

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF THE 43RD SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE THIRD  
SESSION (1983-1985) OF THE FOURTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA HELD

AT 14:00 hrs

ON WEDNESDAY 1985-01-30

IN THE PARLIAMENT CHAMBER, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, GEORGETOWN

MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY (74)

Speaker (1)

\*Cde. Sase Narain, O.R., J.P., M.P., Speaker of the National Assembly

Members of the Government - People's National Congress (61)

Prime Minister (1)

Cde. H.D. Hoyte, S.C., M.P., Prime Minister

Other Vice-President and First Deputy Prime Minister (1)

Cde. H. Green, M.P., Vice-President, Social Infrastructure and  
First Deputy Prime Minister (Absent)

Other Vice-Presidents and Deputy Prime Ministers (2)

\*Cde. Dr. M. Shahabuddeen, O.R., S.C., M.P., Vice-President,  
Deputy Prime Minister and Attorney General

Cde. R. Chandisingh, M.P., Vice-President, National Development and Deputy  
Prime Minister

Other Deputy Prime Minister (1)

\*Cde. W.A.L.H. Parris, C.C.H., M.P., Deputy Prime Minister, Planning

Senior Ministers (8)

\*Cde. R.E. Jackson, M.P., Minister of Foreign Affairs

\*Cde. J.R. Thomas, M.P., Minister of Home Affairs

Cde. R.H.O. Corbin, M.P., Minister of National Mobilisation

Cde. H. Rashid, M.P., Minister of Energy and Mines

\*Cde. C.B. Greenidge, M.P., Minister of Finance

Cde. Sallahuddin, M.P., Minister of Forestry

Cde. Dr. R.A. Van West-Charles, M.P., Minister of Health and Public Welfare

\*Cde. M.L. Parris, M.P., Minister of Education

Ministers (6)

Cde. Urmia Johnson, M.P., Minister within the Ministry of National Development

Cde. Yvonne V. Harwood-Benn, M.P., Minister within the Ministry of Education

\*Cde. K.W.E. Denny, M.P., Minister of Manpower and Co-operatives

Cde. R.C. Fredericks, A.A., M.P., Minister of Youth and Sport within the  
Ministry of Education

Cde. S. Prashad, M.P., Minister of Transport within the Vice-Presidency of  
Social Infrastructure

\*Cde. Dr. S.P. DaSilva, M.P., Minister within the Ministry of Agriculture

Ministers of State (2)

Cde. M. Corrica, M.P., Minister of State within the Ministry of Internal  
Trade and Consumer Protection

Cde. H.L.B. Singh, M.S., M.P., Minister of State within the Ministry of  
Regional Development (Absent-or-leave)

\*Non-elected Member

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Parliamentary Secretaries (3)

Cde. Agnes W. Bend-Kirton-Holder, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary, Housing,  
within the Ministry of Health and Public Welfare  
Cde. D.A.N. Ainsworth, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary, Youth  
Cde. B. Bhaggan, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary, National Development

Government Chief Whip (1)

Cde. Bidiawattie Tiwari, M.P., Government Chief Whip

Other Members (24)

Cde. O.E. Clarke, M.P.  
Cde. R.E. Williams, M.P. (Absent)  
Cde. J.P. Chowritmootoo, J.P., M.P.  
Cde. Philomena A. Rayman, M.P.  
Cde. J.B. Caldeira, M.P.  
Cde. E.H.A. Fowler, M.P.  
Cde. Joyce Gill-Mingo, M.P.  
Cde. M. Ally, M.P.  
Cde. M. Armogan, M.S., J.P., M.P.  
Cde. Bissoondai Beniprashad, M.P., (Absent- on leave)  
Cde. A.A. Chin, M.P.  
Cde. Elaine B. Davidson, M.P.  
Cde. H. Doobay, M.P.  
Cde. A.B. Felix, M.P.  
Cde. Patricia Fredericks, M.P.  
Cde. E.F. Gilbert, M.P.  
Cde. A. McRae, M.P.  
Cde. Joyce M. Munroe, J.P., M.P.  
Cde. R.N. Primo, M.P.  
Cde. C.G. Sharma, J.P., M.P.  
Cde. C. Vandenburg, M.P.  
Cde. Edwina Melville, M.P.  
Cde. Y. Khan, M.P.  
(One seat vacant)

Members from the National Congress of Local Democratic Organs (2)

Cde. R. Bishop, M.S., M.P.  
Cde. Bhagmatee Latchminarayan, M.P.

