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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

No. 2

Friday, 15th February 2013

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

10:05 a.m. Prayer

Mr. M. H. Dunkley
Minister of Public Safety

Confirmation of Minutes:

The minutes of the Meeting of 2th November, 2012 were confirmed.

The minutes of the Meeting of 8th February, 2013 were confirmed.

10:10 a.m.

His Hon. the Speaker administered Affirmations of Allegiance and of an Assemblyman to the following Honourable Member:

Susan E. Jackson.

Papers and other Communications to the House:

Mr. M. H. Dunkley read the following communication to His Honour the SPEAKER:

I have the honour to attach and submit for the information of this Honourable House of Assembly the "Parole Board Annual Report 2010".

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10:13 a.m.

Statements by Minister and/or Junior Ministers:

Mr. M. H. Dunkley made a Ministerial Statement regarding the AI's Pals Programme: A Cross Ministry Programme.

Question Period:

Mr. M. J. SCOTT posed a question to Mr. M. H. Dunkley regarding his Ministerial Statements.

Ms. L.F. Foggo asked Mr. M. H. Dunkley a question regarding his Ministerial Statements in reference to assessments of the AI's Pals Programme.

10:18 a.m.

Reports of Committees:

His Honour the SPEAKER informed Honourable Members that it was necessary under the provisions of Standing Order 34(2) to appoint a Select Committee to be known as the "Private Bills Committee" which is a Standing Committee appointed for the duration of the life of Parliament.

His Honour the SPEAKER appointed the following Honourable Members to this Committee:

Mrs. S. Roberts-Holshouser, Ms. L.F. Foggo, Ms. N. Davis, Mr. M. Scott, Mr. N. H. C. Simons, Sen. J. E. Dillas-Wright.

His Honour the SPEAKER informed Honourable Members that it was necessary under the provisions of Standing Order 34(3) to appoint a Select Committee to be known as the "Public Accounts Committee" which is a Standing Committee appointed for the duration of the life of Parliament.

His Honour the SPEAKER appointed the following Honourable Members to this Committee:

Mr. T. E. Lister, Mr. D. Burt, Mr. N. H. C. Simons, Mrs. J. Atherden, Mr. G. Smith, Mr. J. Sousa, Ms. L. F. Foggo.

His Honour the SPEAKER informed Honourable Members that it was necessary under the provisions of Standing Order 34(4) to appoint a Select Committee to be known as the "Committee on the Office the Auditor" which is a Standing Committee appointed for the duration of the life of Parliament.

His Honour the SPEAKER appointed the following Honourable Members to this Committee:

Mr. N. H. C. Simons, Mrs. J. Atherden, Ms. L. F. Foggo, Ms. S. Jackson, Mr. D. P. Lister.

His Honour the SPEAKER informed Honourable Members that it was necessary under the provisions of Standing Order 34(5) to appoint a Select Committee to be known as the "Committee on Register of Members' Interest" which is a Standing Committee appointed for the duration of the life of Parliament.

His Honour the SPEAKER appointed the following Honourable Members to serve on a Joint Select Committee on Members Interest:

Mr. D. P. Lister, Mr. L. Scott, Ms. N. Davis, Mr. K. Bascome, Ms. J. Atherden.

His Honour the SPEAKER appointed the following Members to the following Sessional Select Committees:

The House and Grounds Committee:

Mrs. S. Roberts-Holshouser, Mr. J. Sousa, Mr. K. Bascome, Mr. D. Burgess, Mr. Z. Desilva.

Standing Orders and Privileges Committee:

Hon. K. H. R. Horton, Hon. Craig L. Cannonier, Mr. Marc Bean, Mr. N. H. C. Simons, Ms. L. Foggo, Mr. T. E. Lister.

Regulations Committee:

Mr. G. Smith, Mr. K. Bascome, Ms. N. Davis, Mr. G. Blakeney, Ms. K. Wilson.

His Honour the SPEAKER appointed the following Honourable Members to serve as Panel of Chairman for the present Session:

Mrs. S. Roberts Holshouser, Mr. G. Smith, Ms. S. Jackson, Mr. R. Commissiong, Mr. D. P. Lister, Mr. W. Brown.

10:22 a.m.

Congratulatory and Obituary Speeches:

Mr. L. C. CANNONIER- Expressed sympathy on the passing of Mr. Kenneth Hubbard. He is the father of former Senator Dr. Kathy Michelmore. Mr. L. C. Cannonier also expressed sympathy on the passing of the late Mr. Jason Darrell and the passing of the Hon. Member Mr. M. Weeks' son Malik. He associated the whole House of Assembly with his condolences.

Ms. L. F. FOGGO - Associated herself with the condolences for Mr. Jason Darrell and the Hon. Mr. Weeks on the passing of his son. Ms. L. Foggo also expressed condolences on the passing of Ms. Thelma Foggo.

