

**Proceedings
of the
Honourable House of Assembly**

Session of 2017-2018

No. 10

Friday, 24th November 2017

Members Present: His Honour the Speaker, Jeanne J. Atherden, Jeffrey C. Baron, C. Walton D. Brown, Lt. Col. David A. Burch, Derrick V. Burgess, David E. Burt, Wayne M. Caines, Legay C. Cannonier, Rolfe P. Commissiong, Zane J.S. DeSilva, Michael H. Dunkley, Thomas C. Famous, Lovitta F. Foggo, Tinee S. Furbert, Wayne L. Furbert, Dr. Edmund G. Gibbons, Patricia J. Gordon-Pamplin, Susan E. Jackson, Dennis J. Lister III, Renee D.L. Ming, Trevor G. Moniz, Diallo V. S. Rabain, Sylvan D. Richards, Walter H. Roban, Leah K. Scott, Michael J. Scott, W. Lawrence Scott, Nelson H. C. Simons, Scott A. Simmons, Kim H.E. Swan, Neville S. Tyrrell, Michael A. Weeks, Kim N. Wilson.

10:04 a.m. Prayer

Confirmation of Minutes:

The minutes of November 17th 2017 were confirmed.

10:06am

Papers and Communications to the House.

MR. E.D.G. BURT read the following communication to the Speaker:

TO HIS HONOUR THE SPEAKER:-

I have the honour to attach and submit for the consideration of the Honourable House of Assembly the “Constitution of Bermuda (Constituency Boundaries) Order 2017”

Mr. E.D.G. Burt
Premier and Minister of Finance

Sessions House
November 24, 2017

MR. D.V.S. RABAIN read the following communication to the Speaker:

TO HIS HONOUR THE SPEAKER:-

I have the honour to attach and submit for the information of the Honourable House of Assembly the “Bermuda Educators Council (Exemption) (2017 to 2018 School Year) Order 2017”

Mr. D.V.S. Rabain
Minister of Education and Workforce
Development

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MR. D.V.S. RABAIN read the following communication to the Speaker:

TO HIS HONOUR THE SPEAKER:-

I have the honour to attach and submit for the information of the Honourable House of Assembly the “Bermuda Educators Council

(Exemption) (2017 to 2018 School Year)
Amendment Order 2017”

Mr. D.V.S. Rabain
Minister of Education and Workforce
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10:07am

Statements by Ministers and/or Junior Ministers:

MR. E.D.G. BURT read a Ministerial Statement regarding the “Joint Ministerial Council”.

MS. K.N. WILSON read a Ministerial Statement regarding the “Updates and Modernization of Drug Schedules”.

MR. D.V.S. RABAIN read a Ministerial Statement regarding the “CedarBridge Academy’s Re-accreditation by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools”.

MR. W. M. CAINES read a Ministerial Statement regarding the “Government Cryptocurrency Initiative”.

11:12am

Question Period:

MRS. J.J. ATHERDEN asked a question to MR. E. D. G. BURT on his Ministerial Statement, regarding the “Joint Ministerial Council”.

MRS. J.J. ATHERDEN asked a supplementary question.

MRS. J.J. ATHERDEN asked a supplementary question.

MRS. J.J. ATHERDEN asked a second question.

MR. R.P. COMMISSIONG asked a question to MR. E.D.G. BURT, on his Ministerial Statement.

DR. E.G. GIBBONS asked a question to Mr. E. D. G. Burt regarding his Ministerial Statement.

MR. T.G. MONIZ asked a question to Mr. E. D. G. Burt regarding his Ministerial Statement.

MR. T.G. MONIZ asked a supplementary question.

MRS. J.J. ATHERDEN asked a question to Ms. K.N. Wilson regarding her Ministerial Statement on “Updates and Modernization of Drug Schedules”.

MR. N.H.C. SIMONS asked a question to Mr. D.V.S. Rabain on his Ministerial Statement regarding the “CedarBridge Academy’s Re-accreditation by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools”.

