SENATE OF THE REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

ORDER PAPER

TWENTY-FOURTH SITTING, FIFTH SESSION (2014/2015)
TENTH PARLIAMENT
TUESDAY APRIL 14, 2015 AT 10:30 A.M.

1. PRAYERS

2. OATH OF ALLEGIANCE OF A NEW SENATOR

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT

4. BILLS BROUGHT FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

5. PETITIONS

6. PAPERS

   (i) The Second Report of the Auditor General of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago on the Financial Statements of the Airports Authority of Trinidad and Tobago for the year ended December 31, 2000.

   (By the Minister of Finance and the Economy)

   (ii) The Second Report of the Auditor General of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago on the Financial Statements of the Airports Authority of Trinidad and Tobago for the year ended December 31, 2001.

   (By the Minister of Finance and the Economy)

   (iii) The Second Report of the Auditor General of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago on the Financial Statements of the Airports Authority of Trinidad and Tobago for the year ended December 31, 2002.

   (By the Minister of Finance and the Economy)

   (iv) The Unconsolidated Audited Financial Statements of First Citizens Bank Limited for the financial year ended September 30, 2014.

   (By the Minister of Finance and the Economy)

   (v) The Consolidated Audited Financial Statements of First Citizens Bank Limited for the financial year ended September 30, 2014.

   (By the Minister of Finance and the Economy)

   (vi) The Audited Financial Statements of the National Infrastructure Development Company Limited for the financial year ended September 30, 2013.

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(vii) The Audited Financial Statements of the National Commission for Self Help Limited for the financial year ended September 30, 2013.

(By the Minister of Finance and the Economy)

(viii) The Securities (General) By-Laws, 2015.

(By the Minister of Finance and the Economy)

(ix) The 27th Annual Report of the Integrity Commission of Trinidad and Tobago to Parliament for the year 2014.

(By the Vice-President)

7. PRESENTATION OF REPORTS FROM SELECT COMMITTEES

(i) The Twentieth Report of the Joint Select Committee on Ministries, Statutory Authorities and State Enterprises (Group 2), on the Administration and Operations of the Community Improvement Services Limited (CISL).

(By Senator Dr. Victor Wheeler)

8. QUESTIONS TO MINISTERS

QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER APPEAR IN THE APPENDIX

Questions for Oral Answer

***Question No. 66 to the Honourable Minister of Health**

(By Senator Elton Prescott, S.C.)

With respect to the Fifth Report of the Joint Select Committee (Group 1) on the administration and operations of the Ministry of Health (with specific focus on primary health care facilities) presented to the Senate on May 14, 2013:

i. could the Minister confirm whether he has considered the findings and recommendations of this report;
ii. if so, when will a response to this report be laid in Parliament as is prescribed by the Standing Orders of both Houses; and
iii. to what extent have the findings and recommendations been addressed?

***Question No. 67 to the Honourable Minister of Arts and Multiculturalism**

(By Senator Elton Prescott, S.C.)

With respect to the Sixth Report of the Joint Select Committee (Group 1) on the administration and operations of the National Carnival Commission presented to the Senate on March 19, 2013:

i. could the Minister confirm whether he has considered the findings and recommendations of this report;

*Questions Nos. 66 and 67 were deferred for two weeks on 31.03.2015.

ii. if so, when will a response to this report be laid in Parliament as is prescribed by the Standing Orders of both Houses; and

iii. to what extent have the findings and recommendations been addressed?

Question No. 68 to the Honourable Minister of Health

(By Senator Dr. Victor Wheeler)

With respect to the current involvement of the Ministry of Health in new/expanded services at the Scarborough General Hospital, could the Minister state:

i. if there are plans to construct an expanded ICU at the hospital;
ii. if the answer is yes, could the Minister state what is the bed capacity of the new ICU being constructed;
iii. the expected date of completion;
iv. the expected date of commissioning and start of services in the new space; and
v. the budget cost of construction of the expanded ICU?

