



## HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY BERMUDA



### Sitting No. 5 - Friday 3, February, 2017 Order of Business (Standing Order 14)

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**(a) Prayers.**

*Oath and Swearing in of new Member of Parliament Mr. Neville S. Tyrrell, JP, MP*

**(b) Confirmation of Minutes. - Minutes of the 21<sup>st</sup> November and 25<sup>th</sup> November, 2016 confirmed**

**(c) Messages from the Governor.**

**(d) Announcements by the Speaker or Member presiding.**

**(e) Messages from the Senate.**

**(f) Papers and other Communications to the House.**

*“Fiscal Responsibility Panel Annual Assessment 2016” lay for the information of the House of Assembly-Hon. E. T. Richards*

**(g) Petitions.**

**(h) Statements by Ministers and Junior Ministers.**

*“Global Entrepreneurship Week 2016 and The Entrepreneur’s Guide to Bermuda Government Incentives, Obligations, Grants and Awards”-Hon. Dr. E.G. Gibbons.*

*“Personal Information Protection Act 2016 – Implementation of Administrative Provisions”- Hon. Dr. E.G. Gibbons.*

*“Solar PV Development at the L.F. Wade International Airport - The Request for Proposal”- Hon. Dr. E. G. Gibbons.*

*“An update on Improvements to the Processing of applications for National Certification” – Hon. P.J. Gordon-Pamplin.*

**(i) Reports of Committees.**

*Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee of the Public Accounts on: “The Auditor General’s Special Report on the Port Royal Golf Course Improvement Capital Development Project”-Hon. W. L Furbert*

**(j) Question Period.**

**Hon. Dr. E. G. Gibbons to provide oral and written responses to parliamentary questions from Mr. W. L. Scott. *(Deferred from December 2, 2016)***

1. Will the Honourable Minister please inform this Honourable House of how many truck permits were granted, by quarter, by the Minister between January 1, 2013 and September 30, 2016; and if they could be categorised according to Schedule 1A of the Motor Car Act 1951?
2. Will the Honourable Minister please inform this Honourable House of the number of initial truck registrations by quarter between January 1, 2013 and September 30, 2016?
3. \*Will the Honourable Minister please inform this Honourable House of any directives issued by the current and/or any former Minister responsible for Transport to the Trucks Advisory Committee between December 18, 2012 to September 30, 2016; and if he will make a statement?

**Hon. P. J. Gordon-Pamplin to provide written responses to parliamentary questions from Mr. Diallo Rabain. *(Deferred from December 2, 2016)***

1. Will the Honourable Minister please provide updates to the following categories A-D below, as per her Ministerial Statement of June 2016, as it relates to persons currently working positions and those with work permits in positions subject to National Certifications (provide answers showing local workers and permit workers separately):
  - a) The number of Electricians outstanding from inception of certification that have been processed as of September 30, 2016, and how many remain outstanding;
  - b) The number of Expired Electricians re-registered for certification as of November 2016, and how many remain outstanding;
  - c) The number of Outstanding Automotive workers registered for certification as of November 2016, and how many remain outstanding;
  - d) The number of Outstanding Landscape Gardeners registered for certification as of November 2016, and how many remain outstanding?
2. Will the Honourable Minister please inform this Honourable House how many work permit applications for positions subject to National Certification have been vetted, and National Certification Certificates issued since August 1, 2016?
3. Will the Honourable Minister please inform this Honourable House how many permit holders in the Automotive Service Technicians and Landscape Gardeners positions without National Certification have been processed and assessed for certification between July and November 2016, and of the number with permits, how many were approved?

**Hon. P. J. Gordon-Pamplin to provide oral responses to parliamentary questions from Mr. Walton Brown.** *(Deferred from December 2, 2016)*

1. \*Will the Honourable Minister please inform this Honourable House of the number of PRC applications and approvals for each year since 2010?
2. \*Will the Honourable Minister please inform this Honourable House if the Registry General is now or has been instructed to begin collecting statistics on suicides in Bermuda?
3. \*Will the Honourable Minister please advise this Honourable House if the Department of Immigration and/or Department of Workforce Development currently conduct unannounced checks on employers to determine compliance levels with labour and immigration laws, and if so, what is the extent of this undertaking?

**Hon. L. C. Cannonier to provide oral responses to parliamentary questions from the Hon. D. P. Lister.**

1. \*Will the Honourable Minister please inform this Honourable House the original estimate cost and timeline for renovation work to the Cabinet Building?
2. \*Would the Honourable Minister please inform this Honourable House as to whether or not this project is still on time and on budget?
3. \*Would the Honourable Minister please inform this Honourable House of the monthly cost such as rent and other expenses that are incurred to accommodate the Cabinet Office in other locations during these renovations?

