

BRITISH GUIANA

FIRST SENATE

FIRST SESSION

1961 - 1962

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the 12th 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, 30TH JULY, 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 Christina Ramjattan

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.)

Absent:

Senator C.S. Persaud - on leave.

Senator H. Thomas - on leave.

PRAYERS

The Clerk read prayers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

(i) Leave

The President announced that leave had been granted to -

(a) Senator C.S. Persaud until the end of August, 1962;
and

(b) Senator H.W. Thomas until the 31st of July, 1962.

(ii) Bills from Legislative Assembly -

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

(a) NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT SAVINGS LEVY BILL, 1962.

(b) TRANSPORT AND HARBOURS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1962.

The Speaker had also endorsed the National Development Savings Levy Bill, 1962, as a Money Bill.

The President intimated that the Minister of Trade and Industry had expressed his willingness to take charge of the Bills.

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS AND REPORTS, ETC.

(i) By the Minister of Trade and Industry:

(a) Report of the Director of Audit on the Accounts of the Minor Industries Sales and Display Centre for the year ended 31st December, 1960. (M.I. 57/10/4/2).

(b) Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts of the British Guiana Rice Development Company, Limited, for the year ended 31st August, 1961. (T.I. 5/8/4)(Circulated).

(ii) By the Minister of Education and Social Development:

Report of the Sugar Industry Labour Welfare Fund Committee for the year 1960. (HTP: 342/48/2 III)(Circulated).

(iii) By the Minister of Home Affairs:

Electoral Provisions (Registration) Regulations, 1962 (No. 10). (Circulated).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS - First Reading.

The following Bills were read the first time:

(a) NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT SAVINGS LEVY BILL, 1962.

(b) TRANSPORT AND HARBOURS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1962.

The Minister of Trade and Industry 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 Bills through the remaining stages.

PUBLIC BUSINESS

BILLS - Second and Third Readings.

Item 1 - NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT SAVINGS LEVY BILL, 1962 - Bill No. 16/1962 (L.A.)(Money Bill).

The relevant Standing Orders were suspended to enable the Senate to proceed with the remaining stages of the BILL intituled AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE PROVISION FOR THE LEVY OF COMPULSORY SAVINGS TO BE UTILISED FOR WORKS OF DEVELOPMENT IN BRITISH GUIANA, AND FOR THE ISSUE OF BONDS THEREFOR, THE PAYMENT OF INTEREST THEREON AND OF PRIZES WITH RESPECT THERETO AND FOR THE REDEMPTION THEREOF.

On a motion by the Minister of Trade and Industry, the Bill was read a second time. Thereafter, the Bill was read the third time and passed as printed.

Item 2 - TRANSPORT AND HARBOURS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1962 -
Bill No. 17/1962 (L.A.)

The relevant Standing Orders were suspended to enable the Senate to proceed with the remaining stages of the BILL intituled AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE TRANSPORT AND HARBOURS ORDINANCE.

On a motion by the Minister of Trade and Industry, the Bill was read a second time and was thereafter taken through its remaining stages and passed as printed.

ADJOURNMENT

At 11.00 a.m. on a motion by the Minister of Trade and Industry, the Senate was adjourned to a date to be fixed.

John G. Brown
President.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS,
Georgetown.

14th August, 1962.