



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 25th day of April, 2023, 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*)
His Honour N. G. H. Rowe, J.P. (*Deputy Speaker*)
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| Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P. | Hon. C. McD. Griffith, B.Sc. (<i>Minister of Youth, Sports and Community Empowerment</i>) |
| Hon. D. D. Marshall, S.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (<i>Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs</i>) | Mr. P. R. Phillips, J.P. (<i>Chairman of Committees</i>) |
| Mr. T. A. Prescod, J.P., B.A. | Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill (<i>Minister of Tourism and International Transport</i>) |
| Mr. E. G. Hinkson, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M. | Hon. C. E. Jordan, B.Sc. (Hons.) (<i>Minister of Labour, Social Security and the Third Sector</i>) |
| Hon. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.) (<i>Minister of Housing, Lands and Maintenance</i>) | Dr. the Hon. S. E. Browne, M.B.B.S. (<i>Minister of State in the Ministry of Health and Wellness</i>) |
| Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (<i>Prime Minister Ag. w.e.f. from 24th April, 2023</i>) (<i>Senior Minister</i>) (<i>Minister of Transport, Works and Water Resources</i>) | Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.P.A. (<i>Minister of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs</i>) |
| Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid, J.P., B.D.S., F.D.S., F.D.R.C.S., M. Min. (<i>Senior Minister in the Prime Minister's Office</i>) | Hon. R. R. Straughn B.Sc., M.Sc. (<i>Minister in the Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs</i>) |
| Hon. W. A. Abrahams, LL.B. (<i>Minister of Home Affairs and Information</i>) | Ms. M. K-A. Caddle, B.A., M.Sc. |
| Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, B.A. (Hons.), M.Sc. (<i>Minister of State in the Ministry of Foreign Trade and Business Development</i>) | Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore, M.B.A. |
| Mr. R. A. Thorne, Q.C., LL.B., L.E.C., Dip. Theology | Hon. Miss K. S. McConney (<i>Minister of Education, Technological and Vocational Training</i>) |
| Hon. I. A. Weir, M.B.A. (<i>Minister of Agriculture, Food and Nutritional Security</i>) | Dr. R. O. Springer, J.P., Ph.D. (<i>Parliamentary Secretary in the Ministry of Transport, Works and Water Resources</i>) |
| | Hon. D. I. Ishmael, M.B.A., M.Sc. (<i>Minister of Industry, Innovation, Science and Technology</i>) |
| | Hon. C. A. Lane, J.P. (<i>Minister of State in the Office of the Attorney General</i>) |
| | Mr. C. D. L. Gibbs |

ABSENT

Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, S.C., LL.B. (*Prime Minister, Minister of Finance, Economic Affairs, Culture, Security, Public Service, CARICOM and the Development Commissions*), Hon. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B. (*Senior Minister*) (*Minister of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade*) and Hon. A. R. Forde, RPh. (*Minister of Environment and National Beautification*).

PRAYERS

Prayers were taken by Rev. Father Mark Harewood.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of Monday, 20th February, 2023 were taken as read and were confirmed on the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey.

PAPERS

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

- Loan Contract No. 5728/OC-BA (BA-L1053) - Skills for the Future II: Digital Transformation for Inclusive and Quality Education between the Government of Barbados and the Inter-American Bank.
- Caves of Barbados Limited Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements for the year ended March 31, 2021.
- Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements of the Barbados National Oil Company for the year ended March 31, 2017.
- Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements of the Barbados National Oil Company for the year ended March 31, 2018.
- Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements of the Barbados National Oil Company for the year ended March 31, 2019.
- Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements of the Barbados National Oil Company for the year ended March 31, 2020.
- Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements of the Barbados National Oil Company for the year ended March 31, 2021.

REPORTS FROM SELECT COMMITTEES

On the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall who spoke seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael the appointments following were made:

COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES

Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill.

STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE

Hon. W. A. Abrahams, Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw and Mr. P. R. Phillips.

FIRST READING OF BILLS

On the motion of Hon. I. A. Weir seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey the following Bills were read a first time.

- The Barbados Agricultural Development and Marketing Corporation (Amendment) Bill, 2023; and
- The Three Houses Spring (Management and Control) Bill, 2023.

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. 8****TRANSPORT AUTHORITY (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2023**

On the Order being called for Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Transport Authority Act, Cap. 295A to provide for the expansion of the functions of the Transport Authority and for related matters, the Hon. Member spoke and moved, seconded by Ms. M. K-A. Caddle that the Bill be read a second time.

Ms. M. K-A. Caddle spoke.

Miss C. Y. Forde spoke.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid the Sitting was suspended at 12.45 p.m. to 2.00 p.m.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 8 (resumed)

Dr. R. O. Springer spoke.

Hon. D. G. Sutherland spoke.

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the House went into Committee, Mr. P. R. Phillips in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 3 were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams 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. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw 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, 2nd May, 2023 at 10.00 a.m.

At 3.27 p.m. Mr. Speaker adjourned the Sitting.

N. R. JONES, Q.C.

Deputy Clerk of Parliament.

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the
, 2023.

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Speaker.

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