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Hon. Stanley W. Lowe, OBE, JP, MP
Speaker

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No. 24**Friday, 25th May, 2012**

Members present: His Honour the Speaker, Mr. M.A.R. Bean, Mr. G.A. Blakeney, Mr. D.V. Burgess, Mr. D.D. Butler, Mr. L.C. Cannonier, Ms. P.A. Cox, Mr. S.D.G. Crockwell, Mr. Z.J.S. DeSilva, Dr. E.G. Gibbons, Mrs. P.J. Gordon Pamplin, Mr. K.H.R. Horton, Mr. D.O. Hunt, Mrs. L.A. Jackson, Mr. E.G. James, Mr. D.P. Lister, Mr. W.M. Lister, Mrs. P.K. Minors, Mr. T.G. Moniz, Mr. W.N.M. Perinchief, Mr. M.J. Pettingill, Mr. E.T. Richards, Mr. W.H. Roban, Mr. M.J. Scott, Mr. W.A. Scott, Mr. N.H.C. Simons, Dame Jennifer Smith, Mr. C.F.B. Swan, Mr. H.K.E. Swan, Mr. D.D.M. Tucker, Mr. M.A. Weeks.

The minutes of the meeting of 11th May, 2012 were confirmed. Confirmation of the minutes of the meeting of 18th May, 2012 was deferred.

Mr. Z.J.S. DeSILVA read the following communication to His Honour 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 draft Regulations entitled the "Occupational Safety and Health Ticketing Regulations 2012" proposed to be made under Section 36 of the Occupational Safety and Health Act 1982.

Z.J.S. DeSILVA
Minister of Health

Sessions House,
25th May, 2012.

10:10 a.m.

Dame JENNIFER SMITH made a Ministerial Statement on the Pembroke Hamilton Club Agreement.

10:15 a.m.

Mr. W.N.M. PERINCHIEF made a Ministerial Statement on Safe Communities.

10:19 a.m.

Mrs. P.K. MINORS made a Ministerial Statement on Proud to be Bermudian.

10:25 a.m.

Mr. M.A. WEEKS made two Ministerial Statements on the WEDCO Infrastructure and Housing Project; and on Expanding the Park System.

10:43 a.m.

Mr. G.A. BLAKENEY made a Ministerial Statement on Jessica Lewis – Para Athlete.

10:45 a.m.

Ms. P.A. COX made a Ministerial Statement on the Progress on Public Sector Reform.

10:49 a.m.

Mr. C.F.B. SWAN asked Dame Jennifer Smith questions regarding her Statement.

Dr. E.G. GIBBONS asked Ms. P.A. COX questions regarding her Statement.

Mr. N.H.C. SIMONS asked Mr. M.A. Weeks questions regarding his Statement.

Mr. M.J. PETTINGILL asked Mr. M.A. WEEKS questions regarding his Statement.

11:00 a.m.

Mr. G.A. BLAKENEY congratulated the organizers, participants and the Minister on the successful Bermuda Day celebrations; congratulated Mr. Chris Estwanik and his wife, Ashley, on winning the Bermuda Day Marathon in the Male and Female Categories respectively; congratulated Aaron Jacobs and Messiah Greaves on winning the Bermuda Day Marathon Junior Classic in the Male and Female categories respectively; congratulated Dominique Mayho on winning the Packwood Memorial Race – he is Bermuda's Junior Athlete of the Year and an outstanding role model; congratulated Mr. David Durham and Yhoshi Productions on the successful 2012 Bermuda Drum Line Production which provided a wonderful opportunity for

local drum line groups that include several schools to showcase their percussion skills during a most enjoyable family event at the National Sports Centre on 20th May.

Mr. D.O. HUNT associated himself with congratulatory remarks made by Mr. G.A. Blakeney.

Mrs. P.J. GORDON PAMPLIN associated herself with congratulatory remarks Bermuda Day participants; congratulated the Bermuda Youth Got Talent (BYGT); expressed condolences to the family of Ms. Gwyneth Smith.

Mrs. P.K. MINORS thanked the Department of Cultural Affairs, in particular Miss Tannock, on a very successful Bermuda Day.

Mr. S.D.G. CROCKWELL associated himself with congratulatory remarks regarding the Bermuda Day Marathon and Celebrations; congratulated Ms. DeShay Caines on graduating from Oakwood University.

