



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 2nd day of July, 2024, at 10.00 o'clock a.m. pursuant to the adjournment.

PRESENT

- His Honour A. E. Holder, S.C., B.Sc. (Hons.), MSW, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (*Speaker*)
Her Honour Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P. (*Deputy Speaker*)
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| Hon. D. D. Marshall, S.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (<i>Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs</i>) (<i>Senior Minister</i>) | Hon. I. A. Weir, M.B.A. (<i>Minister of Agriculture, Food and Nutritional Security</i>) |
| Hon. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.) (<i>Minister of Housing, Lands and Maintenance</i>) | Mr. P. R. Phillips, J.P. (<i>Chairman of Committees</i>) |
| Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (<i>Deputy Prime Minister</i>) (<i>Senior Minister</i>) (<i>Minister of Transport and Works</i>) (<i>Leader of Government Business</i>) | Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill (<i>Minister of Tourism and International Transport</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</i>) (<i>Minister of Planning and Development in the Prime Minister's Office</i>) | Hon. C. E. Jordan, B.Sc. (Hons.) (<i>Minister of Labour, Social Security and Third Sector</i>) |
| Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, B.A. (Hons.), M.Sc. (<i>Minister of State in the Ministry of Education, Technological and Vocational Training</i>) | Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.P.A. (<i>Minister of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs</i>) |
| | Hon. Miss K. S. McConney (<i>Minister of Education, Technological and Vocational Training</i>) |
| | Dr. R. O. Springer, J.P., Ph.D. (<i>Parliamentary Secretary in the Ministry of Transport and Works</i>) |
| | Hon. D. I. Ishmael, M.B.A., M.Sc. (<i>Minister of State in the Ministry of Health and Wellness</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*), Mr. T. A. Prescod, J.P., B.A., Hon. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B. (*Senior Minister*) (*Minister of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade*), Mr. E. G. Hinkson, S.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M., Hon. W. A. Abrahams, S.C., LL.B. (*Minister of Home Affairs and Information*), Mr. R. A. Thorne, K.C., LL.B., L.E.C., Dip. Theology (*Leader of the Opposition*), Hon. A. R. Forde, Rph. (*Minister of Environment and National Beautification and the Green and Blue Economy*), Hon. C. McD. Griffith, B.Sc. (*Minister of Youth, Sports and Community Empowerment*), Dr. S. E. Browne, M.B.B.S., Hon. R. R. Straughn, B.Sc., M.Sc. (*Minister in the Ministry of Finance*), Hon. Ms. M. K-A. Caddle, B.A., M.Sc. (*Minister of Industry, Innovation, Science and Technology*), Mr. N. G. H. Rowe, J.P. and Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore, J.P., M.B.A.

PRAYERS

Prayers were taken by Rev. Father Mark Harewood.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the meetings of Tuesday, 14th May, 2024 and Friday, 7th June, 2024 were taken as read and were confirmed on the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael.

The Minutes of the meeting of Tuesday, 25th June, 2024 were deferred on the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY HIS HONOUR THE SPEAKER

Mr. Speaker acknowledged receipt of and read the following Message from the Honourable the Senate:

MESSAGE**From****THE HONOURABLE THE SENATE****To****THE HONOURABLE THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY**

The Honourable the Senate has the honour to inform the Honourable the House of Assembly that at its sitting on **Wednesday 26th June, 2024** the **Barbados Blue Green Bank Bill, 2024** was amended in the following terms:

In **Clause 2** the definitions of “*blue economy*” and “*green economy*” were deleted respectively and the following substituted therefor:

““blue economy” means the sustainable use of ocean resources to benefit economies, livelihoods and the preservation or regeneration of ocean eco-system health;”

““green economy” means the kind of economy that reduces environmental risks and ecological threats or dangers by encouraging economic activity that preserves or regenerates the environment;”

In **Clause 28**, the words “\$100 million” were deleted and words “**\$500 million**” substituted therefor;

In **Clause 31.(2)(d)** the words “*section 23*” were deleted and the words “**section 7**” substituted therefor;

AND the Honourable the Senate transmits the amended Bill to the Honourable the House of Assembly inviting concurrence in the amendments to the Bill.

Dated the 26th day of June, 2024.

**PRESIDENT**

MESSAGES FROM HER EXCELLENCY THE PRESIDENT

Mr. Speaker read the following:

**STATE HOUSE
BARBADOS**

Ref. No. PB: 2/S. 1 A Vol. I

27th June, 2024

Dear Mr. Speaker,

I shall be away from the island on duty leave during the period 29th June, 2024 to 6th July, 2024.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 33 of the Constitution, The Very Reverend Dr. Jeffrey Douglas Gibson, will perform the functions of the Office of the President during my absence.

As The Honourable The House of Assembly will not be meeting prior to my departure, it will not be possible for the usual formal Message to be sent to your Chamber. Will you, therefore, please bring my absence formally to the attention of The Honourable The House of Assembly when next it meets.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'S. M. M.', written over a horizontal line.

PRESIDENT

*His Honour
The Speaker of The House of Assembly
Parliament Buildings
BRIDGETOWN*

PAPERS

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

- The Income Tax (Automatic Exchange of Information) (Amendment) Regulations, 2024.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES

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

- Resolution that the Honourable the House of Assembly concur in the amendments made by the Honourable the Senate to the Barbados Blue Green Bank Bill, 2024.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw who spoke, seconded by Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid the Sitting was adjourned to Tuesday, 9th July, 2024 at 10.00 a.m.

At 10.47 a.m. Mr. Speaker adjourned the Sitting.

N. R. JONES, Q.C.

Deputy Clerk of Parliament.

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the
, 2024.

day of

Speaker.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY
PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS
BRIDGETOWN.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

FIRST SESSION OF 2022 – 2027

MINUTES

Tuesday, 2nd July, 2024.

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