



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

**ORDER PAPER**

THIRTY-SECOND SITTING, THIRD SESSION (2004/2005), EIGHTH PARLIAMENT  
FRIDAY MARCH 11, 2005 AT 1.30 P.M.

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*(By the Minister of Trade and Industry)*
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**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN ANSWER APPEARS IN APPENDIX 1**

## Questions for Oral Answer

### \*Question No. 13 to the Honourable Minister in the Office of the Prime Minister (Social Services Delivery)

*(By the Member for Chaguanas)*

- (a) With reference to Old Age Pensions Regulations Chap. 32:02, would the Minister inform this House how the total annual income, commonly referred to as the ceiling is calculated?
- (b) Could the Minister also explain how the different tiers of Old Age Pension are arrived at?
- (i) REQUESTS FOR LEAVE TO MOVE THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE HOUSE ON DEFINITE MATTERS OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE
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- (n) PUBLIC BUSINESS

## GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

### Motions:

1. **WHEREAS** section 9(2) of the Privileges and Immunities (Diplomatic Consular and International Organizations) Act, Chap. 17:01 (“the Act”) provides that the President may, from time to time by Order, declare that any international or regional organization or agency named and described in the Order, shall to such extent as may be specified in the Order, be accorded the privileges and immunities set out in Part I of the Act:

**AND WHEREAS** section 9(6) of the Act provides that on Order made under section 9(2) shall be subject to affirmative resolution of Parliament:

**AND WHEREAS** the Privileges and Immunities [Caribbean Court of Justice (CCJ), Regional Judicial and Legal Services Commission (RJLSC) and the Caribbean Court of Justice Trust Fund] Order, 2004 (“the Order”) was made under section 9 of the Act:  
**AND WHEREAS** it is expedient to approve the Order:

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\* Question No. 13 was deferred for one (1) week on 18.02.2005 and then for two (2) weeks on 25.02.2005.

***Be it Resolved:***

That the Privileges and Immunities [Caribbean Court of Justice (CCJ), Regional Judicial and Legal Services Commission (RJLSC) and the Caribbean Court of Justice Trust Fund] Order, 2004, be approved.

***(By the Minister of Foreign Affairs)***

2. **WHEREAS** section 5(1) of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) Dominican Republic Free Trade Act, 2001 (“the Act”) provides that where any amendment to the Agreement establishing the Free Trade Area between the Caribbean Community and the Dominican Republic, executed by the CARICOM Secretariat on behalf of Member States on 22<sup>nd</sup> August, 1988 and its implementing Protocol, executed by the CARICOM Secretariat on behalf of Member States on 28<sup>th</sup> April, 2000 (“the Agreement”), is accepted by the Government, the Minister may, by Order, amend the Schedule by including therein the amendment so accepted:

**AND WHEREAS** section 5(3) of the Act provides that an Order made under section 5 shall be subject to affirmative Resolution of the Parliament:

**AND WHEREAS** an amendment to the Agreement was accepted by the Government:

**AND WHEREAS** the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) Dominican Republic Free Trade (Amendment to the Schedule) Order, 2004 (“the Order”) was made under section 5 of the Act:

**AND WHEREAS** it is expedient to approve the Order:

***Be It Resolved:***

That the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) Dominican Republic Free Trade (Amendment to the Schedule) Order, 2004, be approved.

***(By the Minister of Foreign Affairs)***

3. **WHEREAS** it is provided by section 86(1) of the Education Act, Chap. 39:01 (hereinafter referred to as “the Act”) that the Minister may make Regulations generally for the purpose of carrying the Act into effect and in particular for prescribing anything that is by the Act required to be prescribed:

**AND WHEREAS** it is also provided by section 86(2) of the Act that Regulations made with respect to section 23 of the Act shall be subject to affirmative resolution of Parliament:

**AND WHEREAS** the Minister has on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2005, made the Education (Local School Boards) (Amendment) Regulations, 2005 (hereinafter referred to as “the Regulations”):

**AND WHEREAS** it is expedient that the Regulations be now affirmed:

***Be it Resolved:***

That the Education (Local School Boards) (Amendment) Regulations, 2005 be now affirmed.

*(By the Minister of Education)*

**Bills Second Reading:**

1. **The debate on the following Bill which was in progress when the House was adjourned on Friday January 21, 2005 will be resumed:**

A Bill entitled “An Act to amend the Home Mortgage Bank Act. Chap. 79:08”.

