



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

The Honourable the House of Assembly

At a hybrid meeting of the House of Assembly at the Parliament Buildings on Tuesday the 29th day of March, 2022, at 10 o'clock pursuant to the adjournment.

PRESENT

His Honour A. E. Holder, B.Sc. (Hons.), MSW, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (*Speaker*)

His Honour N. G. H. Rowe, J.P. (*Deputy 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*)

Hon. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B. (*Senior
Minister*) (*Minister of Energy and Business
Development*)

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*)

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*)

Hon. W. A. Abrahams, LL.B. (*Minister of
Home Affairs and Information*) (**Online**)

Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, B.A. (Hons.),
M.Sc. (*Minister of State in the Ministry of
Foreign Trade and Business Development*)

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*)

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.

Hon. Miss K. S. McConney (*Minister of Education,
Technological and Vocational Training*)

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*) (**Online**)

ABSENT

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*), Mr. T. A. Prescod, J.P., B.A., Mr. E. G. Hinkson, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M., 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*), Dr. the Hon. S. E. Browne, M.B.B.S. (*Minister of State in the Ministry of Health and Wellness*) and Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore, M.B.A.

Prayers were taken by Rev. Father Mark Harewood.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY HIS HONOUR THE SPEAKER

Mr. Speaker announced the presence of and welcomed a visiting delegation from the Canadian Association of Former Parliamentarians (CAFP) lead by Mr. Leo Duguay.

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

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by His Honour N. G. H. Rowe Standing Orders 6, 16, 18, 20, 42(5), 43 and 44 were suspended for the remainder of the Sitting.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**SUSPENSION**

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke and on her motion the Sitting was suspended at 10.32 a.m. to 3.00 p.m.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES (recommitted)

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw gave notice of the following:

1. Resolution that Parliament rescind the designated Account Code 316 under which the grant of \$50,000,000 was voted for the Ministry of Finance, Economic Affairs and Investment appearing on Resolution No. 2/2021 and passed by this Honourable House on 24th August, 2021.
2. Resolution that Parliament approve the allocation under Account Code 416 and to place said code under Subprogram 0142: National Insurance Department under Head 34 – Ministry of Finance, Economic Affairs and Investment appearing in Resolution No. 2/2021 approved by this Honourable House on the 24th August, 2021 and to make consequential amendments thereto.
3. Resolution to grant the sum of ONE HUNDRED AND SEVEN MILLION, SEVEN HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS from the Consolidated Fund and to place it at the disposal of the Government to supplement the Estimates 2021-2022 as shown in Supplementary Estimates No. 10, 2021-2022.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS (resumed)**ORDER NO. 6**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey the House resolved itself into Standing Finance Committee, Mr. P. R. Phillips in the Chair.

Supplementary Estimates No. 10, 2021–2022 – \$107,700,000.00

RESOLUTION that the sum of ONE HUNDRED AND SEVEN MILLION, SEVEN HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS be granted from the Consolidated Fund and be placed at the disposal of the Government to supplement the Estimates 2021–2022 as shown in the Supplementary Estimates No. 10, 2021–2022 which form the Schedule to this Resolution.

SCHEDULE

Supplementary Estimates 2021 – 2022 No. 10

HEAD	Code Number	Provision in Approved Estimates 2021 – 2022	Provision in Supplementary Estimates Nos. 1–9	Supplementary Provision Required
		Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure
		\$	\$	\$
HEAD 12 – PARLIAMENT Program 030: Parliament Subprogram 0030: Management Commission of Parliament <i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	120300030	8,691,789		1,582,579
<i>Account Code: 416 – Grants to Public Institutions</i> Subprogram 0031: Commonwealth Parliamentary Association & Exchange Visits <i>Account Code: 212 – Operating Expenses</i>	120300031	96,000	2,800,000	1,500,000
HEAD 13 – PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE Program 041: National Defence and Security Preparedness Subprogram 0043: Barbados Defence Force <i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	130410043	42,500,000		6,432,351
<i>Account Code: 416 – Grants to Public Institutions</i> Program 166: Rural Development Subprogram 0181: Rural Development Commission <i>Account Code: 416 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	131660181	3,009,280	1,735,000	1,567,649
				5,000,000

SCHEDULE – *Cont'd*Supplementary Estimates 2021 – 2022 No. 10 – *Cont'd*

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HEAD 13 – PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE – <i>Cont'd</i> Program 332: Development of Tourism Potential Subprogram 0347: Barbados Tourism Investment Inc. <i>Account Code: 416 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	133320347	2,100,000	4,583,054	20,000,000
Program 337: Investment Promotion Facilitation Subprogram 7083: Invest Barbados <i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	133377083	6,300,000		6,000,000
Program 631: Urban Development Subprogram 0534: Urban Development Commission <i>Account Code: 416 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	136310534	3,244,548		6,000,000
HEAD 15 – CABINET OFFICE Program 071: Constitutional & Statutory Authorities Subprogram 0073: Electoral and Boundaries Commission <i>Account Code: 212 – Operating Expenses</i>	150710073	5,863,339		2,000,000
HEAD 33 – MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, INFORMATION AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS Program 040: Direction and Policy Formulation Subprogram 7156: General Management and Coordination Services <i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	330407156		2,610,000	3,000,000