Members from the Regional Democratic Councils (10)

Cde. Dianne Abraham, M.P. (Region No. 8 - Potaro/Siparuni) (Absent)  
Cde. W. Bipat, J.P., M.P. (Region No. 4 - Demerara/Mahaica)  
Cde. Nellie R. Charles, M.P. (Region No. 7 - Cuyuni/Mazaruni)  
Cde. I. Chowritmootoo, M.P. (Region No. 6 - East Berbice/Corentyne)  
Cde. D. Hinds, M.P. (Region No. 10 - Upper Demerara/Berbice)  
Cde. K.V. Jairam, M.P. (Region No. 2 - Pomeroon/Supenaam)  
Cde. K.N. Jone, M.P. (Region No. 1 - Barima/Waini)  
Cde. H.I. London, M.S., M.P. (Region No. 5 - Mahaica/Berbice)  
Cde. Cora Singh, M.P. (Region No. 3 - Essequibo Islands/Weat Demerara)  
(Vacant) (Region No. 9 - Upper Takutu/Upper Essequibo)

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Members of the Minority (12)(i) People's Progressive Party (10)Minority Leader (1)

Cde. Dr. C. Jagan, M.P., Minority Leader

Deputy Speaker (1)

Cde. Ram Karran, M.P., Deputy Speaker of the **National Assembly**

Other Members (8)

Cde. Janet Jagan, M.P. (Absent - on leave)

Cde. Roopu Daman Persaud, J.P., M.P., Minority Chief Whip

Cde. N. Persaud, M.P.

Cde. C.C. Collymore, M.P. (Absent)

Cde. S.F. Mohamed, M.P.

Cde. I. Basir, M.P.

Cde. C.C. Belgrave, M.P.

Cde. H. Nokta, M.P.

(ii) United Force (2)

Mr. M.F. Singh, C.C.H., J.P., M.P.

Mr. M.A. Abraham, M.P.

OFFICERS

Cde. F.A. Narain, A.A., Clerk of the National Assembly

Cde. M.B. Henry, Deputy Clerk of the National Assembly

PRAYERS

The Clerk read Prayers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKERLeave

The Speaker announced that leave had been granted to Cde. Beniprashad for two weeks from that day's sitting.

PUBLIC BUSINESSMOTIONAPPROVAL OF ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE FOR 1985

Assembly resumed the debate on the motion for the approval of the Estimates of Expenditure for the financial year 1985.

The Minority Leader and Prime Minister spoke to the motion.

Thereafter, Assembly resolved itself into Committee of Supply to consider the Estimates of Expenditure for the financial year 1985.

In Committee of SupplyCorrection to Estimates of Expenditure

The Chairman drew Members' attention to the following corrections:-

Section A - Current Estimates

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(In some books only).

(a) Under Budget 1985 and:

- (i) Against total Appropriation Expenses to be voted, deletion of 2,152 and substitution of 1,506.
- (ii) Against total Other Charges, deletion of 1,068 and substitution of 422.
- (iii) Against subhead 312, deletion of 663 and substitution of 17.

(b) Under Notes deletion of note against other charges.

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Under Budget 1985 and:

- (i) Against subhead 305, deletion of - and substitution of 1.
- (ii) Against subhead 306, deletion of 58 and substitution of 69.
- (iii) Against subhead 307, deletion of 12 and substitution of 35.
- (iv) Against subhead 308, deletion of 35 and substitution of 70.
- (v) Against subhead 309, deletion of 70 and substitution of 35.
- (vi) Against subhead 310, deletion of 35 and substitution of -.

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(a) Under Budget 1985 and :

- (i) Against subhead 310, deletion of 1,859 and substitution of -.
- (ii) Against subhead 312, deletion of - and substitution of 1,859.

(b) Under Notes and against Other Charges, deletion of note against 310.

Section B. - Capital Estimates

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Under Budget 1984 and:

- (i) Against subhead 31004101, deletion of 4,150 and substitution of 4,500.
- (ii) Against Total, deletion of 42,250 and substitution of 42,600.

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(a) Against subhead 1406 2801 East Bank Berbice Road and:

- (i) Under Latest Estimates 1984, deletion of "116" and substitution of "-"
- (ii) Under Budget 1984, deletion of "1,653" and substitution of "-"
- (iii) Under Notes, deletion of "Drainage works on the East Bank Berbice Road" and substitution of "Construction of 2.5 miles of road from Sisters to Everton. Expenditure for 1984 shown under Division 535, subhead 1406 2401".

