

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 6th day of February, 2018, 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)

Rt. Hon. O. S. Arthur, M.Sc. (Econ.)

Mr. G. W. Payne, Q.C.

- Mr. G. A. Clarke, J.P., B.Sc., Dip. Ed.
- Hon. D. St. E. Kellman (Minister of Housing, Lands and Rural Development)
- Miss M. A. Mottley, Q.C., LL.B. (Leader of the Opposition)
- 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, J.P. (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, GCM, 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.) and
- Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.)

ABSENT

Mr. R. St. C. Toppin, LL.B. (Hons.), Mr. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B. and Dr. M. M. Agard, J.P., B.Sc., M.Sc., D.D.S.

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 Friday, 2nd February, 2018 were deferred on the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart.

PAPERS

By command Hon. C. P. Sinckler laid:

1. Barbados Sustainable Recovery Plan, 2018.

2. Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure and Schedules of Personal Emoluments, 2018 -2019. By command Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart laid the Telecommunications (Amateur Radio) Regulations, 2017.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart moved the suspension of Standing Orders 6, 16, 18, 20, 42(5), 43 and 44 for the remainder of the day's Sitting.

The motion was carried.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS ORDER NO. 21 NATIONAL INSURANCE AND SOCIAL SECURITY (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2017

On the Order being called for Hon. C. P. Sinckler to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the National Insurance and Social Security Act, Cap. 47 to provide for a waiver of interest incurred on arrears of contributions,

the Hon. Member spoke and moved seconded by Hon. D. St. E. Kellman that the Bill be read a second time. Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart spoke.

Hon. D. St. E. Kellman spoke.

Mr. J. D. Paul spoke.

Hon. J. D. E. Boyce spoke.

Hon. S. A. Lashley spoke.

Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke in reply.

On the motion of Hon. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Hon. R. D. Jones the House went into Committee, Mr. J. D. Paul in the Chair.

Clause one (1) was called and then amended and passed on the motion of the Hon. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart.

Clause two (2) was called and on the motion of Hon. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Dr. the Hon. D. S. Lowe was amended and passed.

On the motion of Hon. C. P. Sinckler 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 Hon. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce the Bill was read a third time and passed and cited as the National Insurance and Social Security (Amendment) Act, 2018.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite the Sitting was suspended to 2.00 p.m.

At 12.22 p.m. the Speaker suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS (resumed) ORDER NO. 20

INCOME TAX (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2017

On the Order being called Hon. C. P. Sinckler to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Income Tax Act, Cap. 73 to provide for the withdrawal of contributions from annuity contracts which have been registered as registered retirement plans and for related matters,

the Hon. Member spoke and moved seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite that the Bill be read a second time. Hon. D. O'N. Inniss spoke.

Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Hon. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Hon. D. O'N. Inniss the House went into Committee, Mr. J. D. Paul in the Chair.

Clause 1 was called and amended on the motion of Hon. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Hon. D. O'N. Inniss.

On the separate motion of Hon. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Hon. D. O'N. Inniss Clauses 2 to 5 were called and passed.

On the motion of Hon. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Hon. D. O'N. Inniss 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. P. Sinckler seconded by Hon. D. O'N. Inniss the Bill was read a third time and passed and cited as the Income Tax (Amendment) Act, 2018.

ORDER NO. 19

TELECOMMUNICATIONS (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 Telecommunications (Amendment) Act, 2017,

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

Hon. A. D. Brathwaite spoke.

Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke.

Rt. Hon. O. S. Arthur spoke.

Dr. the Hon. D. S. Lowe began to speak.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

Dr. the Hon. D. S. Lowe concluded his speech.

Hon. D. St. E. Kellman spoke.

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

Mr. Speaker spoke.

Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw withdrew certain remarks and resumed her speech.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

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

Mr. Speaker spoke.

Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw withdrew certain remarks and concluded her speech.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

Hon. S. A. Lashley began to speak.

Mr. Speaker vacated the Chair in favour of the Deputy Speaker.

Hon. S. A. Lashley resumed his speech.

Mr. G. A. Clarke spoke on a point of order.

Hon. S. A. Lashley resumed his speech.

Mr. G. A. Clarke spoke on a point of order.

Hon. S. A. Lashley resumed his speech.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Hon. S. A. Lashley concluded his speech.

Mr. G. A. Clarke began to speak.

Hon. D. St. E. Kellman spoke on a point of order.

Mr. Speaker ruled no point of order.

Mr. G. A. Clarke concluded his speech.

Hon. R. D. Jones 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 (as amended) 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 cited as the Telecommunications (Amendment) Act, 2018.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES (recommitted)

Hon. J. D. E. Boyce gave notice of the Appropriation Bill, 2018.

FIRST READINGS OF BILLS (recommitted)

On the motion of Hon. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce the Appropriation Bill, 2018 was read a first time.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Hon. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart the House was adjourned to Monday, 12th February, 2018 at 10.00 a.m.

At 7.10 p.m. Mr. Speaker adjourned the Sitting.

N. R. JONES Deputy Clerk of Parliament.

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the , 2018.

day of

Speaker.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS BRIDGETOWN.

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FIRST SESSION OF 2013 – 2018

MINUTES

Tuesday, 6th February, 2018.

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