

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ORDER PAPER

FOR THE 123RD SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE FIRST SESSION

(2006 - 2010) OF THE NINTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA TO BE HELD

AT 2.00 P.M.

ON THURSDAY, 22ND APRIL, 2010

IN THE PARLIAMENT CHAMBER, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, GEORGETOWN

BUSINESS FOR SITTING

PRAYERS

OATH OF A NEW MEMBER-

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT-

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER-

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS-

Private Bill

***By Mr. Donald Ramotar, M.P.**

Petition on behalf of the Guyana and Trinidad Mutual Fire Insurance Company Limited seeking to have introduced in the Assembly a Private Bill to amend the Guyana Trinidad Mutual Fire Insurance Company Limited Ordinance, Chapter 210 of the Kingdom Edition of the Laws of British Guiana (Principal Ordinance).

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***Not to be proceeded with at this sitting**

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After the petition is read, the Speaker will put the question that the promoters be allowed to proceed.

(Circulated)

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS AND REPORTS-

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES-

(1) By the Speaker of the National Assembly, (Chairman of the Committee of Selection):

Minutes of Proceedings of the 20th Meeting of the Committee of Selection, held on Thursday, 8th April, 2010.

(To be Circulated)

(2) By the Minister of Human Services and Social Security, (Chairperson of the Special Select Committee on the Sexual Offences Bill 2009):

Report of the Special Select Committee on the Sexual Offences Bill 2009 – Bill No. 30/2009.

(Circulated)

(3) By the Minister of Health, (Chairman of the Special Select Committee on Persons with Disabilities Bill 2009):

Report of the Special Select Committee on Persons with Disabilities Bill 2009 – Bill No. 44/2009.

(To be Circulated)

ORAL QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE-

For Written replies

1. HEALTH SECTOR POLICY

Member Asking: Mrs. Sheila Holder, M.P.

Minister Answering: The Minister of Health

Is there a Health Sector Policy?

(i) If so, could the Honourable Minister give the House a status report on the progress being made, measuring where we are as against where the Policy says we should be?

(ii) How many resignations across categories of nurses/doctors and other health workers, did the public health sector experienced last year?

(Notice Paper No. 427 (Q306 Opp281) published on 2010-03-05)

2. EFFICIENCY AND EFFECTIVENESS MEASUREMENTS IN THE HEALTH SECTOR

Member Asking: Mrs. Sheila Holder, M.P.

Minister Answering: The Minister of Health

Could the Honourable Minister of Health tell the House what efficiency and effectiveness measurements he applies to the Health sector?

(Notice Paper No. 428 (Q307 Opp282) published on 2010-03-05)

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3. **VACANCIES IN THE HEALTH SECTOR**

Member Asking: Mrs. Sheila Holder, M.P.

Minister Answering: The Minister of Health

Could the Honourable Minister of Health say how many vacancies, in each category, there are in the health service across regions and how does the Budget provide for these to be filled during this year?

(Notice Paper No. 429 (Q308 Opp283) published on 2010-03-05)

4. **FINANCIAL AFFAIRS OF THE GEORGETOWN PUBLIC HOSPITAL CORPORATION**

Member Asking: Mrs. Sheila Holder, M.P.

Minister Answering: The Minister of Health

Will the Minister of Health ensure that the corporatized Georgetown Public Hospital Corporation conduct its financial affairs according to the law and avoid the annual reprimand by the Auditor General?

(Notice Paper No. 430 (Q309 Opp284) published on 2010-03-05)

5. **SUPPLEMENTARY FINANCIAL PAPERS – PURCHASE OF DRUGS AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES**

Member Asking: Mrs. Sheila Holder, M.P.

Minister Answering: The Minister of Health

Can the Honourable Minister of Health say if the 2010 Budget takes account of the supplementary financial papers approved by this Assembly late last year giving the Ministry of Health money to buy drugs and medical supplies through to the end of April?

(Notice Paper No. 431 (Q310 Opp285) published on 2010-03-05)

STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS, INCLUDING POLICY STATEMENTS-

PERSONAL EXPLANATIONS-

REQUESTS FOR LEAVE TO MOVE THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE ASSEMBLY ON DEFINITE MATTERS OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE-

MOTIONS RELATING TO THE BUSINESS OR SITTINGS OF THE ASSEMBLY AND MOVED BY A MINISTER-

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS-

PUBLIC BUSINESS -

(i) **GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**

BILLS – Second Readings

1. **POUNDS (AMENDMENT) BILL 2010 – Bill No. 4 /2010 published on 2010-03-26**

The Minister of Home Affairs to move the second reading of the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to amend the Pounds Act.

(Read a first time on 2010-04-08)

2. **THE SEXUAL OFFENCES BILL 2009 – Bill No. 30/2009 published on 2009-07-08**

The Minister of Human Services and Social Security to move the second reading of the following Bill, which was referred to a Special Select Committee for consideration and report:

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A BILL intituled AN ACT to reform and consolidate the laws relating to sexual offences and to provide for related matters.

(Read a first time and committed to the Special Select Committee on 2009-07-09)

BILLS – Committee and Third Readings

***3. MARITIME ZONES BILL 2009 – Bill No. 36/2009 published on 2009-10-08**

The Assembly to proceed upon the further stages of the following Bill, after the Special Select Committee has reported thereon:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to repeal and replace the Maritime Boundaries Act 1977, to incorporate certain provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea and the UNESCO Convention on the Protection of the Underwater Cultural Heritage 2001, to provide for marine scientific research, maritime cultural area, eco-tourism, marine parks and reserves and mariculture, the protection and preservation of the marine environment and for related matters.