(b) At the bottom of page and:

- (i) Under Subhead (Project Code) insertion of "1406 2803"
- (ii) Under Project Title insertion of "East Bank Berbice Road (Drainage Works)".
- (iii) Under Latest Estimates 1984 insertion of "116"
- (iv) Under Budget 1984 insertion of "1,653".
- (v) Under Notes insertion of "Expenditure for 1985 shown under Division 526, Subhead 4400 4104".

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- Page 29 Under Budget 1984:
- (i) Against subhead 23042401, deletion of 112 and substitution of 700.
  - (ii) Against Total, deletion of 3,127 and substitution of 3,715.
- Page 35
- (a) Under 1985 Budget Total and against Total, deletion of 17,370 and substitution of 17,470.
  - (b) Under 1985 Budget Local and against Total, deletion of 17,055 and substitution of 17,155.
- Page 44 Deletion of all information against subhead 260024.

Objection to format of Estimates of Expenditure

With the leave of the Chairman, the Minority Chief Whip made a statement on the Estimates. He said that in spite of representation which were made on the last two occasions following the submission of the Estimates without the usual details, the Current Estimates for 1985 were again prepared and submitted in the same new form. His Party had therefore since made certain proposals on the matter to the Government. He further stated that on account of the lack of such details, the Members of his Party could not participate in the consideration of the 1985 Estimates of Expenditure in the Committee of Supply.

APPROVAL OF ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE

The Estimates of Expenditure were considered and passed as printed/ corrected as follows:

<u>HEAD/DIVISION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u> <u>(G\$'000)</u>
HEAD 1 - OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT	10,115
HEAD 2 - GUYANA DEFENCE FORCE	102,637
HEAD 60 - GUYANA NATIONAL SERVICE	28,000
DIVISION 501 - OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT	25,660
HEAD 3 - OFFICE OF THE PRIME MINISTER	2,350
DIVISION 502 - OFFICE OF THE PRIME MINISTER	800
HEAD 5 - PUBLIC SERVICE MINISTRY	1,506
DIVISION 503 - PUBLIC SERVICE MINISTRY	100
HEAD 11 - PUBLIC AND POLICE SERVICE COMMISSIONS	769
HEAD 26 - MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE	2,581
HEAD 27 - CROPS AND LIVESTOCK DIVISION	9,563
HEAD 28 - LANDS AND SURVEYS DIVISION	2,393
HEAD 29 - HYDRAULICS DIVISION	881
HEAD 30 - FISHERIES DIVISION	310
DIVISION 508 - MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE	66,095
DIVISION 509 - MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE - MMA CONTRACTS I & II	35,582
DIVISION 510 - MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE - MMA CONTRACT III	64,418

<u>HEAD DIVISION</u>		<u>AMOUNT</u> <u>(G\$'000)</u>
HEAD 39	- MINISTRY OF WORKS	12,436
DIVISION 518	- MINISTRY OF WORKS	12,040
HEAD 40	- PLANT MAINTENANCE & HIRE DIVISION	5,698
DIVISION 519	- PLANT MAINTENANCE & HIRE DIVISION	1,065
HEAD 10	- OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN	86
HEAD 13	- PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS	633
HEAD 14	- SUPREME COURT OF JUDICATURE	2,596
HEAD 15	- MAGISTRATES	2,358
HEAD 16	- ATTORNEY GENERAL	2,154
HEAD 17	- OFFICIAL RECEIVER	337
HEAD 18	- DEEDS REGISTRY	658
HEAD 41	- MINISTRY OF NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT	8,986
HEAD 59	- STATISTICAL BUREAU	4,437
HEAD 19	- MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS	22,054
DIVISION 506	- MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS	200
HEAD 8	- PARLIAMENT OFFICE	319
HEAD 20	- MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS	851
HEAD 21	- POLICE	45,499
HEAD 22	- PRISONS	4,961
HEAD 23	- FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES	4,277
HEAD 24	- NATIONAL REGISTRATION CENTRE	10,061
HEAD 25	- GENERAL REGISTRAR OFFICE	364
DIVISION 507	- MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS	14,428
HEAD 64	- MINISTRY OF REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT	4,340
DIVISION 529	- MINISTRY OF REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT	12,150
HEAD 65	- REGION 1 - BARIMA/WAINI	2,916
DIVISION 530	- REGION 1 - BARIMA/WAINI	470
HEAD 66	- REGION 2 - POMEROON/SUPENAAM	8,754
DIVISION 531	- REGION 2 - POMEROON/SUPENAAM	6,600
HEAD 67	- REGION 3 - ESSEQUIBO ISLANDS/WEST DEMERARA	7,496
DIVISION 532	- REGION 3 - ESSEQUIBO ISLANDS/WEST DEMERARA	2,500
HEAD 68	- REGION 4 - DEMERARA/MAHAICA	15,767
DIVISION 533	- REGION 4 - DEMERARA/MAHAICA	6,270

