



# MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

## The Honourable the House of Assembly

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At a meeting of the House of Assembly at the Parliament Buildings on Tuesday the 5th day of July, 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*)
- Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P.
- Hon. D. D. Marshall, Q.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 Energy and Business Development*)
- Mr. E. G. Hinkson, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M.
- 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*)
- Hon. W. A. Abrahams, LL.B. (*Minister of Home Affairs and Information*)
- Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, B.A. (Hons.), M.Sc. (*Minister of State in the Ministry of Foreign Trade and Business Development*)
- 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*) (**Online**)
- Hon. A. R. Forde, RPh. (*Minister of Environment and National Beautification*)
- 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 Health and Wellness*)
- Hon. C. E. Jordan, B.Sc. (Hons.) (*Minister of Labour and 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. (**Online**)
- Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore, M.B.A.
- 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*)
- Mr. C. D. L. Gibbs
- Mr. C. A. Lane, J.P. (*Parliamentary Secretary in the Ministry of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs*)

**ABSENT**

His Honour N. G. H. Rowe, J.P. (*Deputy Speaker*), Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, Q.C., LL.B. (*Prime Minister, Minister of Finance, Economic Affairs, Culture, Security, Public Service, CARICOM and the Development Commissions*), 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*) and Hon. Miss K. S. McConney (*Minister of Education, Technological and Vocational Training*).

Prayers were taken by Rev. Father Mark Harewood.

**MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meetings of Tuesday, 21st June, 2022 and Tuesday, 28th June, 2022 were taken as read and were confirmed on the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS BY HIS HONOUR THE SPEAKER**

Mr. Speaker announced that he was in receipt of the Auditor General's Report 2021 and the Reports of the Auditor General on the Financial Statements of the Government of Barbados for the Financial Years ending March 31, 2020 and 2021.

**PAPERS**

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw by command laid:

- Barbados National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan, 2020.

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

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw 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. 4****SAFETY AND HEALTH AT WORK (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2022**

On the Order being called for Hon. C. E. Jordan to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Safety and Health at Work Act, Cap. 356 to make better provision for the issue of certificates by the Chief Fire Officer and to extend the power to make regulations, the Hon. Member spoke and moved, seconded by Hon. D. D. Marshall that the Bill be read a second time.

**SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Miss C. Y. Forde the Sitting was suspended at 12.35 p.m. to 1.50 p.m.

**RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

**ORDER NO. 4 (resumed)**

Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore spoke.

Hon. D. G. Sutherland spoke.

Mr. T. A. Prescod began to speak.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

Mr. T. A. Prescod concluded his speech.

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

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.

Hon. A. R. Forde spoke.

Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands spoke.

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Hon. C. E. Jordan seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael the House went into Committee, Mr. P. R. Phillips in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 14 were called and passed in parts without debate on the separate motion of Hon. C. E. Jordan seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael.

On the motion of Hon. C. E. Jordan seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey 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. C. E. Jordan seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the House was adjourned to Tuesday, 19th July, 2022 at 10.00 a.m.

At 6.00 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 \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

Speaker.

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