



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

The Honourable the House of Assembly

At a hybrid meeting of the House of Assembly at the Worthing Corporate Centre on Tuesday the 28th day of September, 2021, at 10.00 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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| Hon. R. St. C. Toppin, LL.B. (Hons.) (<i>Minister of International Business and Industry</i>) | Hon. W. A. Abrahams, LL.B. (<i>Minister of Home Affairs, Information and Public Affairs</i>) |
| Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, Q.C., LL.B. (<i>Prime Minister, Minister of Finance, Economic Affairs and Investment, Minister of National Security and the Civil Service</i>) | Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, B.A. (Hons.), M.Sc. (<i>Minister in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade</i>) |
| Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P. (<i>Minister of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs</i>) | Mr. R. A. Thorne, Q.C., LL.B., L.E.C., Dip. Theology |
| Hon. D. D. Marshall, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (<i>Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs</i>) | Hon. I. A. Weir, M.B.A. (<i>Minister of Agriculture and Food Security</i>) |
| Mr. T. A. Prescod, J.P., B.A. | Hon. A. R. Forde, RPh. (<i>Minister of Environment and National Beautification</i>) |
| Hon. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B. (<i>Minister of Energy, Small Business and Entrepreneurship</i>) (Online) | Hon. C. McD. Griffith, B.Sc. (<i>Minister in the Ministry of Water Resources</i>) |
| Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic, MVO, B.A. (Hons.), (<i>Minister of Health and Wellness</i>) | Hon. P. R. Phillips (<i>Minister in the Ministry of Housing, Lands and Maintenance</i>) |
| Mr. E. G. Hinkson, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M. (Online) | Hon. J. A. King, BSS (<i>Minister in the Prime Minister's Office</i>) |
| Hon. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.) (<i>Minister of Youth, Sports and Community Empowerment</i>) | Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill (<i>Minister of Transport, Works and Water Resources</i>) |
| Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (<i>Minister of Education, Technological and Vocational Training</i>) | Hon. C. E. Jordan, B.Sc. (Hons.) (<i>Minister of Labour and Social Partnership Relations and the Third Sector</i>) |
| Bishop J. J. S. Atherley, J.P., B.A., B.Sc., PgD. (<i>Leader of the Opposition</i>) | Dr. S. E. Browne, M.B.B.S. (<i>Chairman of Committees</i>) |
| Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid, J.P., B.D.S., F.D.S., F.D.R.C.S., M. Min. (<i>Minister of Housing, Lands and Maintenance</i>) | Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.P.A. (<i>Minister of Maritime Affairs and the Blue Economy</i>) |
| | Hon. R. R. Straughn, B.Sc., M.Sc. (<i>Minister in the Ministry of Finance</i>) |
| | Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore, M.B.A. |

ABSENT

Mr. G. W. Payne, Q.C. and Hon. Ms. M. K-A. Caddle, B.A., M.Sc. (*Minister in the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Investment*).

Prayers were taken by Rev. Father Mark Harewood.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of Tuesday, September 21, 2021 were deferred on the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey.

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

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw sought and obtained leave to withdraw the Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2021 notice of which was given on 20th September, 2021 and substitute a new Bill.

ORDER NO. 6**CONSTITUTION (AMENDMENT) (NO.) BILL, 2021**

On the Order being called for Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to alter the Constitution in order to:

- (a) provide for Barbados to become a republic with a President who shall be Head of State of Barbados; and
- (b) to provide for related matters,

the Hon. Member spoke and moved, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey that the Bill be read a second time. Bishop J. J. S. Atherley spoke.

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

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey the Sitting was suspended to 3.00 p.m.

At 1.40 p.m. Mr. Speaker suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 6 (resumed)

Hon. D. D. Marshall spoke.

Mr. E. G. Hinkson spoke.

Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore spoke.

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

Mr. T. A. Prescod spoke.

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands spoke.

Hon. J. A. King spoke.

Hon. I. A. Weir spoke.

Dr. S. E. Browne spoke.

Hon. R. R. Straughn spoke.

Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the House went into Committee, Dr. S. E. Browne in the Chair.

Part 1 (Clauses 1 to 19); Part 2 (Clauses 20 to 30) (as amended) the First, Second and Third Schedules were called and passed.

On the motion of Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley 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 motion of Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Bill was read a third time.

On the motion of Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Bill was passed and the title read and agreed to the House voting as follows:

Ayes: Honourables Miss M. A. Mottley, Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, D. D. Marshall, A. R. Forde, R. R. Straughn, Dr. W. F. Duguid, I. A. Weir, Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, W. A. Abrahams, P. R. Phillips, Miss C. Y. Forde, C. E. Jordan, K. D. Symmonds, C. McD. Griffith, R. St. C. Toppin, Lt. Col. J. D. Bostic, K. D. M. Humphrey, D. G. Sutherland, J. A. King and G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill, Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore, His Honour N. G. H. Rowe, Mr. T. A. Prescod, Bishop J. J. S. Atherley and Dr. S. E. Browne.

Noes: Nil.

MESSAGES FROM HER EXCELLENCY
THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL (recommitted)

Mr. Speaker read the following:



GOVERNMENT HOUSE
BARBADOS

MESSAGE No. /2021

HER EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL

TO

THE HONOURABLE THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

*Her Excellency, The Governor-General has the honour to inform
The Honourable The House of Assembly of the following:*

*Section 28A.(1) of the Emergency Management Act, CAP. 160A
states that:*

*Where the Governor General is satisfied that an emergency has
arisen as a result of a person or an animal having a communicable
disease or a notifiable disease, the Governor-General may by
proclamation, on the advice of the Prime Minister after the Prime
Minister has consulted or has been advised by the Chief Medical
Officer, declare that a public health emergency exists.*

*Her Excellency further has the honour to inform The Honourable The
House of Assembly that, in accordance with Section 28A.(3) of the said
CAP. 160A, she has declared a Public Health Emergency.*

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'S. J. ...'.

GOVERNOR-GENERAL

GOVERNMENT HOUSE
BARBADOS

28th SEPTEMBER, 2021

PAPERS (recommitted)

Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley by command laid:

Statement in the matter of the National Vaccination Fund and Barbados' Acquisition of Vaccines.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the House was adjourned to Tuesday, 5th October, 2021 at 10.00 a.m.

At 7.50 p.m. Mr. Speaker adjourned the Sitting.

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

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the _____ day of _____, 2021.

Speaker.

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