

OF

THE HONOURABLE THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

FIRST SESSION OF 2008-2013

THIRTY-THIRD SITTING

at

10:00 o'clock a.m.

on

Tuesday, 10th March, 2009

The First Session of the Parliament of 2008-2013 commenced on Tuesday, 12th February, 2008

MANAGEMENT COMMISSION OF PARLIAMENT

(Parliament (Administration) Act, Cap. 10 - Section 3(4)

The following are ex officio Members of the Commission:

His Honour M. A. Carrington (Chairman), Hon. D. J. H. Thompson, Hon. R. D. Jones and Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, Q.C.

Section 3(4) of the Parliament (Administration) Act, Cap. 10.

The following are appointed Members of the Commission:

Hon. F. J. Stuart, Hon. M. A. Lashley, Mr. D. St. E. Kellman and Mr. D. D. Marshall, Q.C.

Appointed on 12th February, 2008.

SESSIONAL SELECT COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES

To consider and report to the Honourable the House of Assembly on all matters which involve the privileges of the Honourable the House of Assembly.

The Members of the Committee are:

His Honour the Speaker (Chairman), Hon. M. A. Lashley, Mr. D. St. E.Kellman, Mr. A. D. Brathwaite, Dr. the Hon. D. S. Lowe, Dr. W. F. Duguid and Mr. H. F. Lashley.

Appointed on 12th February, 2008.

COMMITTEE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

To examine the accounts showing the appropriation of the sums grantedby Parliament to meet the public expenditure, accounts of any entities in which Government is a majority shareholder or holds a majority interest and of such other accounts laid before Parliament as the Committee may think fit.

The Members of the Committee are:

Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, Q.C. (Chairman), Hon. R. L. Sealy, Hon. Dr. D. C. Estwick, Hon. C. P. Sinckler, Dr. the Hon. D. S. Lowe, Mr. D. D.Marshall, Q.C. and Rt. Hon. O. S. Arthur.

Appointed on 12th February, 2008.

STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE

The Members of the Committee are:

His Honour the Speaker (Chairman), Hon. R. D. Jones, His Honour K. St. C. Best, Dr. the Hon. E. R. Byer Suckoo, Hon. J. D. E. Boyce, Hon. S. D.Blackett, Mr. S. A. Lashley, Mr. G. W. Payne, Q.C., Mr. R. St. C. Toppin and Mr. R. C. Eastmond.

Appointed on 12th February, 2008

LIBRARY COMMITTEE

The following are Members of this Joint Committee: *His Honour the Speaker (Chairman), Hon. P. M. T. Todd, Hon. D. O'N. Inniss, Hon. E. G. Hutson, Mr. J. D. Paul, Hon. R. L. Sealy, Miss C. Y. Forde and Mr. G. A. Clarke.*

Appointed on 12th February, 2008.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

(Standing Order 10)

"Unless the House otherwise directs, the business of each sitting day shall be transacted in the following order -

- (a) Formal entry of His Honour the Speaker.
- (b) Prayers.
- (c) Announcements by His Honour the Speaker.
- (d) Messages from His Excellency the Governor-General.
- (e) Petitions.
- (f) Papers.
- (g) Government Notices.
- (h) Private Member's Notices.
- (I) Notices of Questions.
- (j) Reports from Select Committees.
- (k) First readings of Bills.
- (l) Statements by Ministers.
- (m) Congratulatory and/or obituary speeches.
- (n) Personal Explanations.
- (o) Motions for leave of absence.
- (p) Oral replies to questions.
- (q) Notices of motions for the adjournment of the House on Matters of urgent public importance.
- (r) Orders of the day."

1. **Dr. the Hon. D. C. Estwick:** To move the Second Reading of the Barbados Water Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2008.

Notice of this Bill was given on 17th April, 2008.

The Bill was read a first time on 22nd April, 2008.

The Bill first appeared in the Official Gazette on 28th April, 2008.

