

SECOND SESSION

1962

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the 3<sup>d</sup> Sitting of the Legislative Assembly 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 2.00 P.M.  
on

WEDNESDAY, 19TH DECEMBER, 1962.

PRESENT:

Mr. W.O.R. Kendall, Deputy Speaker In the Chair.

(a) Members of the Government

People's Progressive Party

(i) Ministers

Dr. the Honourable C.B. Jagan, Premier and Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Planning.  
The Honourable B.H. Benn, Minister of Natural Resources  
The Honourable Ram Karan, Minister of Works and Hydraulics.  
The Honourable R. Chandisingh, Minister of Labour, Health and Housing.  
Dr. the Honourable Charles Jacob, Jr., Minister of Finance.  
Dr. the Honourable F.H.W. Attorney-General.  
The Honourable E.M.G. Wills, Minister of Communications

(ii) Parliamentary Secretaries

G. Bowman, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Natural Resources  
Mr. L.E.M. Mann, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Finance.  
Mr. S.M. Saffee, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Works and Hydraulics.

(iii) Other Members

Mr. G.L. Robertson  
Mr. M. Bhagwan  
Mr. J.B. Caldeira  
Mr. V. Downer  
Mr. M. Hamid  
Mr. D.C. Jagan  
Mr. H. Lall  
Mr. M. Shakoor

(b) Members Constituted by the Minor Parties

(i) People's National Congress

Mr. L.F.S. Burnham, Q.C.  
Mr. J. Carter, Q.C.  
Mr. E.F. Correia  
Mr. N.J. Bissember  
Mr. W.A. Blair  
Mr. R.S.S. Hugh  
Mr. J.G. Joaquin

Mr. R.J. Jordan  
Mr. C.A. Merriman  
Mr. H.M.S. Wharton

(11) United Force

Mr. P.S. d'Aguiar  
Mr. S. Campbell  
Mr. R.E. Cheeks  
Mr. E.E. Melville

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

Absent:

His Honour the Speaker, Mr. R.B. Gajraj - indisposed.  
Mr. B.S. Rai.

PRAYERS

The Clerk read prayers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Deputy Speaker announced that H's Honour the Speaker was indisposed.

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS AND REPORTS

By the

- (i) Government Wharves (Charges)  
by the Governor on the 1st of December, 1962.  
(P.W. 10 /41/2)(Circulated).
- (ii) Government Wharves (Public Works Department) Rules,  
1962, made by the Governor on the 1st of December,  
1962.  
(P.W. 10 /41/2)(Circulated).

QUESTIONS TO MINISTERS

Question No. 1

Mr. Wharton asked the following question:

QUESTION: Has the post of Secretary, Cal Government Board, become vacant recently? If so, when will the vacancy be advertised?

The Attorney-General gave the following reply:

ANSWER: The answer to the first part of the question by the Honourable Member for Abary in the negative; consequently, the second part of the question does not arise.

A supplementary question was asked by Mr. Bissember.

PUBLIC BUSINESSBILL - Committee andItem 1 - INCOME TAX AME

On a motion by the Minister of himself into Committee to resume consideration of the BILL intituled AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE INCOME TAX ORDINANCE.

In Committee

Clause 3 - The Minister of Finance moved the following further amendment to paragraph (e) which was put and carried:

Insertion of the following after sub-paragraph (v) of the new section (2) (c):

"(vi) the realisation by a liquidator of the assets of a company in liquidation for the purpose of the dissolution of the company and return of the proceeds of the realisation to the shareholders of the company;"

Clause 3 as amended was then put and carried.

With the leave of Committee, Clause was recommitted to allow Mr. d'Aguiar to move the following amendment to paragraph (e) which was put and negatived:

Deletion of the following in the new section (2)(d)(i):

", and the value of the property at the time when it was acquired as aforesaid by such person shall be an amount equal to the market value of the property on 1st January, 1956".

Thereafter, Clause 3 as amended was put and carried.

Clause 4 - Clause 4 was under consideration when the hour for the suspension was reached.

Suspension of Sitting

At 4.02 p.m. the sitting was suspended for tea.

Resumption of Sitting

At 4.37 p.m. the sitting was resumed.

Clauses 4 and 5 - were passed as intended.

Clause 6 - The Minister of Finance moved the following amendments to the new section 66(C)(2), which were put and carried:

- (i) Insertion of the word "aforesaid" between the words "the" and "emoluments" in the fourth and tenth lines of the first proviso.
- (ii) Substitution of the word "assessable" for "accessible" in the eleventh line of the second proviso.

Thereafter, Clause 6 as amended was put and carried.

Clause 7 - The Minister of Finance m ed the following amendments to the new section 69(A) which were put and carried:-

- (i) Deletion of the word "only" between the words "shall" and "be" in the fifth line of subsection (6).
- (ii) Insertion of the word "only" between the words "binding" and "in" in the fifth line of subsection (6).
- (iii) Substitution of the words "such other" for the word "any" at the commencement of subsection (8)(m).
- (iv) Deletion of the word "fficial" between the words "the" and "Galette" in the second line of subsection 8)(m).
- (v) Substitution of the word "of" for the word "or" between the words "certificate" and "identity" in the fourth line of subsection (10).
- (vi) Substitution of the words "pursuance of" for the words "pursuant to" in the fifth line of subsection (11).
- (vii) Insertion of the words "or leave" between the words "enter" and "British Guiana" in the sixth line of subsection (13).

Thereafter, Clause 7 as amended was put and carried.

Clauses 8 to 11 - were passed as printed.

Assembly resumed.

### Third Reading

On a motion by the Minister of Finance, the Bill was read the third time and passed as amended in committee.

### MOTIONS

Item 2 - ~~RESOLUTION ON THE GOVERNMENT WHARVES CHARGES~~

On a motion by the Minister of Labour, Health and Housing, the following Resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, That the Rent Restriction Ordinance, Chapter 186, shall continue in force for a further period of one year up to and including the 31st day of December, 1963.

### GOVERNMENT WHARVES CHARGES

On a motion by the Minister of Works and Hydraulics, the following Resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, That the Legislature in terms of section 4 of the Government Wharves Ordinance, Chapter 263, approves of the Government Wharves (Charges) Rules, 1962, which were made by the Governor on the 1st December, 1962.

Item 4

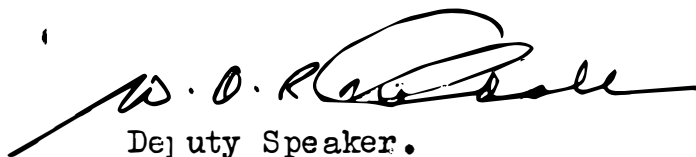
## NT WHARVES PUBLIC

On a motion by the Minister of Works and Hydraulics, the following Resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, That the Legislature in terms of section 4 of the Government Wharves Ordinance, Chapter 263, approves of the Government Wharves (Public Works Department) Rules, 1962, which were made by the Governor on the 1st December, 1962.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6.25 p.m., on a motion by the Minister of Works and Hydraulics, the Assembly was adjourned to 2.00 p.m. on Thursday, the 20th of December, 1962.

  
Deputy Speaker.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS,  
Georgetown.

20th December, 1962.