

**Proceedings
of the
Honourable House of Assembly
Session of 2017-2018**

No. 26

Friday, 4th May, 2018

Members Present: His Honour the Speaker, Jeanne J. Atherden, C. Walton Brown, Lt. Col. David A. Burch, Derrick V. Burgess, E. David. G. Burt, Wayne M. Caines, L. Craig Cannonier, Rolfe P. Commissiong, Zane J.S. DeSilva, Michael H. Dunkley, Thomas C. Famous, Lovitta F. Foggo, Tinee S. Furbert, Wayne L. Furbert, Susan E. Jackson, Dennis J. Lister III, Renee D.L. Ming, Trevor G. Moniz, Diallo V.S. Rabain, Sylvan D. Richards, Walter H. Roban, W. Lawrence Scott, Jamahl S. Simmons, Scott A. Simmons, N.H. Cole Simons, Ben A. Smith, H. Kim. E. Swan, Kim N. Wilson, Michael A. Weeks.

10:04 a.m.

Prayers

Minutes of the Meeting of 27th April, 2018 were confirmed.

MR. SPEAKER announced that a report on his attendance at the 24th Conference of Speakers and Presiding Officers (CSPOC) held 8th-13th January, 2018 will be circulated electronically to all Members.

MR. SPEAKER announced that the following Members will be absent from today's meeting: Mr. M.J. Scott, Mr. N.S. Tyrrell and Mrs. P.J. Gordon-Pamplin.

MR. SPEAKER announced the upcoming Youth Parliament Awards Ceremony will be held on Wednesday, 9th May 2018 and he extended an invitation for Members to attend.

MR. SPEAKER announced that there will be a Joint Session of the Legislature on Tuesday, 22nd May, 2018 in honour of the 50th Anniversary of the Bermuda Constitution and Universal Adult Suffrage.

10:08 a.m.

Papers and Communications to the House:

MS. L.F. FOGGO 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 "2016 Population and Housing Census Report".

Ms. L.F. Foggo
Minister of Government Reform

10:09 a.m.

Statements by Ministers and/or Junior Ministers:

MR. E.D.G. BURT read a Ministerial Statement regarding the "UK Action on Beneficial Ownership".

MR. E.D.G. BURT read a Ministerial Statement on the "MOU Signings in FinTech Development".

(10:27a.m. Mr. Speaker acknowledged the presence of students from the Bermuda High School along with their teachers: Ms. Rose, Mr. Corning and Mr. Hickson, in the Public Gallery. He also acknowledged the presence of former long-time MP Mr. Walter Roberts in the Speaker's Gallery.)

MR. C.W.D. BROWN read a Ministerial Statement regarding the "New Immigration Policy for FinTech Companies".

MS. K.N. WILSON read a Ministerial Statement on “Making Healthcare Affordable and Accessible for All”.

MS. L.F. FOGGO read a Ministerial Statement regarding the “2016 Population and Housing Census Report”.

MS. L.F. FOGGO read a Ministerial Statement concerning “The Government E-Gazette Initiative”.

MR. D.V.S. RABAIN read a Ministerial Statement on “The Bermuda Public School System: Youth Empowerment Summit and 2018 Male Outstanding Teen Award Winners”.

10:55 a.m.

Reports of Committees:

MR. N.H.C. SIMONS presented a Report of the Public Accounts Committee.

11:11 a.m.

Question Period:

MR. N.H.C. SIMONS asked a question to Mr. E.D.G. Burt regarding his Ministerial Statement on the “MOU Signings in FinTech Development”.

Mr. N.H.C. Simons asked a supplementary question.

MR. M.H. DUNKLEY asked a question to Ms. L.F. Foggo on her Ministerial Statement regarding the “2016 Population and Housing Census Report”.

MR. M.H. DUNKLEY asked a second question.

MR. M.H. DUNKLEY asked a third question.
Mr. M.H. Dunkley asked a supplementary question.
Mr. M.H. Dunkley asked a second supplementary question.

MRS. J.J. ATHERDEN asked a question to Ms. L.F. Foggo on her Ministerial Statement concerning “The Government E-Gazette Initiative”.

Mrs. J.J. Atherden asked a supplementary question.

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

11:25 a.m.

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

12:01 p.m.

Introduction of Bills:

MS. L.F. FOGGO introduced and read for the first time by its title a Bill entitled the “Interpretation Amendment Act 2018”.

12:02 p.m.

Orders of the Day

MR. E.D.G. BURT moved second reading of the “Appropriation Amendment Act 2018”, which was agreed to.

12:05p.m. – Mrs. J.J. Atherden

The Bill was Committed.

Mr. D.V. Burgess in the Chair

MR. E.D.G BURT moved Clauses 1 to 3, which was agreed to.

Clauses 1 to 3 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 numbers 2, 3 and 4 inclusive on the Order Paper, were carried over.

12:09 p.m.

MR. E.D.G. BURT moved that Standing Order 21 be suspended to enable him to move that the Bill entitled the “Appropriation Amendment Act 2018” be now read a third time, which was agreed to.

On the motion of Mr. E.D.G. Burt, the Bill entitled the “Appropriation Amendment Act 2018” was then read the third time by its title only and passed.

12:10 p.m.

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

12:11p.m. – Mr. C.W.D. Brown

12:15p.m. – Mr. M.H. Dunkley

12:29p.m. – Mr. D.V.S. Burgess

12:50p.m. – Mr. L.C. Cannonier

1:00p.m. – Mr. W.M. Caines

1:15p.m. – Mr. Z.J.S. De Silva

1:35p.m. – Mr. T.C. Famous

1:55p.m. – Mr. H.K.E. Swan

2:15p.m. – Mr. E.D.G. Burt

2:26 p.m.

The House was adjourned until Friday, 11th May, 2018 at 10:00am.