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**Hon. K. H. Randolph Horton, JP, MP
Speaker**

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**Proceedings
of the
Honourable House of Assembly
Session of 2013-2014**

No. 14

Monday, March 10th, 2013

Members Present: His Honour the Speaker, Jeanne J. Atherden, Kenneth L. Bascome, Marc A. R. Bean, Glenn A. Blakeney, Walton D. Brown, Derrick V. Burgess, David G. Burt, L. Craig Cannonier, Rolfe P. Commissiong, Shawn G. Crockwell, Zane J. S. DeSilva, Michael H. Dunkley, Lovitta F. Foggo, Wayne L. Furbert, Dr. Edmund G. Gibbons, Patricia J. Gordon-Pamplin, Susan E. Jackson, Dennis P. Lister, Terry E. Lister, Trevor G. Moniz, Nandi S. Outerbridge, Mark J. Pettingill. Everard T. Richards, Sylvan D. Richards, Walter H. Roban, Suzann Roberts-Holshouser, Leah K. Scott, Michael J. Scott, R. Wayne E. Scott, W. Lawrence Scott, N. H. Cole Simons, Glenn C. Smith, Jefferson C. Sousa, Michael A. Weeks, Kim N. Wilson.

10:03 a.m. Prayer

Confirmation of Minutes:

Minutes to the Meetings of the 5th and 7th of March, 2014, were deferred.

Announcements by the Speaker:

His Honour the SPEAKER announced the Bermuda Youth Parliament participants at Commonwealth Day in London. There is also a Youth Summit being held at XL Capital. His Honour the Speaker announced that he would like all Members to remain seated and not to walk about or talk while he is making any formal announcements.

His Honour the SPEAKER announced that he received a message from Her Majesty the Queen about Commonwealth Day 2014.

Statements by Minister and/or Junior Ministers:

MR. M. H. DUNKLEY made a Ministerial Statement regarding Regulating the “Cash for Gold Trade”.

Reports of Committees:

MR. C. W. D. BROWN tabled a report from the Select Committee on Elections.

10:20 a.m.

Question Period:

MS. K. N. WILSON asked Mr. M. H. Dunkley a question on his Ministerial Statement on Regulating the “Cash for Gold Trade”.

MS. K. N. WILSON asked Mr. M. H. Dunkley a second question.

MR. E. D. G. BURT asked Mr. M. H. Dunkley a question.

MR. E. D. G. BURT asked Mr. M. H. Dunkley a supplementary question.

MR. E. D. G. BURT asked Mr. M. H. Dunkley a second question.

MR. E. D. G. BURT asked Mr. E. T. Richards a question regarding his Ministerial Statement on his constituent's inability to receive her private pension.

MR. E. D. G. BURT asked Mr. E. T. Richards a supplementary question.

10:30 a.m.

Congratulatory and Obituary Speeches:

MR. Z. J. S. DESILVA sent congratulations to Lindsey Fisher who won overall Teen Service Talented Teen Award; associated Mr. C. W. Brown with these comments.

MR. J. C. SOUSA congratulated winners of the Bermuda Amateur Golf Championships, Fraser Hunt won the Men's Championship Trophy, Ebonie Burgess won the Women's Championship Trophy, Max Atherden receiving the Senior Championship award; associated Mr. M. H. Dunkley with these remarks.

MR. W. L. A. SCOTT associated himself with congratulating Teen Service Awardees.

DR. E. G. GIBBONS associated himself with congratulating Teen Service Awardees; associated Mr. R. W. E. Scott and Mr. L. C. Cannonier.

MR. M. A. WEEKS associated himself with congratulating Teen Service Awardees; sent congratulations to Pastor Terry Hassel the newly appointed Pastor of Heard Chapel AME Church; congratulations to Mr. Charles Smith newly appointed Pastor at Bright Temple AME Church.

MS. P. J. GORDON-PAMPLIN associated herself with congratulating the New Pastors for the AME Churches in Bermuda.

MR. W. L. FURBERT congratulations to Mr. Nadanja Bailey who received an Award at the Teen Services Award; congratulations to Ruth Vanlowe-Smith the new Pastor at Bethel AME Church.

MR. N. H. C. SIMONS sent condolences to the family of Ms. Marry Lau Trimmingham; associated Mr. M. H. Dunkley and Dr. E. G. Gibbons.

Orders of the Day:

MR. E. T. RICHARDS moved that the House do now resume in Committee of Supply to consider the Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for 2014/2015, which was agreed to.

MS. S. ROBERTS-HOLSHOUSER in the chair.

10:45 a.m.

MR. E. T. RICHARDS moved Heads 10 Ministry of Finance HQ, 11 Accountant General, 12 Customs, 28 Social Insurance, 38 Office of the Tax Commissioner, 58 interest on Debt, 59 Sinking Fund.

12:30 p.m.

MR. L. C. CANNONIER moved that the House do now recess for lunch, which was agreed to.

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

2:00 p.m.

The Committee Resumed

MR. D. P. LISTER in the Chair.

MR. E. T. RICHARDS continued.

3:11 p.m. - MR. E. D. G. BURT

3:53 p.m. - MR. E. T. RICHARDS

4:14 p.m. - MR. E. D. G. BURT

MR. E. T. RICHARDS moved Heads 10 Ministry of Finance HQ, 11 Accountant General, 12 Customs, 28 Social Insurance, 38 Office of the Tax Commissioner, 58 Interest on Debt, 59 Sinking Fund be approved, which was agreed to.

4:16 p.m.

DR. E. G. GIBBONS moved that Heads 95 Ministry of education and Economic Development HQ, 17 Department of Education, 41 Bermuda College, 46 Telecommunications.

MS. S. E. JACKSON in the Chair.

7:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m. - MR. M. J. SCOTT

7:00 p.m. -MR. R. P. COMMISSIONG in the Chair.

7:46 p.m. - MS. L. F. FOGGO

7:57 p.m. - MS. L. K. SCOTT

8:04 p.m. - MS. J. J. ATHERDEN

8:07 p.m. - DR. E. G. GIBBONS

DR. E. G. GIBBONS moved to rise and report progress on Head 95 Ministry of Education and Economic Development HQ, which was agreed to.

DR. E. G. GIBBONS moved that Heads 17 Department of Education, 41 Bermuda College, 46 Telecommunications be approved, which was agreed to.

DR. E. G. GIBBONS moved that the Committee rise, report progress and ask for leave to sit again.

- which was agreed to.

The Committee rose.

The House resumed.

The Chairperson reported progress and asked for leave to sit again.

Orders numbers 2-15 were carried over to the next sitting day.

8:22 p.m.

MR. M. H. DUNKLEY moved that the House, adjourn to Wednesday, 12th March, 2014 at 10:00 a.m., which was agreed to.

MR. M. H. DUNKLEY moved that the House do now adjourn, which was agreed to.

8:23 p.m. - MR. G. A. BLAKENEY

8:29 p.m. - MR. M. H. DUNKLEY

8:33 p.m. - MR. Z. J. S. DESILVA

8:50 p.m.

The House adjourned to Wednesday, 12th March, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.