Mr. M.A. WEEKS associated himself with the obituary remarks for Mrs. Gwyneth Smith; expressed condolences to the family of Mr. Michael Carey; congratulated Chartis Group on assisting with the clean-up efforts at Cooper's Island.

Dr. E.G. GIBBONS expressed condolences to the family of Mr. George Fisher; associated Mr. T.G. Moniz, Mr. L.C. Cannonier and Mr. H.K.E. Swan with these remarks.

Mr. D.N.I. BUTTERFIELD expressed condolences to the families of Mr. Maurice Durham and Mr. Maurice Pringle; associated Mr. W.N.M. Perinchief and Mr. M.A. Weeks; expressed condolences to the family of Mr. Maurice Pringle.

Dame JENNIFER SMITH congratulated the Bermuda Day Race and Parade; congratulated the Government of Bermuda through the Premier on hosting the first Hague Conference held in Bermuda or the Caribbean region; congratulated pianist young John Seymour who has been accepted into the prestigious Berkeley School of Music; congratulated CedarBridge Academy on the creation of its Alumnae Association and its plans to honour successful graduates as this is the school's 15th year with over 1,000 graduates; congratulated former Youth Page, Ms. Shaunte Simons, on being crowned Miss Teen Bermuda.

Mr. T.E. LISTER congratulated all participants in the Bermuda Day Celebrations, in particular Ms. D.N.I. Butterfield; expressed condolences to the family of Mr. Keith Saltus who was a great father, husband, friend and businessman who added to the wealth and worth of Sandys Parish.

Mr. M.A.R. BEAN associated himself with the condolences to the family of Mr. Maurice Pringle; associated himself with congratulatory remarks regarding the Bermuda Day Celebrations; congratulated the Warwick Majorettes on their participation in the Bermuda Day Parade; associated himself with congratulatory remarks regarding the Hague Conference; congratulated the International Snooker League on its recent event; associated himself with obituary remarks to Mr. George Fisher who has been described as a true Bermudian hero.

Mr. D.D.M. TUCKER associated himself with obituary remarks for Mr. Maurice Pringle and Mr. Michael Carey.

Mr. N.H.C. SIMONS associated himself with congratulatory remarks to the Bermuda Day Celebrations; associated himself with obituary remarks for Mr. Michael Carey and Mr. Keith Saltus.

Ms. P.A. COX associated herself with the obituary remarks for Mr. Michael Carey, especially Mr. Wayne Carey, Permanent Secretary for Youth, Families and Sports; congratulated Bermuda citizens on a very wonderful Bermuda Day; congratulated Mrs. P.K. Minors and Mr. Z.J.S. DeSilva on participating in the Marathon; congratulated Mr. D.P. Lister on his company hosting the youth runners in the on Bermuda Day; congratulated Mrs. D.N.I. Butterfield on her participation in the Bermuda Day Event.

Mr. S.D.G. CROCKWELL apologised to the House for not standing at the close of proceedings on 18th May, 2012.

Mr. D.O. HUNT apologised to the House for not standing at the close of proceedings on 18th May, 2012..

Ms. P.A. COX introduced the Bill entitled the "Good Governance Act 2012".

Mrs. P.K. MINORS gave notice that at the next day of meeting she proposed to move the following motion.

“That this Honourable House take note of the Seventh Annual ABIR Bermuda Economic Impact Survey Results and endorse the sterling efforts by the Government to not only provide jobs for Bermudians but stimulate growth in the IB sector and in Bermuda generally.”

11:42 a.m.

On the motion of Mr. D.V. Burgess, the Bill entitled the Marine Board Amendment Act 2012” was then read the second time.

11:45 a.m. – Mrs. P.J. GORDON PAMPLIN

11:46 am. – Mr. C.F.B. SWAN

11:50 a.m. – M. H.K.E. SWAN

11:53 a.m. – Mr. D.V. BURGESS

The Bill was committed.

Mr. K.H.R. HORTON in the Chair.

Mr. D.V. BURGESS moved Clauses 1 -3.

Clauses 1 – 3, as printed, were agreed to.

11:58 a.m. – Mrs. P.J. GORDON PAMPLIN

11:59 a.m. – Mr. T.G. MONIZ

12:02 p.m. – Mr. D.V. BURGESS

12:03 p.m. – Mrs. P.J. GORDON PAMPLIN

12:05 p.m. – Mr. D.V. BURGESS

The Preamble was agreed to.