**Hon. J. J. Atherden to provide oral responses to parliamentary questions from Ms. K. N. Wilson.** *(Deferred from December 2, 2016)*

1. \*Will the Honourable Minister please inform this Honourable House of the steps the Government is taking to encourage employers to hire persons with disabilities in light of the passage of the Human Rights (Unreasonable Hardship) Amendment Act 2011?
2. \*Will the Honourable Minister please inform this Honourable House of the steps the Government is taking to make travel accessible for people with disabilities?

**Hon. Dr. E. G. Gibbons to provide an oral response to a parliamentary question from the Hon. D. V. Burgess.** *(Deferred from December 9, 2016)*

1. \*Would the Honourable Minister please inform this Honourable House the total funds paid for the rental of ferries including housing and any benefits to individuals stated in the contract/agreement from the period of inception to September 30, 2016?

**Hon. E. T. Richards to provide oral responses to parliamentary questions from the Hon. E. D. Burt.** *(Deferred from December 9, 2016)*

1. \*Would the Honourable Minister please inform this Honourable House the total funds paid to Bennet Jones from January 1, 2014?

2. \*Would the Honourable Minister please inform this Honourable House the total penalty fees paid to Bermuda's creditors as a result of Government of Bermuda financials being submitted late for the years 2015 & 2016?

**Hon. N. H. C. Simons to provide oral responses to parliamentary questions from Mr. D. V. S. Rabain. (*Deferred from December 9, 2016*)**

1. \*Will the Honourable Minister please give an update to this Honourable House on the status of the following: - The work regarding developing Nearshore Marine Spatial Planning for Bermuda, initiated as a public-private partnership between the Government of Bermuda; the Waitt Foundation and the Bermuda Institute for Ocean Science and the total amount of public monies spent on this work to date?

2.\* Would the Honourable Minister please share with this Honourable House whether the Government will be continuing with this project, and if so, what is the current timeline for the project and the resources available to support it?

**Hon. Dr. E.G. Gibbons to provide a written response to a parliamentary question from the Hon. W.L. Furbert.**

1. The Government guaranteed \$25 million to the Americas Cup Event against commercial sponsorship. Will the Minister of Economic Development inform this Honourable House, how much commercial sponsorship has been facilitated by Bermuda to date which will count against the \$25 million?

**Hon. E.T. Richards to provide a written response to a parliamentary question from the Hon. W.L. Furbert.**

1. Will the Minister of Finance inform this Honourable House how much has the Government incurred in legal fees by Law firms for the period January 1st 2016 – December 31st 2016, by Ministry?

**Mr. K.L. Bascome to provide an oral response to a parliamentary question from the Hon. W.L. Furbert.**

1. \*Will the Junior Minister of Tourism advise this Honourable House if all staffing required in the New York Office is advertised in Bermuda?

**Hon. T.G. Moniz to provide oral responses to parliamentary questions from the Hon. Z.J. DeSilva.**

1. \*Would the Honourable Attorney General provide the total amount of legal fees which the Government has paid to MJM Ltd. between 1 January 2013 and 31 January 2017?

2. \*Would the Honourable Attorney General provide a breakdown, by Government Ministries, the total amount of legal fees attributable to each Ministry that utilized the legal services of MJM Ltd. between 1 January 2013 and 31 January 2017?

**Hon. L.C. Cannonier to provide oral responses to parliamentary questions from the Hon. D.P. Lister.**

1. \*Would the Honourable Minister please update this Honourable House as to the number of new cars that have been purchased as part of the entire Government fleet since January 2013?
2. \*Would the Honourable Minister please provide this Honourable House with a list as to which dealerships these vehicles have been purchased from and the number of vehicles purchased from each of these dealerships?

**Hon. R.W. Scott to provide oral responses to parliamentary questions from Ms. Lovitta Foggo.**

1. \*Would the Honourable Minister Please indicate to this Honourable House the status of TNT repairs and mould remediation?
2. \*Would the Honourable Minister please advise his Honourable House when the targeted date for students to return to TNT is?
- 3 \*Would the Honourable Minister please inform this Honourable House what has been the cost of the repairs and remediation?

**Hon. S.D. Richards to provide written responses to parliamentary questions from Mr. M.A. Weeks.**

1. Will the Honourable Minister please inform this Honourable House of the total number of persons who have signed up for financial assistance between January 1st 2016 to December 31st 2016?
2. Will the Honourable Minister please inform this Honourable House of the racial and gender demographics of the client base of the Department of Financial Assistance as of January 2017?
3. Will the Honourable Minister please inform this Honourable House of first time, abled bodied working age users of financial assistance due to job loss between January 1st 2016 to December 31st 2016?