2. Dr. the Hon. D. C. Estwick: To move the Second Reading of the Liquor Licences (Amendment) Bill, 2009.

Notice of this Bill was given on 30th January, 2009.

The Bill was read a first time on 10th February, 2009.

The Bill first appeared in the Official Gazette on 9th February, 2009.

3. Hon. F. J. Stuart: To move the Second Reading of the Criminal Appeal (Amendment and Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill, 2009.

Notice of this Bill was given on 6th February, 2009.

The Bill was read a first time on 10th February, 2009.

The Bill first appeared in the Official Gazette on 16th February, 2009.

4. Hon. F. J. Stuart: To move the Second Reading of the Caribbean Court of Justice (Amendment) Bill, 2009.

Notice of this Bill was given on 6th February, 2009.

The Bill was read a first time on 10th February, 2009.

The Bill first appeared in the Official Gazette on 16th February, 2009.

5. Hon. F. J. Stuart: To move the Second Reading of the Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2009.

Notice of this Bill was given on 6th February, 2009.

The Bill was read a first time on 10th February, 2009.

The Bill first appeared in the Official Gazette on 16th February, 2009.

6. Hon. D. J. H. Thompson: To move the passing of a Resolution to approve the Arts and Sport Promotion Fund (Amendment) Regulations, 2008.

Notice of this Resolution was given on 6th February, 2009.

The Bill was read a first time on 17th February, 2009.

7. Hon. D. J. H. Thompson: To move the Second Reading of the Income Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2009.

Notice of this Bill was given on 13th February, 2009.

The Bill was read a first time on 17th February, 2009.

8. Hon. M. A. Lashley: To move the Second Reading of the Bay Street (Vesting) Bill, 2009.

Notice of this Bill was given on 13th February, 2009.

The Bill was read a first time on 17th February, 2009.

9. Hon. D. J. H. Thompson: To move the passing of a Resolution to approve the guarantee by the Minister responsible for Finance of the payment of the principal sum of \$ 50 million and interest thereon to be borrowed by the Barbados Port Inc. from BNB Finance & Trust Corporation for the purpose of financing a portion of the Company's existing debt and its ongoing capital works programme.

Notice of this Resolution was given on 20th February, 2009.

10. Hon. D. J. H. Thompson: To move the Second Reading of the Property Transfer Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2009.

Notice of this Bill was given on 27th February, 2009.

The Bill was read a first time on 3rd March, 2009.

11. Hon. D. J. H. Thompson: To move the Second Reading of the Land Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2009.

Notice of this Bill was given on 27th February, 2009.

The Bill was read a first time on 3rd March, 2009.

- **12. Hon. D. J. H. Thompson:** To move the passing of a Resolution to approve:
 - (a) the borrowing under the External Loans Act Cap.
 94 D by the Government for the purpose of supporting its foreign reserves of sums up to
 \$ 150 000 000 in the currency of the United States of America in the Trinidad and Tobago capital market by way of a bond issue through Scotiatrust and Merchant Bank Limited as Lead Manager and underwriter; and
 - (b) the establishment of a sinking fund for the redemption of each bond issue made under the said Act and for the moneys necessary to maintain and service that fund.

Notice of this Resolution was given on 27th February, 2009.

- **13. Hon. R. D. Jones:** To move that the House resolve itself into Committee of Supply to consider the grant of sums of money for the service of this Island.
 - (a) Hon. R. D. Jones: To move the passing of a Resolution to grant the sum of \$ 17 712 187 from the Consolidated Fund and to place it at the disposal of the Government to supplement the Estimates 2008-2009 as shown in the Supplementary Estimates No. 21 2008-2009 which form the Schedule to the Resolution.
 - (b) Hon. R. D. Jones: To move the passing of a Resolution to grant the sum of \$ 14 894 449 from the Consolidated Fund and to place it at the disposal of the Government to supplement the Estimates 2008-2009 as shown in the Supplementary Estimates No. 22 2008-2009 which form the Schedule to the Resolution and that the Explanatory Notes to Head 53 be amended as set out in Schedule II to the Resolution.