The House resumed.

The Chairman reported the adoption of the Bill, as printed, which was agreed to.

12:05 p.m.

On the motion of Ms. P.A. Cox, the Bill entitled the “National Pension Scheme (Occupational Pensions) Temporary Amendment Act 2012” was then read the second time.

12:14 p.m. – Mr. E.T. RICHARDS

12:19 p.m. – Mr. C.F.B. SWAN

12:23 p.m. – Mr. G.A. BLAKENEY

12:25 p.m. – Ms. P.A. COX

The Bill was committed.

Mr. K.H.R. HORTON in the Chair.

12:28 p.m.

Ms. P.A. COX moved that the House do now recess for lunch, which was agreed to.

The Chairman ordered that the Committee resume at 2:00 p.m.

2:00 p.m.

The House resumed in Committee.

Mr. K.H.R. HORTON in the Chair.

Ms. P.A. COX moved Clauses 1 – 10.

2:07 p.m. – Dr. E.G. GIBBONS

2:12 p.m. – Ms. P.A. COX

Clauses 1 – 10, as printed, were agreed to.

The Preamble was agreed to.

The House resumed.

The Chairman reported the adoption of the Bill, as printed, which was agreed to.

Item numbers 3 – 5 on the Order Paper were carried over to the next day of meeting.

2:17 p.m.

Mr. H.K.E. SWAN moved the following motion, notice of which was given on 18th May, 2012.

“That this Honourable House take note of the diminished open spaces in Bermuda and resolve to develop strategies that will reverse the current trend to ensure that future generations enjoy a greener Bermuda that is far more environmentally healthy.”

3:13 p.m. – Mr. N.H.C. SIMONS

3:46 p.m. – Mr. C.F.B. SWAN

4:03 p.m. – Mr. Z.J.S. DeSILVA

4:23 p.m. – Mr. T.E. LISTER

4:40 p.m. – Mr. D.D. BUTLER

5:00 p.m. – Mr. W.M. LISTER

5:01 p.m. – Mr. D.D. BUTLER in the Chair.

5:25 p.m. Mrs. P.J. GORDON PAMPLIN

5:56 p.m. – Mr. M.A.R. BEAN

6:34 p.m.

The House took note of the motion.

Ms. P.A. COX moved that Standing Order 21 be suspended to enable her to move that the Bill entitled the “National Pension Scheme (Occupational Pensions) Temporary Amendment Act 2012” be now read the third time, which was agreed to.

On the motion of Ms. P.A. Cox, the Bill entitled the “National Pension Scheme (Occupational Pensions) Temporary Amendment Act 2012” was then read the third time and passed.

Mr. D.V. BURGESS moved that Standing Order 21 be suspended to enable her to move that the Bill entitled the “Marine Board Amendment Act 2012” be now read the third time, which was agreed to.

On the Motion of Mr. D.V. Burgess, the Bill entitled the “Marine Board Amendment Act 2012” was then read the third time and passed.

Dame JENNIFER SMITH moved that Standing Order 14 be suspended to enable her to present a Lease Agreement, which was agreed to.

Dame JENNIFER SMITH read the following communication to His Honour the SPEAKER.

TO HIS HONOUR THE SPEAKER:

I have the Honour to attach and submit for the information of the Honourable House of Assembly an Agreement between the Ministry of Education and the Pembroke Hamilton Club dated 18th September, 2008.

Dame JENNIFER SMITH
Minister of Education

Sessions House,
25th May, 2012.

6:37 p.m.

Ms. P.A. COX moved that the House, at its rising, adjourn to Friday, 8th June 2012, which was agreed to.

6:38 p.m. – Mr. M.J. PETTINGILL
6:52 p.m. – Mr. M.J. SCOTT
7:19 p.m. – Mr. Z.J.S. DeSILVA
7:39 p.m. – Mr. E.T. RICHARDS
7:53 p.m. – Mr. H.K.E. SWAN
8:10 p.m. – Mr. W.M. LISTER

8:28 p.m. – Mrs. P.J. GORDON PAMPLIN

9:00 p.m. – Mr. S.D.G. CROCKWELL

9:13 p.m. – Mr. G.A. BLAKENEY

9:26 p.m.

The House adjourned to Friday, 8th June, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.