

BRITISH GUIANA

FIRST SENATE

FIRST SESSION

1961 - 1962

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the 13th Sitting of the Senate of the Colony of British Guiana under the British Guiana (Constitution) Order in Council, 1961, held in the Chamber of the Legislature at the Public Buildings, Georgetown, Demerara,

AT 9.00 A.M.
on

MONDAY, 24TH SEPTEMBER, 1962.

PRESENT:

Appointed under Article 47(2)(a):

His Honour the President, Senator Ashton Chase.

Senator the Honourable H.J.M. Hubbard,
Minister of Trade and Industry.

Senator the Honourable C.V. Nunes,
Minister of Education and Social Development.

Senator the Honourable C.V. Christian,
Minister of Home Affairs.

Senator M. Khan
Senator C.S. Persaud
Senator Christina Ramjattan
Senator H. Thomas

Appointed under Article 47(2)(b):

Senator Anne Jardim

Appointed under Article 47(2)(c):

Senator A.G. Tasker, O.B.E.
Senator C.V. Too-Chung

Clerk of the Legislature - Mr. I. Crum Ewing.
Assistant Clerk of the Legislature - Mr. F.A. Narain (Ag.)

PRAYERS

The Clerk read prayers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The President read two letters from the Speaker forwarding for the consideration of the Senate the following Bills:-

(a) WILD BIRDS PROTECTION (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1962.

(b) PROPERTY TAX AND THE GIFT TAX BILL, 1962.

The Speaker had also endorsed the Property Tax and the Gift Tax Bill, 1962, as a Money Bill.

- (c) Report of the Director of Audit on the Accounts of the Government Produce Depot for the year ended 31st December, 1960. (M. 2/120/2^V).
- (d) Report of the Director of Audit on the Accounts of the Government Produce Depot, New Amsterdam for the year ended 31st December, 1960. (M. 2/120/2^V).
- (e) Report of the Director of Audit on the Accounts of the Commodity Control Organisation for the years 1959 and 1960. (S.P. 398/11⁽¹¹⁾)(Circulated).
- (f) Address by the Hon. C.V. Nunes, Minister of Education and Social Development, at the 11th Biennial Conference of the Caribbean Union of Teachers, at Queen's College on Tuesday, 21st August, 1962. (Circulated).
- (g) Report by the Minister of Education and Social Development on the Common Services Conference held at Port-of-Spain, Trinidad, from July 10 to July 18, 1962.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS - First Reading.

(a) PROBATION OF OFFENDERS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1962.

The Minister of Home Affairs presented the BILL intituled AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE PROBATION OF OFFENDERS ORDINANCE, and intimated that in accordance with the notice given, he would move at the appropriate time the suspension of the relevant Standing Orders to enable him to proceed with the Bill through its remaining stages.

The Bill was read the first time.

(b) WILD BIRDS PROTECTION (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1962.

The Minister of Education and Social Development presented the BILL intituled AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE WILD BIRDS PROTECTION ORDINANCE, and intimated that in accordance with the notice given, he would move at the appropriate time the suspension of the relevant Standing Orders to enable him to proceed with the Bill through its remaining stages.

The Bill was read the first time.

(c) PROPERTY TAX AND THE GIFT TAX BILL, 1962.

The Minister of Trade and Industry presented the BILL intituled AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE LEVY OF TAXES COMPUTED BY REFERENCE TO PROPERTY AND GIFTS, and intimated that in accordance with the notice given, he would move at the appropriate time the suspension of the relevant Standing Orders to enable him to proceed with the Bill through its remaining stages.

The Bill was read the first time.

(c) ASSOCIATION OF BAPTIST CHURCHES IN BRITISH GUIANA (INCORPORATION) BILL, 1962.

The BILL intituled AN ORDINANCE TO INCORPORATE THE ASSOCIATION OF BAPTIST CHURCHES IN BRITISH GUIANA AND FOR PURPOSES CONNECTED THEREWITH was read the first time.

Item 3 - MOTION TO REFUND STAMP DUTY.

On a motion by Senator Khan, seconded by Senator Thomas, the Senate adopted the following Resolution:-

RESOLVED, That this Senate recommends to Government the refund to the British Guiana United Sad'r Islamic Anjuman of the sum of one hundred dollars paid in terms of the Tax Ordinance, Chapter 298, for the Private Bill intituled "An Ordinance to incorporate certain persons as trustees of the body known as the United Sad'r Islamic Anjuman, to vest in such persons certain property and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid".

ADJOURNMENT

At 11.00 a.m., on a motion by the Minister of Trade and Industry, the Senate was adjourned to 9.00 a.m. on Tuesday, the 25th of September, 1962.

Asst. Sec. Gen.
President.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS,
Georgetown.

24th September, 1962.