Ms. L. Foggo- Congratulated the Bermudians who published works in the West Indian University Journal; she also congratulated the Bermuda Olympic Team which performed outstanding in a recent overseas competition.

Mr. E. T. RICHARDS- Sent condolences to the family of the late Mr. Erskine Adderley Sr. He associated Opposition Leader Mr. Marc Bean and Government Members. Mr. E. T. Richards also expressed Condolences to the Hon. Member Weeks for the loss of his son.

MR. R. P. COMMISSIONG- Associated himself with condolences to the family of Hon. Mr. Weeks; also expressed condolences to the family of the two young men murdered at Belvins store; the late Mr. Haile Outerbridge and Mr. Ricco Furbert.

MR. J. C. SOUSA- Associated himself with the condolences to the Hon. MP Weeks; Also to the family of the late Mr. K. Hubbard. The Hon. Member also associated himself with remarks made to the late Mrs. Erskine E. Addeley. The Hon. Members sent condolences to the family of the late Mr. William Donald Thompson (Bill).

MR. W.H. ROBAN – Associated himself with the condolences directed to the Hon. Mr. Weeks and his family; congratulated Bermudian Bishop Nicholas Dill; would like the Honourable House to recognize the 50th anniversary of PLP party.

MR. R.W. E. SCOTT – Associated himself with the remarks made for the late Mr. K. Hubbard; Expressed personal condolences to the Hon. Member Mr. Weeks on the loss of his son. Congratulated Mrs. Teresa Perozzi on her accomplishments in her Boxing Career, also congratulated Nahki Wells on his achievements in his professional Football career.

MR. W. L. FURBERT - Expressed his condolences to the Hon. Mr. Weeks on the loss of his son; also congratulated the newly appointed Bishop Nicholas Dill.

DR. E.G. GIBBONS – Congratulated Eleanor Gardiner on her achievements as a Rhodes Scholar, a swimmer, sailing competitor and a student studying overseas. Congratulations were sent out to Kirsten Faria, newly appointed chief operations officer of Allied World Bermuda; Congratulated Cheryl Outerbridge-Packwood on the launch of the 2nd edition of her father's book titled "*Chained on the Rock: Slavery in Bermuda*". The Hon Member also expressed condolences to the family of the late Mr. Allen Sr. Dr. Gibbons also associated himself with the condolences to the family of Hon. Mr. Weeks, Ms. Adderley, and Congratulated Nicolas Dill.

MR. M. J. SCOTT- Expressed condolences to family of Mrs. Strip; Expressed congratulations to Dr. Robinson and Dame Jennifer Smith who were inducted into the Bermuda College Company of Honorary Fellows; Associated himself with the condolences expressed to the family of the Hon. Member Mr. Weeks; He also congratulated Bishop Dill on his new appointment as Bishop.

MRS. S. ROBERTS - HOLSHOUSER - Congratulated Major the Rev. David Rath on his position of Chaplain of the Bermuda Regiment. She also congratulated Bermuda Cable Vision which was recognized as one of the outstanding organizations established in Bermuda that have advocated cultural diversity in Bermuda; also associated herself with the congratulatory remarks made to the Bermuda gymnastics team which won 95 medals in their last event, then expressed her condolences to the family of the late Mr. Adderley.

MR.W. L. SCOTT- Expressed his condolences to the family of the late Mrs. Lorrie Ming who lost both her son and husband recently.

MR. S. D. RICHARDS – Associated himself with the condolences for The Hon. Mr. Weeks and his family on the loss of his son.

MR. T. E. LISTER – Expressed condolences to the family of the late Mr. Javon Smokey Fubler; He associated himself with the condolences to the Hon. Mr. Weeks and his family; he associated Mr. Marc Bean with these condolences. Condolences were also sent out to the family of the late James A. Symons. Congratulatory remarks were sent out to the Somerset Cricket Club 120 year anniversary. Congratulations were sent out to the newlyweds Mr. and Mrs. Val Cesar for their marriage on Valentine's Day.

MRS. P. J. GORDON-PAMPLIN- Expressed condolences to the family of the Hon. Member Mr. Weeks, she also associated herself with the condolences expressed for the family of Mr. Adderley, Hubbard, Thompson, Bean and Baker. The expression of condolences was also sent to the family of the late Mrs. Anita Smith. She paved the way for women in parliament. The Hon. Member also associated the whole House with her remarks for Mrs. Smith. She expressed Condolences also to Elise Suber. Lastly the Hon.

Member Congratulated Mrs. Alima Simons who has thus far made it to the age of 102 years of age.