*(By the Minister in the Ministry of Finance)*

2. A Bill entitled “An Act to amend the Evidence Act, Chap. 7:02; the Larceny Act, Chap. 11:12; the Bail Act, 1994; the Negotiable Instruments (Dishonoured Cheques) Act, 1998; the Forgery Act, Chap. 11:13; and the Electronic Transfer of Funds Crime Act, 2000”.

*(By the Attorney General)*

3. A Bill entitled “An Act to amend the Summary Courts Act, Chap. 4:20”.

*(By the Attorney General)*

4. A Bill entitled “An Act to amend the Criminal Procedure Act, Chap. 12:02”.

*(By the Attorney General)*

5. A Bill entitled “An Act to amend the Offences Against the Person Act, Chap. 11:08”.

*(By the Attorney General)*

6. A Bill entitled “An Act to amend the Family Proceedings Act, 2004”.

*(By the Attorney General)*

7. A Bill entitled “An Act to provide for powers and jurisdiction in relation to pollution of the seas from ships, intervention on the high seas in cases of oil pollution, dumping of wastes at sea, prevention of pollution from ships, preparedness and response for oil pollution emergencies, liability and compensation for pollution damage and matters incidental thereto”.

*(By the Minister Works and Transport)*

8. A Bill entitled “An Act to provide for the prevention and punishment of genocide, crimes against humanity and war crimes, to give effect to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court done at Rome on the Seventeenth Day of July, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-Eight; and for purposes connected therewith or incidental thereto”.

*(By the Minister of Foreign Affairs)*

9. **The debate on the following Bill which was in progress when the House was adjourned on Friday November 19, 2004 will be resumed:**

A Bill entitled “An Act to amend the Old Age Pensions Act, Chap. 32:02 and to validate certain things done thereunder”.

*(By the Minister of Social Development)*

10. **The debate on the following Bill which was in progress when the House was adjourned on Friday November 19, 2004 will be resumed:**

A Bill entitled “An Act to amend the Public Assistance Act, Chap. 32:03 and to validate certain things done thereunder”.

*(By the Minister of Social Development)*

11. A Bill entitled “An Act to amend the Constitution of Trinidad and Tobago”.

*(By the Attorney General)*

12. A Bill entitled “An Act to amend the Offences Against the Person Act, Chap. 11:08”.

*(By the Minister of National Security)*

### **PRIVATE BUSINESS**

#### **Motions:**

1. **The debate on the second reading of the following motion which was in progress when the House was adjourned on Friday February 25, 2005 will be resumed:**

**WHEREAS** under the Constitution, the people of Trinidad and Tobago have asserted their belief in a democratic society and have recognized that men and institutions remain free only when freedom is founded upon respect for the rule of law; and

**WHEREAS** under the Constitution it is recognized and declared that in Trinidad and Tobago there have existed and shall continue to exist the fundamental human right of the individual to life and security of the person and the right not to be deprived thereof except by due process of law and, the fundamental human right of the individual to the protection of the law; and

**WHEREAS** the Police Service is an essential pillar in upholding the rule of law and in ensuring the aforesaid fundamental human rights; and

**WHEREAS** the unprecedented twenty-one killings of persons by members of the Police Service has generated considerable alarm, anxiety and apprehension in the country and eroded public confidence in the Police Service:

**BE IT RESOLVED** that this House:

- (i) reaffirm its commitment to the rule of law and the aforesaid fundamental human rights of the individual;

- (ii) call on the relevant authorities to take steps to review by way of a fair and public hearing by an independent and impartial tribunal all the actions of the Police in the police killings of persons;
- (iii) agree that Government provide the necessary financial and other resources to effect the aforesaid review;
- (iv) agree that this exercise be completed in the shortest possible time.

*(By the Member for Siparia)*

*Jacqui Sampson Jacent  
Clerk of the House*

*House of Representatives' Secretariat  
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PORT OF SPAIN  
March 07, 2005*

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**QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER**

**Question No. 8 to the Honourable Minister of Health**

*(By the Member for Barataria/San Juan)*

- (a) Could the Minister indicate what services are free of charge at the Eric Williams Medical Sciences Complex and what are not?
- (b) Could the Minister itemize these services and indicate the cost of each?

**Answer due by 10.02.2005**

**March 07, 2005**