



SENATE OF THE REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

ORDER PAPER

TWENTY-FOURTH SITTING, FIRST SESSION (2015/2016)

ELEVENTH PARLIAMENT

TUESDAY JULY 05, 2016 AT 1:30 P.M.

1. PRAYERS
2. OATH OR AFFIRMATION
3. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT
4. BILLS BROUGHT FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
5. PETITIONS
6. PAPERS
 - (i) The Annual Audited Financial Statements of Point Lisas Industrial Port Development Corporation Limited for the year ended December 31, 2015.
(By the Minister of Finance)
 - (ii) The Annual Audited Financial Statements of the Trinidad and Tobago Mortgage Finance Company Limited for the year ended December 31, 2015.
(By the Minister of Finance)
 - (iii) The Ministerial Response to the Twenty-First Report of the Joint Select Committee appointed to inquire into and report to Parliament on Municipal Corporations and Service Commissions (10th Parliament) on a Review of the Administration and Operations of the Siparia Regional Corporation.
(By the Minister of Rural Development and Local Government)
 - (iv) The Ministerial Response to the Twentieth Report of the Joint Select Committee appointed to inquire into and report to Parliament on the Municipal Corporations and Service Commissions (10th Parliament) on a Review of the administration and operations of the Couva/Tabaquite/Talparo Regional Corporation.
(By the Minister of Rural Development and Local Government)
 - (v) The Ministerial Response to the Nineteenth Report of the Joint Select Committee appointed to inquire and report to Parliament on Municipal Corporations and Service Commissions (10th Parliament) on a Review of the Administration and Operations of the Mayaro/Rio Claro Regional Corporation.
(By the Minister of Rural Development and Local Government)

- (vi) The Ministerial Response to the Twenty-Third Report of the Joint Select Committee of Parliament on Ministries (Group 2) (10th Parliament), appointed to inquire into and report to Parliament on the Administration and Operations of Telecommunications Services of Trinidad and Tobago Limited.

(By the Minister of Public Utilities)

- (vii) The Ministerial Response to the Report of the Joint Select Committee on Human Rights, Diversity, the Environment and Sustainable Development (10th Parliament) on the Examination of Programmes and Services which provide Support to Victims of Domestic Violence.

(By Minister of Social Development and Family Services)

7. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

8. URGENT QUESTIONS

9. QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER APPEAR IN THE APPENDIX

Questions for Oral Answer

Question No. 69 to the Minister of Energy and Energy Industries

(By Senator Wade Mark)

Could the Minister inform the Senate of the total area that was covered by three dimensional seismic surveys for each year from 2011 to 2015?

Question No. 70 to the Minister of Energy and Energy Industries

(By Senator Wade Mark)

Could the Minister inform the Senate of the minimum and maximum number of exploration wells that are likely to be drilled in Trinidad and Tobago for each year from 2016 to 2020?

Question No. 71 to the Minister of Finance

(By Senator Wade Mark)

Could the Minister inform the Senate of what is the immediate effect on the national economy with respect to the recent downgrades issued by both Standards and Poor's and Moody's Investors Services?

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
15. PUBLIC BUSINESS

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Bills Second Reading:

- (i) A Bill entitled 'An Act to amend the Remedies of Creditors Act. Chap. 8:09.
(By the Minister of Finance)

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Motions:

- (i) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Senate adopt the First Report of the Joint Select Committee on Government Assurances.
(By Senator Foster Cummings)
- (ii) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Senate adopt the First Report of the Senate Standing Orders Committee, First Session (2015/2016), Eleventh Parliament.
(By Senator Nigel De Freitas)

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Motions:

- (i) **The debate on the following Motion which was in progress when the Senate adjourned on Tuesday June 28, 2016 will be resumed:**

WHEREAS financial and administrative autonomy of Parliament is an undisputed benchmark of a true democracy;

AND WHEREAS a Joint Select Committee established during the Tenth Parliament to consider proposals for the autonomy of Parliament reported to both Houses that parliamentary autonomy should be viewed as a recalibration of the existing relationship between the Executive and the Legislature;

AND WHEREAS the Government, in adopting the 2015 Manifesto of the People's National Movement as its official policy framework, confirmed its commitment to the principles of parliamentary autonomy;

BE IT RESOLVED that a Joint Select Committee of Parliament be established to consider and report within three (3) months on a legislative formula for parliamentary autonomy in Trinidad and Tobago.

(By Senator Wade Mark)

- (ii) **BE IT RESOLVED** that this House take note of the escalating levels of job losses in the country since September 2015 and condemn the Government for its failure to present a clear and cogent economic policy to guide Trinidad and Tobago through these challenging economic circumstances.
(By Senator Wade Mark)

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QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

Question No. 85 to the Prime Minister

(By Senator Wade Mark)

Can the Prime Minister please state:

- a) how many times he has travelled abroad on official business over the period September 7, 2015 to May 30, 2016; and
- b) the total cost of such foreign travel including that of the official delegation accompanying the Prime Minister?

(Answer due by 01.07.2016)

Question No. 86 to the Attorney General

(By Senator Wade Mark)

With respect to the retaining of private legal services for the period September 7, 2015 to May 30, 2016, by the Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs, could the Attorney General please indicate:

- a) the names of the attorneys-at-law or legal firms retained;
- b) the total amounts paid and/or owed to said attorneys or legal firms; and
- c) the details of each engagement including the nature of each brief?

(Answer due by 01.07.2016)

Question No 87 to the Attorney General

(By Senator Wade Mark)

For the period September 07, 2015 to May 30, 2016, can the Attorney General please identify:

- a) each legal matter for which an out of court settlement has been approved and/or effected;
- b) the attorneys-at-law representing the complainant/claimant; and
- c) the total amounts approved and/or paid to the attorneys and complainants?

(Answer due by 01.07.2016)

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NOTICE OF URGENT QUESTIONS

The under-mentioned Questions which have been accepted by the Vice-President in accordance with Standing Order 25 are hereby forwarded for the attention of the Ministers concerned.

1. TO THE MINISTER OF NATIONAL SECURITY

In light of the recent attack in Enterprise Chaguanas in which it is claimed that an AR-15 Sub-machine gun was used, can the Minister state what measures are being taken to rid the nation's streets of high-powered assault weapons?

(By Senator Wade Mark)

2. TO THE MINISTER OF FINANCE

In light of reports from the CLICO Stakeholders Alliance that \$6 billion seems to be missing from the CLICO Statutory Fund, can the Minister inform the Senate as to whether these claims are valid?

(By Senator Wade Mark)

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