SCHEDULE – Cont'd

Supplementary Estimates 2021 – 2022 No. 10 – Cont'd

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HEAD 34 – MINISTRY OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC AFFAIRS AND INVESTMENT Program 124: Barbados Employment and Sustainable Transformation (BEST) Plan Subprogram 0576: Enterprise Growth Fund Limited (EGFL) Fund Managers <i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	341240576	\$	\$	\$
				5,000,000
HEAD 35 – MINISTRY OF PEOPLE EMPOWERMENT AND ELDER AFFAIRS Program 423: Personal Social Delivery Program Subprogram 0428: National Assistance Board <i>Account Code: 416 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	354230428	481,200		2,000,000
HEAD 39 – MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY Program 460: Investment, Industrial and Export Development Subprogram 0462: Barbados Investment Development Promotion <i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institutions</i> <i>Account Code: 416 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	394600462	5,627,253 3,367,029		2,500,000 2,500,000
HEAD 81 – MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT, WORKS AND WATER RESOURCES Program 517: Transport Subprogram 0527: Transport Board (Subsidy) <i>Account Code: 313 – Subsidies</i> Program 518: Barbados Water Authority Subprogram 0542: Barbados Water Authority <i>Account Code: 416 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	815170527 815180542	15,630,000 30,100,000	6,313,462 10,230,395	3,400,000 8,000,000

SCHEDULE – Concl'd**Supplementary Estimates 2021 – 2022 No. 10 – Concl'd**

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		\$	\$	\$
HEAD 82 – MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATIONAL BEAUTIFICATION Program 650: Preservation & Conservation of the Terrestrial & Marine Environment Subprogram 0386: National Conservation Commission <i>Account Code: 416 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	826500386	907,500	1,398,000	5,000,000
HEAD 87 – MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, TECHNOLOGY AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING Program 273: Tertiary Subprogram 0284: University of the West Indies <i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	872730284	95,242,944		14,400,000
HEAD 93– MINISTRY OF HOUSING, LANDS AND MAINTENANCE Program 520: Housing Program Subprogram 0533: National Housing Corporation <i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institutions</i> <i>Account Code: 416 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	935200533	200,000 2,000,000	27,475,497	5,759,573 9,140,427

**HEAD 81 – MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT, WORKS AND WATER
RESOURCES – \$11,400,000.00**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw who spoke seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, Head 81 was passed.

HEAD 12 – PARLIAMENT – \$3,134,777.00

On the motion of Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid who spoke seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, Head 12 was passed.

HEAD 93 – MINISTRY OF HOUSING, LANDS AND MAINTENANCE – \$14,900,000.00

On the motion of Hon. D. G. Sutherland who spoke seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael Head 93 was passed.

HEAD 13 – PRIME MINISTER’S OFFICE – \$45,000,000.00

Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid spoke and moved seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey that Head 13 stand part.

Ms. M. K-A. Caddle spoke.

Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid spoke in reply.

Head 13 was passed.

HEAD 87 – MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, TECHNOLOGICAL AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING – \$14,400,000.00

On the motion of Hon. Miss K. S. McConney who spoke seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael Head 87 was passed.

HEAD 82 – MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATIONAL BEAUTIFICATION – \$5,000,000.00

On the motion of Hon. A. R. Forde who spoke seconded by Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid Head 82 was passed.

HEAD 35 – MINISTRY OF PEOPLE EMPOWERMENT AND ELDER AFFAIRS – \$2,000,000.00

On the motion of Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey seconded by Hon. A. R. Forde Head 35 was passed.

HEAD 15 – CABINET OFFICE – \$2,000,000.00

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn who spoke seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey Head 15 was passed.

HEAD 33 – MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, INFORMATION AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS – \$3,000,000.00

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn who spoke seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey Head 33 was passed.

HEAD 34 – MINISTRY OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC AFFAIRS AND INVESTMENT – \$5,000,000.00

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn who spoke seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey Head 34 was passed.

HEAD 39 – MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY – \$5,000,000.00

On the motion of Hon. D. I. Ishmael who spoke seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey Head 39 was passed.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. K. D. Symmonds the Chairman reported to Mr. Speaker who resumed the Chair, the passing of the Resolution in Standing Finance Committee.

On the separate motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw the Resolution was read a first and second time and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 4

On the Order being called Hon. R. R. Straughn sought and obtained leave to introduce Orders Nos. 4 and 5 in a cognate debate.

Hon. R. R. Straughn spoke on the following Resolution:

RESOLVED that Parliament rescind the designated Account Code 316 under which the grant of \$50,000,000 was voted for the Ministry of Finance, Economic Affairs and Investment appearing on Resolution No. 2/2021 and passed by this Honourable House on 24th August, 2021, and moved seconded by Hon. K. D. Symmonds that the Resolution be approved.

The motion was passed.

ORDER NO. 5

On the Order being called, Hon. R. R. Straughn spoke on the following Resolution:

RESOLVED that Parliament approve the allocation under Account code 416 and to place said code under Subprogram 0142 National Insurance Department under Head 34 – Ministry of Finance, Economic Affairs and Investment appearing in Resolution No. 2/2021 approved by this Honourable House on 24th August, 2021 and to make consequential amendments thereto.

and moved seconded by Hon. K. D. Symmonds that the Resolution be approved.

The motion was passed.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. K. D. Symmonds the House was adjourned to Tuesday, 26th April, 2022 at 10.00 a.m.

At 4.33 p.m. Mr. Speaker adjourned the Sitting.

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

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the
, 2022.

day of

Speaker.

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FIRST SESSION OF 2022 – 2027

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