**Hon. M.H. Dunkley to provide oral responses to parliamentary questions from the Hon. E.D.G. Burt.**

1. \*Will the Honourable Premier please inform this Honourable House how many meetings and or conversations he had with any members of the Bermuda Police Service on December 1st or 2nd, 2016 regarding the protests at the House of Assembly.
2. \*Will the Honourable Premier please inform this Honourable House the dates and time of conversations he had with any members of the Bermuda Police Service on December 1st or 2nd, 2016 regarding the protests at the House of Assembly.
3. \*Will the Honourable Premier please inform this Honourable House the police tactical options that were discussed with him by members of the Bermuda Police Service on December 1st or 2nd, 2016 regarding the protests at the House of Assembly.

- (k) **Congratulatory and /or Obituary Speeches.**
- (l) **Matters of Privilege.**
- (m) **Personal Explanation.**
- (n) **Notice of motions for the Adjournment of the House on matters of urgent public importance.**
- (o) **Introduction of Bills:**

- (i) **Government Bills**

*“Companies and Limited Liability Company Amendment Act 2017”-Hon. Dr. E. G. Gibbons.*

*“Proceeds of Crime Amendment Act 2017”-Hon. T. G. Moniz.*

- (ii) **Opposition Bills**

*“Decriminalisation of Cannabis Act 2017”-Hon. M.J. Scott*

- (iii) **Private Members’ Bills**

- (p) **Notices of Motions:**

- (q) **ORDERS OF THE DAY:**

1. **Second Reading:**

**“Bermuda Immigration and Protection Amendment (No.2) Act 2016”.**

**[Minister of Home Affairs]**

**First Reading: November 7, 2016**

2. **Second Reading:**

**“Bermuda Airport Authority Act 2016”.**

**[Minister of Finance]**

**First Reading: November 14, 2016**

*{Governor’s Recommendation Signified}*

3. **Second Reading**

**“Airport Redevelopment Concession Act 2016”.**

**[Minister of Finance]**

**First Reading: November 14, 2016**

*{Governor’s Recommendation Signified}*

4. **Second Reading: “The U.S.A. Bermuda Tax Convention Amendment Act 2016”.**

**[Minister of Finance]**

**First Reading: November 21, 2016**

5. **Second Reading: “The International Cooperation (Tax Information Exchange Agreements) Amendment (No.2) Act 2016”.**

**[Minister of Finance]**

**Tabled: November 21, 2016**

6. **Second Reading: “Quarantine Act 2016”.**

**[Minister of Health and Seniors]**

**Tabled: November 21, 2016**

7. **Second Reading: “Bermuda Health Council Amendment Act 2016”.**

**[Minister of Health and Seniors]**

**Tabled: November 21, 2016**

8. **Consideration of the “Bermuda Health Council (Health Service Providers) (Licensing) Regulations 2016”.**  
[Minister of Health and Seniors]  
Tabled: November 21, 2016
9. **Consideration of the “Bermuda Health Council (Health Service Providers) (High Risk Health Technology) Regulations 2016”.**  
[Minister of Health and Seniors]  
Tabled: November 21, 2016
10. **Second Reading: “America’s Cup Amendment (No 2) Act 2016”.**  
[Minister of Economic Development]  
First Reading: November 25, 2016  
*{Governor’s Recommendation Signified}*
11. **Second Reading: “Summary Offences Amendment Act 2016”.**  
[Minister of Health and Seniors]  
First Reading: November 25, 2016
12. **Second Reading: “Bermuda Hospitals Board Amendment Act 2016”.**  
[Minister of Health and Seniors]  
First Reading: November 25, 2016
13. **Second Reading: “Land Title Registrar (Recording of Documents) Act 2016”.**  
[Minister of Public Works]  
First Reading: November 25, 2016
14. **Consideration of the “Insurance Accounts Amendment Regulations 2016”.**  
[Minister of Finance]  
Tabled: November 25, 2016
15. **Consideration of the “Casino Gaming (General Reserve and Casino Taxes) Regulations 2016”.**  
[Minister of Economic Development]  
Tabled: November 25, 2016  
*{Governor’s Recommendation Signified}*
16. **Consideration of the “Casino Gaming (Casino Fees) Regulations 2016”.**  
[Minister of Economic Development]  
Tabled: November 25, 2016  
*{Governor’s Recommendation Signified}*

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