<u>HEAD/DIVISION</u>		AMOUNT (C\$'000)
HEAD 69	- REGION 5 - MAHAICA/BERBICE.	4,144
DIVISION 534	- REGION 5 - MAHAICA/BERBICE.	4,375
HEAD 70	- REGION 6 - EAST BERBICE/CORENTYNE	10,596
DIVISION 535	- REGION 6 - EAST BERBICE/CORENTYNE	3,225
HEAD 71	- REGION 7 - CUYUNI/MAZARUNI	2,370
DIVISION 536	- REGION 7 - CUYUNI/MAZARUNI	50
HEAD 72	- REGION 8 - POTARO/SIPARUNI	1,767
DIVISION 537	- REGION 8 - POTARO/SIPARUNI	100
HEAD 73	- REGION 9 - UPPER TAKUTU/UPPER ESSEQUIBO	3,066
DIVISION 538	- REGION 9 - UPPER TAKUTU/UPPER ESSEQUIBO	200
HEAD 74	- REGION 10 - UPPER DEMERARA/BERBICE	4,869
DIVISION 539	- REGION 10 - UPPER DEMERARA/BERBICE	1,230
HEAD 32	- MINISTRY OF ENERGY AND MINES	1,589
DIVISION 515	- MINISTRY OF ENERGY AND MINES	34,934
HEAD 9	- OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL	2,568
HEAD 55	- MINISTRY OF FINANCE	14,252
HEAD 56	- ACCOUNTANT GENERAL	19,627
HEAD 57	- CUSTOMS AND EXCISE	5,607
HEAD 58	INLAND REVENUE	12,596
DIVISION 526	- MINISTRY OF FINANCE	180,015
HEAD 61	- MINISTRY OF TRADE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION	2,604
DIVISION 527	- MINISTRY OF TRADE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION	28
HEAD 75	- PUBLIC DEBT	61
HEAD 31	- MINISTRY OF FORESTRY	190
DIVISION 511	- MINISTRY OF FORESTRY	60
HEAD 33	- MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND PUBLIC WELFARE	5,173
HEAD 34	- NATIONAL AND REGIONAL HOSPITALS	38,765
HEAD 35	- OTHER HEALTH PROGRAMMES	20,613
HEAD 37	- HOUSING	3,046
HEAD 38	- CIVIL DEFENCE COMMISSION	149
DIVISION 516	- MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND PUBLIC WELFARE	11,088
HEAD 12	- TEACHING SERVICE COMMISSION	362
HEAD 43	- MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND CULTURE.	40,373

<u>HEAD/DIVISION</u>		<u>AMOUNT</u> <u>(G\$'000)</u>
HEAD 44	CULTURE	1,876
HEAD 45	NURSERY SCHOOLS	10,290
HEAD 46	PRIMARY SCHOOLS	41,915
HEAD 47	SECONDARY/MULTILATERAL AND COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOLS	25,438
HEAD 48	TECHNICAL AND VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS	2,662
HEAD 49	PRACTICAL INSTRUCTION CENTRES	1,179
HEAD 50	TEACHER TRAINING INSTITUTIONS	2,028
HEAD 51	PROBATION AND WELFARE SERVICES	637
DIVISION 522	MINISTRY OF EDUCATION	17,470
DIVISION 523	SECOND EDUCATION PROJECT	2,000
DIVISION 513	UNIVERSITY OF GUYANA - GLOBAL MANPOWER	11,500
HEAD 6	MINISTRY OF INFORMATION	4,265
DIVISION 504	MINISTRY OF INFORMATION	329
HEAD 52	MINISTRY OF MANPOWER	12,819
HEAD 63	MINISTRY OF CO-OPERATIVES	566
HEAD 41	MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT	2,041
HEAD 42	CIVIL AVIATION	4,643
DIVISION 520	MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT	8,250

Assembly Resumed

The Minister of Finance reported to the Assembly that the Committee of Supply had approved of the Estimates of Expenditure for 1985.