Question No. 69 to the Honourable Minister of Health

(By Senator Dr. Victor Wheeler)

With respect to the MRI machine to be installed at the Scarborough General Hospital, could the Minister state:

i. the expected completion date of this installation;
ii. the expected date of commissioning and the start of MRI scans being available at the Scarborough General Hospital; and
iii. whether radiology staff have been hired or are being trained to do the MRI scans?

9. QUESTIONS TO CHAIRMEN OF SESSIONAL AND SPECIAL SELECT COMMITTEES

10. REQUESTS FOR LEAVE TO MOVE THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE SENATE ON DEFINITE MATTERS OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

11. STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS OR PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARIES

12. PERSONAL EXPLANATIONS

13. INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

14. MOTIONS RELATING TO THE BUSINESS OR SITTINGS OF THE SENATE AND MOVED BY A MINISTER OR PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY

15. PUBLIC BUSINESS

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Bills Second Reading

(i) **The debate on the following Bill which was in progress when the Senate adjourned on Tuesday March 17, 2015 will be resumed:**

A Bill entitled, "An Act to provide for the monitoring of prescribed activities and the prevention of the diversion of precursor chemicals and other chemical substances used, or capable of being used, in any type of illicit transaction involving narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances and other drugs or substances having a similar effect and for purposes connected therewith".

(By the Minister of National Security)

(ii) A Bill entitled, "An Act to repeal and replace the Trade Marks Act, Chap. 82:81 and to provide for the law relating to trademarks and related matters".

(By the Minister of Legal Affairs)

(iii) **The debate on the following Bill which was in progress when the Senate adjourned on Tuesday November 25, 2014 will be resumed:**

A Bill entitled, "An Act to establish a Council for Urban and Regional Planners and to provide for the regulation of the urban and regional planning profession and other matters incidental thereto".

(By the Minister of Planning and Sustainable Development)

(iv) A Bill entitled, "An Act to amend the Land Tenants (Security of Tenure) Act, Chap 59:54".

(By the Minister of Housing and Urban Development)

(v) A Bill entitled, "An Act to provide for the regulation of the financial business activities of all credit unions and secondary bodies carrying on the business of a credit union and for matters related thereto".

(By the Minister of Finance and the Economy)

(vi) A Bill entitled, "An Act to amend the Co-operative Societies Act, Chap. 81:03".

(By the Minister of Finance and the Economy)

PRIVATE BUSINESS

Motions

(i) **The debate on the following Motion which was in progress when the Senate adjourned on Tuesday March 24, 2015 will be resumed:**

WHEREAS prior to the introduction of the Regional Health Authorities it was recognized that the centralized approach to the management of the public health sector had resulted in allocative inefficiencies, limited managerial capacity and limited authority at the local level;

AND WHEREAS in 1994, the Government of Trinidad and Tobago introduced a comprehensive health sector reform program to address the institutional constraints that have frustrated many of the previous efforts at improving the delivery of public health care;

AND WHEREAS these reforms resulted in administrative decentralization of the health sector through the establishment of autonomous Regional Health Authorities governed by statutory non-executive boards supported by executive management teams;

AND WHEREAS in spite of significant increases in annual expenditure in the health sector, there still remains numerous problems with the delivery of health care;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate call on the Government to take immediate steps to conduct

a comprehensive review of the Regional Health Authority system in the delivery of health care in Trinidad and Tobago.

(By Senator Dr. Victor Wheeler)

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APPENDIX

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QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

Question No. 19 to the Honourable Minister of Sport

(By Senator Camille Robinson-Regis)

A. Could the Minister provide a list of all the clubs, organisations, individuals and other entities and/or persons that have received funding from the Ministry of Sport and the Sports Company of Trinidad and Tobago (SPORTT) for the period June 01, 2010 to November 30, 2014; and

B. Could the Minister state the amount of money paid to each entity and/or person listed in response to (A)?

(Answer due on 05.01.15)

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