MR. N.H.C. SIMONS asked a supplementary question.

MR. N.H.C. SIMONS asked a second supplementary question.

DR. E.G. GIBBONS asked a question to Mr. W.M. Caines regarding his Ministerial Statement on the “Government Cryptocurrency Initiative”.

DR. E.G. GIBBONS asked a supplementary question.

DR. E.G. GIBBONS asked a supplementary question.

DR. E.G. GIBBONS asked a second supplementary question.

DR. E.G. GIBBONS asked a second question.

DR. E.G. GIBBONS asked a supplementary question.

MR. N.H.C. SIMONS asked a question to, Mr. W.M. Caines on his Ministerial Statement regarding “Government Cryptocurrency Initiative”.

MR. N.H.C. SIMONS asked a supplementary question.

MR. N.H.C. SIMONS asked a second question.

MR. N.H.C. SIMONS asked a supplementary question.

MR. N.H.C. SIMONS asked a third question.

MR. N.H.C. SIMONS asked a supplementary question.

11:25am

**Congratulatory and /or Obituary Speeches:
(Please refer to the House Hansard)**

Introduction of Bills:

MR. E.D.G. BURT introduced and read the first time by its title a Bill entitled the “Price Commission Amendment Act 2017”.

MR. C.W.D. BROWN introduced and read the first time by its title a Bill entitled the "Domestic Partnership Act 2017”.

11:35am

Orders of the Day

LT. COL. D.A. BURCH moved second reading of the “Bermuda National Parks Amendment Act 2017” which was agreed to.

11:48am-MR. N.H.C. SIMONS

12:00am- MR. H.K.E.SWAN

12:09am- DR. E.G. GIBBONS

12:15am- MRS. J.J. ATHERDEN

12:26am- MR. D. J. LISTER

12:28am-MR. T.G. MONIZ

12:29am

MR. E.D.G. BURT moved that the House adjourn for lunch, which was agreed to.

The House adjourned for lunch at 12:30pm

2:00pm

The House resumed

2:01pm-Mr. D.V. Burgess

2:06pm-Lt.Col. D.A. Burch

2:10pm

The Bill was Committed

Mr. D.V. Burgess in the Chair

Lt. Col. D.A. Burch moved Clauses 1 and 2, which was agreed to as printed.

Lt. Col. D.A. Burch moved Clause 3, and an amendment, which reads as follows:

By repealing Clause 3 of the Bill, thereby removing the proposed addition of section 25A;

2:12pm-MR. T.G. MONIZ

2:12pm-LT. COL. D.A. BURCH

Clause 3 was agreed to as amended.

2:13pm

Lt. Col. D.A. Burch moved Clauses 4-7, which was agreed to.

2:15pm- MR. T.G. MONIZ

2:16pm- DR. E.G. GIBBONS

Clauses 4-7 where agreed to as printed.

The Preamble was agreed to

The Committee rose.

The House resumed.

The Bill was reported to the House as amended, which was agreed to.

Orders number 2

LT. COL. D.A. BURCH moved for second reading of the “Bermuda National Parks Amendment (No.2) Act 2017” which was agreed to.

2:20pm-MR. S.D. RICHARDS

2:24pm- MR. T.G. MONIZ

2:27pm- LT. COL. D.A. BURCH

2:28pm

The Bill was Committed

Mr. D.V. Burgess in the Chair.

Lt. Col. D.A. Burch moved Clauses 1-5

2:30pm- DR. E.G. GIBBONS

2:31pm- MR. N.H.C. SIMONS

2:32pm- LT. COL. D.A. BURCH

Clauses 1-5 were agreed to as printed.

The Preamble was agreed to

The Committee rose.

The House resumed.

The Bill was reported to the House as printed, which was agreed to.

Order number 3

2:35pm

LT. COL. D.A. BURCH moved second reading of the “Land Title Registration Amendment Act 2017” which was agreed to.