MR. E. D. G. BURT- Expressed condolences to the family of the late Roslyn Wenonah Bryce Marvey; associated himself with the remarks of condolences to the Hon. Member Mr. Weeks and his family. The Hon. Member also associated himself with the remarks of condolences to the families of the late Ricco Furbert, Haile Outerbridge, Rosling, and Harp; congratulations to the Devonshire Recreational Club.

MR. S. G. CROCKWELL- Expressed condolences to family of the late Dr. Vincent John D.D.S.; also expressed condolences to Vanessa Roberts he associated the Hon. Members Dr. Gibbons and Mr. Zane Desilva; Condolences to Hon. Mr. Weeks and his family on the loss of his son, and the family of the late Mr. Atherden; would like to acknowledge Marry McBurney 100 years old.

MR. Z. J. S. DESILVA- Associated himself with the condolences to the Family of Mrs. Millet Bean,

MS. S. E JACKSON- Condolences to the family of the late Connie Williams, recognize Archdeacon Andrew Doughty who was in the running to become Bishop.

MR. D. P. LISTER- Associated himself with the condolences to the families of Hon. Mr. Weeks, Ms. Anita Smith, Dr. John DDS, Mr. Jevonie Fubler; additional condolences to the family of Mr. Kenneth Daniels and Shirley Right associated Hon. Member M. Scott; congratulations to the Rockaway Seventh - Day Adventist Church on their new location and church in Somerset.

MR. G. C. SMITH- Condolences to the family of the late George Costa; associated himself with

the condolences to the family of late William Thompson.

MR. M.A.R. BEAN- Associated himself with condolences to late Mr. Millet Chris Bean; condolences to the family of the late James A. Simons; also condolences the families of Mr. Ricco Furber and Haile Outerbridg; a personal expression of condolences to the Hon. Mr. Weeks and his family; a congratulation to Nahki Wells on his accomplishments as a professional Football Player.

MR. M. H. DUNKLEY - Associated himself with previous condolences sent to the families of Ms. Adderley, Mr. Doughty, and Mr. Hubbard. the Hon. Mr. Weeks and his family, the Thomson family, M. Bean, L Pelty, S. Fublera and the Roberts family. MR. Dunkley expressed sympathy to the families of William J. Brewer, Major Christian Wheddon, Celeste A. Rabain and Eardley B. L. Jones. MR. Dunkley congratulated Teresa Perozzi on her achievements in the boxing Arena; and congratulated the Somerset Cricket Club. Congratulations also went out to Fire Chief Vincent Hollinsed on his retirement after 43 years of service. Also congratulations to Mr. Keith Pearman on his retirement as head professional at the Mid Ocean Gulf Club, Associate all Members of the House.

MR. T. G. MONIZ - Condolences to the family of Dr. V. John D.DS., Condolences to family and friends of Mr. Derrick Spencer, Mr. Richard Borrow, and K. Michael Daniels all where pass employees of WE Gov. associated Mr. Marc Bean with these comments.

MR. N. H. C. SIMONS - Condolences to the family of the late Cynthia R. Burn, he associate Mr. D. Lister with his condolences. Also condolences to the families of the late Mr. K. Hubbard, Mr. Malik Weeks, Ms. Atherden,

Owen Darrel, Bill Rua, Eardley Jones, and Roslin Harvey.

Congratulations goes out to Corrine Simons Fiaco named Hotelier of the Year. Congratulations to Michael Skinner promoted to reservation and events manager at the Cavendish Hotel in London

MRS. J. ATHERDEN - Sent condolences out to the family of the late Owen Darrel. She also send condolences to the family of the late William Brewer and Bill Thompson; also condolences to the family of the late Eardley Jones and to the family of the late Roslyn Harvey.

MR. D. V. BURGESS- Expressed his condolences to the families of Millard Bean Eardley Jones Mrs. Roberts, and Malik Weeks. Mr. BURGESS also congratulated the Baileys' Bay Cricket Club in Hamilton Parish; also congratulated Bishop Dill of the Anglican Church Bermuda.

MR. M. A. WEEKS - Associated himself with congratulations to Bishop Dill and Cable Vision; Congratulations to Devonshire Recreational Club; Associated himself with the congratulations sent out to Nahki Wells;

Condolences to Outerbridge and Furbert family. Condolences to Udora Sousa; associated himself with condolences to families of Millet Bean and to the family of those members of W.E.Gov. MR. M. Weeks thanked all the Members of the House for their support on the loss of his son.

MS. N. S. DAVIS - Expressed condolences to Jason Darrel, and congratulated qualifying Carifta Athletes

MS. L. K. SCOTT - expressed condolences to Mr. Weeks, and associated herself with condolences sent to Mr. Eardley Jones.

MR. K. L. BASCOME - Expressed condolences to Hon. Member Mr. Weeks his family and Smith family. Congratulation sent out to the Mayor of St. Georges.

