



# MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

## The Honourable The Senate

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The Senate met in the Senate Chamber, Parliament at the Parliament Buildings on Wednesday the 1st day of February, 2023, at 11.00 o'clock a.m.

### PRESENT

His Honour Senator R. R. Farley, J.P., B.Sc., C.P.A., C.M.A. (*President*)

Her Honour Senator Ms. H. E. Thompson, LL.B. (*Deputy President*)

Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins, B.Sc.,  
M.Sc. (*Minister of Energy and Business  
Development*) (*Leader of the Senate*)

Senator Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight, Ph.D.  
(*Minister of State in the Prime Minister's  
Office*)

Senator Dr. C. K. M. Haynes, M.B.B.S.

Senator J. A. King, B.S.S.

Senator Miss P. E. Parris, J.P.

Senator L. R. Harewood, J.P., BSM, B.Sc., M.Sc.,  
M.B.A.

Senator Mrs. S. C. S. Roberts-Odle, B.Sc., M.Sc.

Senator A. A. O. Boyce, B.Sc., M.Sc., LL.B.

Senator G. P. B. Nicholls, B.Sc. (Hons.), LL.B.  
(Hons.), LL.M., MCI Arb.

Senator the Hon. L. E. Nurse, F.C.A., F.C.C.A.

Senator Mr. C. A. Maynard, M.B.B.S., F.R.C.S.  
(ENT)

Senator K. J. Boyce, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C.

Senator Rev. Dr. J. A. Rogers, B.Sc., B.A.  
(Hons.), M.Phil., Ph.D.

Senator A. W. Mallalieu, C.P.A., F.R.I.C.S.

Senator Dr. the Hon. C. W. DaC. Brathwaite,  
CHB, Ph.D.

and

Senator Dr. K. G. Hinds, Ph.D.

### ABSENT

Senator the Most Honourable J. X. Walcott, FB, M.B., B.S., F.R.C.S. (Edin.), J.P. (*Senior Minister*)  
(*Minister of Health and Wellness*), Senator Ms. M. C. Taitt, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.) M.B.A.

Senator Miss C. N. Drakes, B.Sc. (Econ. & Mgmt), M.Phil Econ.

Prayers were led by Rev. Father Wayne Kirton.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS BY HIS HONOUR THE PRESIDENT**

Mr. President announced that he was in receipt of excuses for absence from Senators Ms. M. C. Taitt and Miss C. N. Drakes. He further announced that he was in receipt of excuses for lateness from Senators the Most Honourable Mr. J. X. Walcott, Miss P. E. Parris and Mr. C. A. Maynard.

**MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting of Wednesday, 25th January, 2023 were deferred on the motion of Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins.

**PRESENTATION OF PAPERS**

Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins by command laid:

The Audited Financial Statements of the Barbados Tourism Product Authority for the years 2015 – 2020.

**PUBLIC BUSINESS**

**ORDER NO. 2**

**PLANT PROTECTION BILL, 2023**

On the Order being called for Senator Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to provide for the protection of plant resources by preventing the introduction plant pests and controlling the spread of plant pests in order to facilitate the trade in plants and plant products in accordance with the obligations under the World Trade Organization Agreement on the Application of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures, the International Plant Protection Convention and the International Standards on Phytosanitary Measures; and for related matters,

the Hon. Member spoke and moved that the Bill be read a second time.

Senator Dr. the Hon. C. W. DaC. Brathwaite spoke.

Her Honour Senator Ms. H. E. Thompson spoke on a point of order.

Senator Miss P. E. Parris spoke.

Senator L. R. Harewood spoke.

Senator Dr. K. G. Hinds spoke.

Senator Mr. C. A. Maynard spoke.

Senator Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Senator Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight the Honourable the Senate resolved itself into Committee on the Bill, Her Honour the Deputy President in the Chair.

Part 1 (Clauses 1 to 2); Part 2 (Clauses 3 to 16); Part 3 (Clauses 17 to 27); Part 4 (Clauses 28 to 34); Part 5 (Clauses 32 to 44); Part 6 (Clauses 45 to 49); Part 7 (Clauses 50 to 62) and Part 8 (63 to 68) were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight.

On the motion of Senator Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight the Chairman of Committees reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to the President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Senator Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

Senator Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight spoke.

**PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

**ORDER NO. 1 (resumed)**

Resolution that in light of the Global Food Crisis that Barbados develop an integrated food security plan which will *inter alia* reposition the agricultural sector and that the plan informed by the agricultural development vision of 2012 be reduced to a development document and made available to the Senate.

Her Honour Senator Ms. H. E. Thompson spoke.

On the motion of Senator Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight further consideration of the Resolution was postponed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On the motion of Senator Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight the Senate was adjourned *sine die* at 2.20 p.m.

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

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

President.

SENATE CHAMBERS  
PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS  
BRIDGETOWN.

**SENATE**

**FIRST SESSION OF 2022 – 2027**

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