



SENATE OF THE REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

ORDER PAPER

FIFTH SITTING, THIRD SESSION (2010), NINTH PARLIAMENT
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 02, 2010 AT 1:30 P.M.

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Bills Second Reading:

- (i) A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Supreme Court of Judicature Act, Chap. 4:01
(By the Attorney General)
- (ii) A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Evidence Act, Chap. 7:02
(By the Attorney General)

PRIVATE BUSINESS

Motions:

- (i) **The debate on the following motion which was in progress when the Senate adjourned on Tuesday January 26, 2010 will be resumed:**
WHEREAS the Trinidad and Tobago economy is built on the revenue from oil and gas and whereas the said oil and gas revenues are finite resources;
BE IT RESOLVED that the Government take immediate steps to include the use of renewable energy in the planning process for Government buildings.
(By Senator Dr. Adesh Nanan)
- (ii) **WHEREAS** Trinidad and Tobago is a signatory to the Climate Change Convention and the Kyoto Protocol and whereas global warming will cause sea levels to rise;
BE IT RESOLVED that the Government take immediate steps to protect the coastline from the said sea level rise and salt water intrusion of all agricultural lands.
(By Senator Dr. Adesh Nanan)
- (iii) **WHEREAS** a revolution in the education system in Trinidad and Tobago took place between 1995 and 2001;
AND WHEREAS a very high standard was maintained through the said period;
BE IT RESOLVED that the Government take immediate steps to prevent the lowering of standards in the current education system.
(By Senator Dr. Adesh Nanan)
- (iv) **WHEREAS** Sir Ellis Emmanuel Innocent Clarke, TC, GCMG served this country with distinction as Solicitor-General, Deputy Colonial Secretary, Attorney General, Ambassador, as the main architect of the 1962 Independence Constitution Governor General and President;
AND WHEREAS Noor Mohammed Hassanali served this country with distinction as Magistrate, Senior Crown Counsel, Assistant Solicitor-General, Judge of the High Court and Court of Appeal and President;
AND WHEREAS Arthur Napoleon Raymond Robinson served this country with distinction as Prime Minister and defended the rights and freedoms enshrined in our democratic constitution during the 1990 attempted coup and has been internationally recognized for his efforts to establish the International Criminal Court in 2002;

AND WHEREAS George Michael Chambers served this nation with distinction as Prime Minister;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Government take immediate steps to rename:

- (i) The Churchill-Roosevelt Highway as the Ellis Clarke Highway;
- (ii) The Hall of Justice as the Noor Hassanali Hall of Justice;
- (iii) The Crown Point International Airport as the Arthur N.R. Robinson International Airport; and
- (iv) Wrightson Road as the George Chambers Avenue.

as a symbolic gesture of national gratefulness for their many years of distinguished service.

(By Senator Gail Merhair)

- (v) **WHEREAS** there is an increasing need and demand for participatory democracy;

AND WHEREAS the population is engaged in the process of constitutional reform via dialogue and consultation;

AND WHEREAS there is need to reduce corruption by holders of public office;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Government take steps to amend the Constitution so that all elected and appointed Members of Parliament be limited to serving three consecutive terms or three terms in a lifetime.

(By Senator Gail Merhair)

- (vi) **WHEREAS** there has been recognition of the need for constitutional reform;

AND WHEREAS the population is demanding an even playing field in the conduct of elections;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Government take steps to amend the Constitution to introduce fixed dates for general elections except in the instance of a successful moving of a motion of no confidence in the government.

(By Senator Gail Merhair)

Neil Jaggassar
Clerk of the Senate

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APPENDIX

ORDER PAPER/TUESDAY FEBRUARY 02, 2010 QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

Question No. 6 to the Honourable Minister of Planning, Housing and the Environment (By Senator Dr. Adesh Nanan)

Could the Minister indicate to the Senate the savings realised if any, from 2002 to present, on any energy efficient projects undertaken by the Government?

(Answer due by 16.02.10)

Question No. 7 to the Honourable Minister of Planning, Housing and the Environment (By Senator Dr. Adesh Nanan)

- A. Could the Minister inform the Senate of the number of Government vehicles which have been converted to Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) from 2002 to present?
- B. Could the Minister also give a list detailing the vehicle(s) by the Ministry?

(Answer due by 16.02.10)

Question No. 8 to the Honourable Minister of Planning, Housing and the Environment (By Senator Dr. Adesh Nanan)

Could the Minister indicate the record to date of emission reduction credits from 2002 to present on Government projects for either electricity savings or natural gas savings?

(Answer due by 16.02.10)

Question No. 12 to the Honourable Minister of Public Utilities (By Senator Dr. Adesh Nanan)

Could the Minister indicate the number of wells drilled by WASA from 2002 to present and the location of the said wells?

(Answer due by 16.02.10)

Question No. 18 to the Honourable Minister of Public Administration (By Senator Dr. Adesh Nanan)

- A. Could the Minister indicate how many scholarships were given out for the St Georges Medical School in Grenada for the 2008/2009 academic year?
- B. Could the Minister also give the names and addresses of the recipient's academic qualifications and the criteria used to award the said scholarships?

(Answer due by 16.02.10)

Question No. 19 to the Honourable Attorney General

(By Senator Dr. Adesh Nanan)

Could the Attorney General indicate the laws that have been assented to but are still to be proclaimed from 2002 to present?

(Answer due by 16.02.10)

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