(Read a first time on 2009-10-15)

(Read a second time and committed to the Special Select Committee on 2009-10-29)

***4. CREDIT REPORTING BILL 2009 – Bill No. 37/2009 published on 2009-10-22**

The Assembly to proceed upon the further stages of the following Bill, after the Special Select Committee has reported thereon:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to establish a credit reporting industry with the aim of enabling more reliable, competitive, and responsible credit lending while protecting borrowers' rights.

(Read a first time on 2009-10-29)

(Read a second time and committed to the Special Select Committee on 2009-11-12)

***Not to be proceeded with at this sitting**

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*5. **PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES BILL 2009 – Bill No. 44/2009 published on 2009-11-19**

The Assembly to proceed upon the further stages of the following Bill, after the Special Select Committee has reported thereon:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to provide certain rights to persons with disabilities; to provide for the promotion and protection and full and equal enjoyment of the rights; to facilitate the enforcement of the rights; to eliminate discrimination on the basis of disability; to provide for the welfare and rehabilitation of persons with disabilities; to provide for the registration of persons with disabilities; to establish the National Commission on Disabilities; and for connected purposes.

(Read a first time on 2009-11-19)

(Read a second time and committed to the Special Select Committee on 2009-11-26)

*6. **LEGAL PRACTITIONERS (AMENDMENT) BILL 2009 – Bill No. 45/2009 published on 2009-11-26**

The Assembly to proceed upon the further stages of the following Bill, after the Special Select Committee has reported thereon:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to amend the Legal Practitioners Act.

(Read a first time on 2009-11-26)

(Read a second time and committed to the Special Select Committee on 2009-12-21)

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***Not to be proceeded with at this sitting**

BILLS – Second Readings, Committee and Third Readings

*7. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL 2009 – Bill No. 23/2009 published 2009-06-03**

The Assembly to proceed upon the further stages of the following Bill, after the Special Select Committee has reported thereon:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to amend the Local Government Act.

(Read a first time and committed to the Special Select Committee on 2009-06-04)

*8. **FISCAL TRANSFERS BILL 2009 - Bill No. 25/2009 published on 2009-06-11**

The Assembly to proceed upon the further stages of the following Bill, after the Special Select Committee has reported thereon:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to provide for the formulation and implementation of objective criteria for the purpose of the allocation of resources to and the garnering of resources by local democratic organs and for matters connected therewith.

(Read a first time and committed to the Special Select Committee on 2009-06-11)

*9. **MUNICIPAL AND DISTRICT COUNCILS (AMENDMENT) BILL 2009 – Bill No. 26/2009 published on 2009-06-11**

The Assembly to proceed upon the further stages of the following Bill, after the Special Select Committee has reported thereon:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to amend the Municipal and District Councils Act.

(Read a first time and committed to the Special Select Committee on 2009-06-11)

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***Not to be proceeded with at this sitting**

*10. **CUSTODY, CONTACT, GUARDIANSHIP AND MAINTENANCE BILL 2009 – Bill No. 29/2009 published on 2009-06-25**

The Assembly to proceed upon the further stages of the following Bill, after the Special Select Committee has reported thereon:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to provide for the granting of custody, contact, guardianship and maintenance rights with respect to children and for connected purposes.

(Read a first time and committed to the Special Select Committee on 2009-06-25)

*11. **CHILDCARE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES BILL 2009 – Bill No. 31/2009 published on 2009-07-08**

The Assembly to proceed upon the further stages of the following Bill, after the Special Select Committee has reported thereon:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to regulate childcare services and to provide for parameters for the granting of licences for childcare and development services and connected matters.

(Read a first time and committed to the Special Select Committee on 2009-07-09)

(ii) **PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Presentation and first Readings

*1. **BROADCASTING BILL 2010 – Bill No. 3/2010**

Mr. Khemraj Ramjattan, M.P., is to seek leave to present the following Bill:

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A BILL intituled AN ACT to make provision for the establishment of a Broadcasting Authority, to provide for their functions, and to provide for the licensing of broadcasting agencies and the encouragement of production and broadcasting of television and radio programmes having relevance generally to life and culture of the people and for consequential and related matters.

*2. **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION BILL 2006 – Bill No. 26/2006**

Mr. Raphael Trotman, M.P., is to seek leave to present the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to give access to information to members of the public.

(iii) **COMMITTEES BUSINESS**

MOTIONS

12. **ADOPTION OF THE FOURTH PERIODIC REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY SECTORAL COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICES**

Ms Amna Ally, M.P., (Chairperson of the Parliamentary Sectoral Committee on Social Services) to move the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Fourth Periodic Report of the Parliamentary Sectoral Committee on Social Services be adopted.

(Notice Paper No. 456 (M131 Opp 35) published on 2010-04-08)

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***Not to be proceeded with at this sitting**

***13. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE SPECIAL SELECT COMMITTEE ON
THE IMPACT OF GLOBAL FOOD PRICE INCREASES**

The Minister of Agriculture to move the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Report of the Special Select Committee on the Impact of Global Food Price Increases be adopted.

(Notice Paper No. 455 (M130 Govt 82) published on 2010-03-17)

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S.E. ISAACS
Clerk of the National Assembly

**PARLIAMENT OFFICE,
Public Buildings,
Brickdam,
Georgetown.**

16th April, 2010.

***Not to be proceeded with at this sitting**