Notice of this Resolution was given on 6th March, 2009.

QUESTIONS

N.B. Questions marked thus * are for Oral Reply

*3. Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley (St. Michael North East): To ask the Minister of the Civil Service: 1. Will the Minister please state how many temporary or acting officers are entitled to be appointed since 15th January, 2008 under the Public Service Act, 2007? 2. Will the Minister please state how many of those temporary and acting officers are entitled to be appointed pursuant to the said Public Service Act? 3. Will the Minister please give a timeframe within which those said temporary or acting officers entitled to be appointed will be appointed?

Notice of this Question was given on 3rd June, 2008.

*4. Mr. Rawle Eastmond (St. James North): To ask the Minister of Transport, Works and International Transport: 1. Is the Minister aware that the confluence of roads at Lancaster. Orange Hill and Highway 2A presents a serious danger to motorists and other road users? (a) If the Minister is aware, will the Minister state what steps, if any, are being taken to address this danger? 2. Is the Minister aware that the intersection at Westmoreland near to Gamble Hill linking these areas to Highway 2A presents a serious danger to motorists and other road users? (a) If the Minister is aware, will the Minister state what measures, if any, he proposes to implement to address this danger? 3. Is the Minister aware that at Lower Rock Dundo and Gibbes, St. Peter the road is extremely narrow, thus posing a threat to motorists and other road users? (a) If the Minister is aware, will the Minister indicate what plans, if any, are they to widen the road and to eliminate this threat and how soon these plans will be implemented? 4. Is the Minister aware that even in light rains.

there is severe flooding at Trent's Tenantry in the parish of St. James? (a) If the Minister is aware, will the Minister state what plans, if any, he has to remedy this problem? 5. Is the Minister aware that the road near Eastry House, St. Peter is too narrow and consequently dangerous? (a) If the Minister is aware, will the Minister indicate what plans, if any, he has to address this problem?

Notice of this Question was given on 1st October, 2008.

*5. Dr. W. F. Duguid (Christ Church West): To ask the Prime Minister: 1. Will the Prime Minister please state whether it is the intention of his Government to build a new hospital or refurbish the existing plant? (a) If the answer is to build a new hospital, will the Prime Minister state the cost of constructing such and how Government intends to finance such construction? (b) Alternatively, if the intention is to refurbish the existing plant, will the Prime Minister state the cost of such refurbishment?

Notice of this Question was given on 5th December, 2008.

PRIVATE MEMBERS BUSINESS

1. Mr. S. A. Lashley: To move the passing of a Resolution to take note of the Throne Speech of His Excellency the Acting Governor-General and of the determination of the Government to implement the provisions referred to therein.

Notice of this Resolution was given on 22nd February, 2008. On the 26th February, 2008 Mr. S. A. Lashley spoke and moved, seconded by Hon. R. D. Jones that the Resolution do now pass. Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley spoke.

Mr. D. St. E. Kellman spoke.

Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke.

Dr. W. F. Duguid spoke.

Further consideration was postponed.

On resumption on 4th March, 2008 Dr. the Hon. E. R. Byer Suckoo spoke.

Hon. M. A. Lashley spoke.

Dr. the Hon. D. C. Estwick spoke.

Miss C. Y. Forde spoke.

Hon. D. O'N. Inniss spoke.

Further consideration of matters was postponed.

2. Mr. H. F. Lashley: To move the passing of a Resolution to take note and place on record gratitude to Victor "Gas" Clarke for his outstanding contribution to the development of football and sports.

Notice of this Resolution was given on 4th November, 2008.

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3. Hon. Miss M.A. Mottley: To move the passing of a Resolution calling upon the Government of Barbados to acquire the Graeme Hall Nature Sanctuary to avert its closure.

Notice of this Resolution was given on 19th December, 2008.

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ORDER PAPER

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