The motion for the approval of the Estimates of Expenditure for the financial year 1985 was put and carried.

SUSPENSION OF SITTING

At 17:00 hrs the sitting was suspended for refreshments.

RESUMPTION OF SITTING

At 17:50 hrs the sitting was resumed.

Suspension of Standing Order No. 12

With the leave of the Speaker and on a motion by the Minister of Home Affairs, Standing Order No.12 was suspended to enable the Appropriation Bill 1985 - Bill No. 7/1985 to be introduced at that stage.



## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

### Presentation and First Reading

#### APPROPRIATION BILL 1985 - Bill No. 7/1985 - published 1985-01-30

The Minister of Finance presented the following Bill which was read the first time:

A Bill intituled An Act to provide for the issue from the Consolidated Fund of the sum necessary to meet the expenditure (not otherwise lawfully charged on the Consolidated Fund) of Guyana for the financial year ending 31st December, 1985, estimates whereof have been approved by the National Assembly, and for the appropriation of that sum for specified purposes, in conformity with the Constitution.

## PUBLIC BUSINESS

### BILL            Second and Third Readings

#### ITEM 2 -        APPROPRIATION BILL 1985 - Bill No. 7/1985 - published 1985-01-30

On motions by the Minister of Finance, the following Bill was read a second and a third time and passed as printed:

A Bill intituled An Act to provide for the issue from the Consolidated Fund of the sum necessary to meet the expenditure (not otherwise lawfully charged on the Consolidated Fund) of Guyana for the financial year ending 31st December, 1985, estimates whereof have been approved by the National Assembly, and for the appropriation of that sum for specified purposes, in conformity with the Constitution.

#### ITEM 3 -        CONFIRMATION OF THE CONSUMPTION TAX (AMENDMENT) ORDER 1984 (No. 68)

The Minister of Finance moved the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly, in accordance with section 5 of the Consumption Tax Act, Chapter 80:02, confirm the Consumption Tax (Amendment) Order 1984 (No. 68) which was made on 11th December, 1984, and published in the Gazette on 29th December, 1984.

The Minister of Finance also moved the following amendment:-

Insertion of the following after "1984" at the end of the motion:

", subject to the following amendments:-

- (1) Substitution of "\$8.00 per p. gal." for \$8.00 per L. gal." as the Rate of Tax in respect of the Tariff Heading Number 22.09.99.
- (2) Substitution of "\$1.05 per L. gal." for "60¢ per L. gal." as the Rate of Tax in respect of the Tariff Heading Number 22.10."

- (3) Substitution of "40.00¢ per litre for "10.21¢ per litre" as the Rate of Tax in respect of the Tariff Heading Number 27.10.44.
- (4) Substitution of "1.70¢ per litre" for "1.4¢ per litre" as the Rate of Tax in respect of the Tariff Heading Number 27.10.46.
- (5) Substitution of "75.00¢ per litre" for "20.58¢ per litre as the Rate of Tax in respect of the Tariff Heading Numbers 27.10.52 and 27.10.59.
- (6) Substitution of "32¢ per 100 litre" for "5.5¢ per 100 litre" as the Rate of Tax in respect of the Tariff Heading Numbers 27.10.62 and 27.10.69."

Cde. Reepu Daman Persaud and the Minority Leader spoke to the motion.

Thereafter the Minister of Finance replied.

The motion was then put and carried as amended.

ITEM 4 - CONFIRMATION OF THE CUSTOMS DUTIES (AMENDMENT) ORDER 1984 (No. 66)

The Minister of Finance moved the following motion which was put and carried:-

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly, in accordance with section 9 of the Customs Act, Chapter, 82:01 confirm the Customs Duties (Amendment) Order 1984 (No. 66), which was made on 19th December, 1984, published in the Gazette on 29th December, 1984.

ITEM 5 - CONFIRMATION OF THE CUSTOMS DUTIES (AMENDMENT) ORDER 1985 (No. 1)

The Minister of Finance moved the following motion which was put and carried:-

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly, in accordance with section 9 of the Customs Act, Chapter 82:01, confirm the Customs Duties (Amendment) Order 1985 (No. 1), which was made on 9th January, 1985, and published in the Gazette on 12th January, 1985.

