015
On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean to move the second reading of the Bill entitled the Income Tax (Amendment) Act, 2015, the Hon. Member began to speak and moved that the Bill be read a second time.

SUSPENSION
Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean moved the suspension of the Senate to 7.05 p.m.
At 7.00 p.m. the President suspended the Senate.

RESUMPTION
On resumption Madam President in the Chair.

ORDER NO. 5 (resumed)
Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean resumed her speech and moved that the Bill be read a second time. The Bill was read a second time.
On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean the Senate resolved itself into Committee, the Deputy President in the Chair.
Clauses 1 and 2 were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean.
On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean the Deputy President reported the passing of the Bill in Committee and Madam President resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.
On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 6

THE CONSOLIDATION TAX (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2015
On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean to move the second reading of the Bill entitled the Consolidation Tax (Amendment) Act, 2015, the Hon. Member spoke and moved that the Bill be read a second time.
The Bill was read a second time.
On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean the Senate resolved itself into Committee, the Deputy President in the Chair.
Clauses 1 to 7 were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean.
On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean the Deputy President reported the passing of the Bill in Committee and Madam President resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.
On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.
ADJOURNMENT

Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean spoke and moved that the Senate be adjourned sine die.
Senator Sir Roy Trotman spoke.
The President spoke and at 7.20 p.m. adjourned the Senate sine die.

N. R. JONES Q.C.
Deputy Clerk of Parliament.

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the day of , 2015.

President.

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