



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FIRST SESSION
TENTH PARLIAMENT

NO. 18
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ORDER PAPER

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 24, 2010: 10:30 A.M.

PRAYERS

OATH OF ALLEGIANCE OF A NEW MEMBER

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER

BILLS BROUGHT FROM THE SENATE

PETITIONS

PAPERS

1. The Report of the Auditor General of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago on the Statement of Recovery of Expenses of the Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries for the year ended December 31, 2009.

(By the Minister of Finance who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts Committee)

2. The Administrative Report of the Seafood Industry Development Company (SIDC) for the financial year 2008/2009.

(By the Minister of Food Production, Land and Marine Affairs)

3. The Administrative Report of the Venture Capital Incentive Programme (VCIP) for the financial year 2008.

(By the Minister of Trade and Industry)

PRESENTATION OF REPORTS FROM SELECT COMMITTEES

QUESTIONS TO MINISTERS

Questions for Oral Answer

Question No. 12 to the Honourable Minister of Public Utilities

(By the Member for Diego Martin West)

- a) Is any officer functioning in a position, acting, permanent or temporary at the Water and Sewerage Authority (WASA) in the post of Chief Executive Officer (CEO);

- b) If the answer is in the affirmative, could the Minister state when the position was advertised and in what media;
- c) Could the Minister also state;
 - i How many persons applied;
 - ii Whether interviews took place; and
 - iii Who conducted the exercise;
- d) Could the Minister further state:
 - i The person hired to the position of CEO of WASA;
 - ii The qualification of such person hired;
 - iii The total monthly emolument, including perquisites, of the person in the post as of October 2010?

REQUESTS FOR LEAVE TO MOVE THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE HOUSE ON
DEFINITE MATTERS OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

PERSONAL EXPLANATIONS

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

MOTIONS RELATING TO THE BUSINESS OR SITTINGS OF THE HOUSE AND
MOVED BY A MINISTER OR PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY

PUBLIC BUSINESS

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Motions:

1. **WHEREAS** Article (8) of the Trinidad and Tobago (Constitution) Order in Council, 1961 provided that “the Governor shall make and cause to be laid before the Senate and the House of Representatives, respectively, when they first meet such Standing Orders with respect to the matters mentioned in article 26 of the Constitution as appear to him expedient to enable the Senate and House of Representatives to commence the transaction of their business in an orderly manner, but any such Orders may be amended or revoked by the chamber to which they relate”;

AND WHEREAS the Standing Orders of the House of Representatives were made by the Governor in 1961 pursuant to the said Article and laid before the House of Representatives on December 29, 1961;

AND WHEREAS there has never been a comprehensive review of these Standing Orders since they were enacted;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Standing Orders of the House of Representatives be referred to the Standing Orders Committee for consideration and report within the current session.

(By the Minister of Housing and the Environment)

Bills Second Reading:

1. A Bill entitled, "An Act to provide for the variation of certain duties and taxes and to introduce provisions of a fiscal nature and for related matters".

(By the Minister of Finance)

2. **The debate on the Second Reading of the following Bill which was in progress when the House adjourned on Saturday November 20, 2010 will be resumed:**

A Bill entitled, "An Act to provide for and about the interception of communications, the acquisition and disclosure of data relating to communications, the acquisition of the means by which electronic data protected by encryption or passwords may be decrypted or accessed and other related matters".

(By the Minister of National Security)

3. A Bill entitled, "An Act to amend the Bail Act, Chap. 4:60."

(By the Attorney General)

4. A Bill entitled, "An Act to make provisions for the suppression of associations established for unlawful purposes and for the better preservation of public safety and order and for other related matters."

(By the Attorney General)

5. A Bill entitled, "An Act to amend the Summary Courts Act, Chap 4:20 and the Indictable Offences (Preliminary Enquiry) Act, Chap 12:01."

(By the Attorney General)

6. A Bill entitled, "An Act to amend the Evidence Act, Chap. 7:02."

(By the Minister of National Security)

PRIVATE BUSINESS

Motions:

1. **WHEREAS** Pension funds are critical to the long term saving rate of a country and for the safety and security of each individual citizen's future;

AND WHEREAS the savings of individuals are a critical component in the growth and stability of the economy and the related financial system;

AND WHEREAS a critical part of an individual savings for his later years is his contribution to a long term pension fund;

AND WHEREAS the average length of time spent by any individual in any one organization has shortened considerably;

AND WHEREAS pension plans are currently designed to reward employees who remain with one organization for a considerable period of time;

AND WHEREAS there is no system for pension portability either in the public or private sector in Trinidad and Tobago;

AND WHEREAS the lack of pension portability is a constraint on the free movement of labour resources and the ability of the working citizen to pursue alternative employment opportunity without a substantial loss of pension benefits;

BE IT RESOLVED that the government moves expeditiously to enact legislation to effect the portability of vested pension entitlements for both private and public sector employees.

(By the Member for Port of Spain South)

Jacqui Sampson Meiguel
Clerk of the House

House of Representatives' Secretariat
The Red House
PORT OF SPAIN

November 22, 2010