His Honour the SPEAKER - Offered his condolences to Mr. Weeks and his family. Recognize former MP Mr. Jahmal J. Simmons who is present in the House.

11:33 a.m.

Personal Explanation:

MR. T.E. LISTER- made a Personal Explanation as he will now stand as an Independent and no longer a member of the PLP.

11:45 a.m.

Introduction of Bills:

MR. M. J. PETTINGILL moved for leave introduced and read the first time by its title a Bill entitled the "Supreme Court Amendment Bill 2013".

The Bill was then read the first time by its title.

11:48 a.m.

Orders of the Day:

(No. 3)

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY?

We, the Members of the House of Assembly of Bermuda, thank Your Excellency for the gracious Speech with which Your Excellency was pleased to open the present Session of Parliament.

Hon. K. H. Randolph Horton JP, MP
SPEAKER

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11:50 a.m.

MR. M A. R. BEAN, Opposition Leader, tabled a Reply to the Throne Speech by Her Loyal Opposition.

12:21 p.m.

MR. M. J. PETTINGILL made a statement.

12:28 p.m.

MR. W. L. FURBERT- P.O.O

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

His Honour the SPEAKER ordered that the House resume at 2:00 p.m.

MR. M. J. PETTINGILL to continue after lunch

2:00 p.m.

The House resumed

2:00 p.m. MR. M. J. PETTINGILL to continue

2:28 p.m. – MR. W. H. ROBAN

2:58 p.m. – MR. C. W. D. BROWN Maiden Speech.

3:18 p.m. – MR. M. H. DUNKLEY

3:39 p.m. – MR. G. A. BLAKENEY

4:10 p.m. – MRS. S. ROBERTS-
HOLSHOUSER

4:33 p.m. – MR. M. J. SCOTT

5:03 p.m. – His Honour the SPEAKER recognizes the former member of the House Mr. Donte O. Hunt in the Speakers Gallery.

5:05 p.m. – MR. T. E. LISTER

5:34 p.m. – MR. R. W. E. SCOTT Maiden Speech

5:45 p.m. – MS. K. WILSON Maiden Speech

6:11 p.m. – Mr. SPEAKER acknowledged the presence of former M.P. Ms L.A. Jackson in the SPEAKERS Gallery.

6:25 p.m. – MR. D. V. BURGESS

7:01 p.m. – MR. K. BASCOME Maiden Speech

7:05 p.m. – MRS. P. J. GORDON-PAMPLIN

7:06 p.m. – (Deputy Speaker in the Chair)

7:35 p.m. – MR. R. P. COMMISSIOG Maiden Speech

7:45 p.m. – MR. S. SMITH Maiden Speech

7:50 p.m. – MR. S. G. CROCKWELL

8:08 p.m. – MR. R. P. COMMISSIOG P.O.O

8:14 p.m. – MR. D.V. BURGESS P.O.O

8:15 p.m. – MR. D.V. BURGESS P.O.O

8:16 p.m. – MR. T. G. MONIZ P.O.O

8:16 p.m. – MR. D.V. BURGESS P.O.O

8:19 p.m. – MR. W. L. FURBERT P.O.O

8:22 p.m. – MR. W. L. FURBERT

8:30 p.m. – MR. K.H. HORTON in Chair

8:38 p.m. – MR. S. G. CROCKWELL P.O.O

8:55p.m. – MR. L. C. CANNONIER P.O.O

8:56 p.m. – MR. L. C. CANNONIER P.O.O

8:58 p.m. – MR. L. SCOTT Maiden Speech

8:59 p.m. – MR. S. G. CROCKWELL P.O.O

9:00 p.m. – MR. Z. J. S. DESILVA P.O.O

9:06p.m. – MRS. J. ATHERDEN Maiden Speech

9:24 p.m. – MR. S. D. RICHARDS

9:38 p.m. – MR. L. C. CANNONIER

9:55 p.m.

On the Motion of Mr. L. C. Cannonier, Items numbers 2 – 5 on the Order Paper were carried over to the next day of meeting.

MR. L.C. CANNONIER Moved that the House do now adjourn, which was agreed to.

9:56 p.m. – MR. W. L. FURBERT

9:58 p.m. – MR. M.H. DUNKLY P.O.O

10:10 p.m. – MR. W. H. ROBAN

10:12 p.m. – MR. S. G. CROCKWELL P.O.O

10:13 p.m. – DR. E. G. GIBBONS P.O.O anticipation

10:13 p.m. His Honour the SPEAKER asked that MR. W. ROBAN restrict his comments to Term limits and Work permits policy because of the motion on the Order paper that day.

10:18 p.m. – MR. Z. J. S. DESILVA

10:20 p.m. – MR. E.D.G. BURT Maiden Speech

10:29 p.m.

Adjourned to Friday, 22th February, 2013.