BILLS - Second and Third Readings

ITEM 6 - MISCELLANEOUS ENACTMENTS (AMENDMENT) BILL 1985 - Bill No. 4/1985 published 1985-01-18

The Minister of Finance in accordance with article 171 (2) of the Constitution, signified Cabinet's recommendation and moved the second reading of the following Bill:

A Bill intituled An Act to amend certain enactments.

Cde. Reepu Daman Persaud spoke to the motion.

Thereafter the Minister replied.

The motion was put and carried.

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The Bill was read a second time and was, thereafter, taken through its remaining stages and passed with the following corrections to the Schedule:

- (i) Substitution of "50.00" for "25.00" in the amendment in paragraph (27)(a) of section 13 of the Tax Act, Cap. 80:01;
- (ii) Substitution of "Section 38" for "Section 39" in the first column in respect of the Tax Act, Cap. 80:01;
- (iii) Transposition of ' in paragraph 4 for "200" substitute "400".' from the amendment to Section 3 of the Husksters Licensing and Control Act, Cap. 91:06, to the amendment to the Schedule to the weights and Measures Act, Cap. 90:14.

ITEM 7 - MOTOR VEHICLES AND ROAD TRAFFIC (AMENDMENT) BILL 1985 - Bill No. 5/1985 published 1985-01-18

The Minister of Home Affairs in accordance with article 171 (2) of the Constitution, signified Cabinet's recommendation and moved the second reading of the following Bill:

A Bill intituled An Act to amend the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Act.

Cde. Reepu Daman Persaud and Mr. M.F. Singh spoke to the motion.

Thereafter the Minister of Home Affairs replied.

The Bill was read a second time and was, thereafter, taken through its remaining stages and passed as printed.

ITEM 8 - CONSUMPTION TAX (AMENDMENT) BILL 1985 - Bill No. 2/1985 published on 1985-01-05

The Minister of Finance in accordance with article 171 (2) of the Constitution, signified Cabinet's recommendation and moved the second reading of the following Bill:

A Bill intituled An Act to amend the Consumption Tax Act.

The motion was put and carriod

The Bill was road a second time and was, thereafter, taken through its remaining stages and passed as printed.

ITEM 9 - INSURANCE ENACTMENTS (AMENDMENT) BILL 1985 - Bill No. 1/1985 published on 1985-01-05

The Minister of Finance moved the second reading of the following Bill:

A Bill intituled An Act to amend the Motor Vehicles Insurance (Third Party Risks) Act and the Insurance Act to bring the former Act under the administration of the latter.

Mr. M.F. Singh spoke to the motion.

Thereafter the Minister of Finance replied.

The motion was put and carried.

The Bill was read a second time.

Assembly resolved itself into Committee to consider the Bill clause by clause.

In Committee

Clauses 1 to 3 were passed as printed.

Clause 4: The following amendments by the Minister of Finance were put and carried:

Substitution of the word "twenty-five" for the word "fifty" in paragraph (1) (iii)

Substitution of the words "one hundred and twenty-five" for the words "five hundred" in paragraph (1) (iv)

Substitution of the word "twenty" for the word "twenty-five" in paragraph (2) (18) (A)

Deletion of the words "and twenty-five" in paragraph (2) (18) (b)

Clause 4 was then passed as amended.

Clauses 5 to 20 were passed as printed.

Assembly resumed.

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

ITEM 10 - MAHAICA-MAHAICONY-ABARY AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AMENDMENT BILL 1985 - Bill No. 3 1985 published on 1985-01-05

The Prime Minister moved the second reading of the following Bill:

A Bill intituled An Act to amend the Mahaica-Mahaicony-Abary Agricultural Development Authority Act 1977.

Cde. Reepu Daman Persaud spoke to the motion.

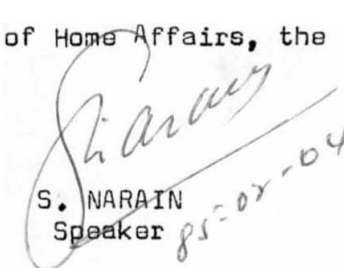
Thereafter the Prime Minister replied.

The motion was put and carried.

The Bill was read a second time and was, thereafter, taken through its remaining stages and passed as printed.

ADJOURNMENT

At 19:40 hrs, on a motion by the Minister of Home Affairs, the Assembly was adjourned to a date to be fixed.

  
S. NARAIN  
Speaker 85-02-04

PARLIAMENT OFFICE,  
Public Buildings,  
Georgetown,  
1985-02-04.