2:43pm- MR. T.G. MONIZ

3:04pm- MS. K.N. WILSON

3:10pm- MR. C.W.D. BROWN

3:12pm-MS .S.E. JACKSON

3:15pm-MR. N.S.TYRELL

3:17pm-MR. W.H. ROBAN

Mr. Speaker acknowledged the presence of former Senator and Attorney General Mr. Philip Perinchief, in the public gallery.

3:24pm-MR. J.S. DESILVA

3:29pm-MR. E.D.G. BURT

3:31pm- LT. COL. D.A. BURCH

3:42pm

The Bill was Committed

Mr. D.V. Burgess in the Chair

3:42pm

Lt. Col. D.A. Burch moved Clauses 1-4 as printed, which was agreed to.

3:43pm

Lt. Col. D.A. Burch moved Clauses 5-8 as printed, which was agreed to.

3:45pm-Dr. E.G. Gibbons

3:45pm

Lt. Col. D.A. Burch moved Clauses 1-21 as printed, which was agreed to.

Clauses 1-21 were agreed to as printed.

The Preamble was agreed to

The Committee rose.

The House resumed.

The Bill was reported to the House as printed, which was agreed to.

Orders 4-6 were carried over.

Order number 7

3:50pm

Mr. M. A. Weeks moved for consideration of following the motion, notice of which was given on the 3rd November 2017:

“That this Honourable House approve the Report of the Standing Orders and Privileges Committee, dated 3rd November 2017”.

3:57pm-MRS. P.J. GORDON-PAMPLIN

4:11pm-MS. L.F. FOGGO

4:29pm-DPUTY SPEAKER in the Chair

4:32pm- MS. S.E. JACKSON

4:49pm-MR. S.A. SIMMONS

5:00pm- DR. E.G. GIBBONS

5:20pm-MR. M.H. DUNKLEY

5:27pm- MR. J.S. DESILVA

5:31pm- MRS. J.J. ATHERDEN

5:51pm- MR. E.D.G. BURT

6:01pm-MR. M.A. WEEKS

6:04pm

The House approved the Report of the Standing Orders and Privileges Committee.

6:05pm

Lt. Col. D. A. Burch moved that Standing Order 21 be suspended to enable him to move that the Bill entitled the “Bermuda National Parks Amendment Act 2017” be now read a third time, which was agreed to.

On the motion of Lt. Col. D. A. Burch the Bill entitled the “Public Holidays Amendment Act 2017” was then read the third time and passed.

Lt. Col. D. A. Burch moved that Standing Order 21 be suspended to enable him to move that the Bill entitled the “Bermuda National Parks Amendment (No.2) Act 2017” be now read a third time, which was agreed to.

On the motion of Lt. Col. D. A. Burch the Bill entitled the “Public Holidays Amendment (No.2) Act 2017” was then read the third time and passed.

Lt. Col. D. A. Burch moved that Standing Order 21 be suspended to enable him to move that the Bill entitled the “Land Title Registration Amendment Act 2017” be now read a third time, which was agreed to.

On the motion of Lt. Col. D. A. Burch the Bill entitled the “Land Title Registration Amendment Act 2017” was then read the third time and passed.

6:06pm

MR. E.D.G. BURT moved that the House do now adjourn, which was agreed to.

6:07pm- MS. S.E. JACKSON

6:14pm- MR. J.S. DESILVA

6:19pm-MR. W.M. CAINES

6:26pm-MR. R.P. COMMISSIONG

6:45pm-MS. K.N. WILSON

6:50pm-MR. C.T. FAMOUS

7:00pm-MS. L.K. SCOTT

7:07pm-MR. M.J. SCOTT

7:20pm-MR. D.J. LISTER

7:30pm- MR. M. H. DUNKLEY

7:40pm-MR. H.K.E. SWAN

7:50pm-MRS. J.J. ATHERDEN

7:55pm- MRS. P.J. GORDON-PAMPLIN
8:05pm-MR. D.V.S. RABAIN
8:10pm-MR. W.H. ROBAN

8:18pm

The House adjourned until Friday, 1st December
2017 at 10:00am.