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PROCEEDINGS OF THE SENATE

SESSION OF 2013-2014

No. 16

WEDNESDAY, 2nd JULY, 2014

PRESENT:

- Senator the Hon. Mrs. C.M. BASSETT, J.P.,
PRESIDENT
Senator Mrs. J.E. DILLAS-WRIGHT,
M.B.E., J.P., VICE-PRESIDENT
Senator J.S. JARDINE, J.P.
Senator N.S. BRANGMAN, J.P.
Senator Mrs. L.A. WOOLRIDGE, J.P.
Senator Ms. A.L. SWAN, J.P.
Senator J.C. BARON, J.P.
Senator Ms. R.D.L. MING, J.P.
Senator M.G. DANIELS, J.P.

10:02a.m.

Senator the Hon. the President announced that she had received notice from Senator the Hon. M.M. Fahy and Senator D.V.S. Rabain that they would be absent from today's meeting.

On the motion of Senator Mrs. J.E. Dillas-Wright, the minutes of the meetings of Wednesday, 18th June and Wednesday, 25th June 2014 were taken as read and confirmed.

Senator the Hon. the President announced that, in accordance with the provisions of Sections 24(1) and 24(3) of The Ombudsman Act 2004, a copy of the "Ombudsman for Bermuda Ninth Annual Report for the Year ended 31st December 2013" had been forwarded to the President, and that copies of the said Report were

hereby tabled in the Senate for the information of Senators.

Senator N.S. Brangman, on behalf of Senator the Hon. M.M. Fahy, presented for the information of Senate "The Annual Report and Accounts of the Bermuda Monetary Authority for the Year ended 31st December, 2013".

The following Public Bills were brought up from the House of Assembly and given a First Reading in the Senate:-

- "The Motor Car Amendment Act 2014";
"The Trusts (Special Provisions) Amendment Act 2014"; and
"The Public Treasury (Administration and Payments) Amendment Act 2014".

Orders of the Day

10:05a.m.

Senator J.C. Baron moved that the Senate do now take under consideration the following Motion:-

"That the Senate take note of the 'Cannabis Reform Collaborative Report'."

-- which was agreed to.

Senator Baron spoke on the Motion.

- 10:27a.m. Senator M.G. Daniels.
11:09a.m. Senator J.S. Jardine.
11:49a.m. Senator Ms. A.L. Swan.
12:00p.m. Senator N.S. Brangman.
12:30p.m. Senator Mrs. J.E. Dillas-Wright.
12:56p.m. Senator Mrs. L.A. Woolridge.

1:04p.m. Senator Ms. R.D.L. Ming.
 1:13p.m. Senator the Hon. the President.
 1:15p.m. Senator J.C. Baron.

The Senate took note of the Cannabis Reform Collaborative Report.

Congratulatory &/or Obituary Speeches

Senator Mrs. L.A. Woolridge congratulated Ms. Violet C. Brangman on the celebration of her 80th Birthday, and she noted that Ms. Brangman was an outstanding and beloved Teacher for many years. Senator N.S. Brangman associated himself with these remarks.

Senator J.C. Baron congratulated Magistrate Juan Wolffe and the Officers and Staff of the Drug Court on the great success of the rehabilitation programme for incarcerated persons; and he also congratulated the latest group of Drug Court Graduates from the drug treatment programme.

Senator Mrs. J.E. Dillas-Wright expressed condolences for the family of the late Dr. Gary Ellsworth Burgess, whom she noted was one of Bermuda’s long-time outstanding musicians, a very accomplished opera singer on the international stage and a successful professor of music and opera at the State University of New York for many years. Senator N.S. Brangman associated himself with these remarks.

Senator the Hon. the President associated herself with the congratulatory and obituary remarks of Senators; and she noted the presence of outstanding young lady Ms. Ebony Weeks in the Public Gallery and wished her every success in her career.

1:28p.m.
 Senator N.S. Brangman moved that the Senate do now adjourn – which was agreed to.

1:28p.m. Senator M.G. Daniels.
 1:40p.m. Senator N.S. Brangman.

1:47p.m.
 Adjourned until Wednesday, 2nd July, 2014.

PRESIDENT

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Wednesday – 9th July, 2014

- (1) Second Reading: The Motor Car Amendment Act 2014.
- (2) Second Reading: The Trust (Special Provisions) Amendment Act 2014.
- (3) Second Reading: The Public Treasury (Administration and Payments) Amendment Act 2014.