



HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY BERMUDA



Sitting No. 48 – Friday, 22nd May 2020 Order of Business (Standing Order 14)

(a) 10:00 a.m. House convenes

(b) Prayers

(c) Confirmation of Minutes

- Minutes of April 6th, 2020 to be confirmed.
- Minutes of April 17th, 2020 to be confirmed
- Minutes of May 8th, 2020 to be confirmed

(d) Messages from the Governor

(e) Announcements by the Speaker or Member presiding

(f) Messages from the Senate

(g) Papers and other communications to the House

“Emergency Powers (Covid-19 Continuing Precautions) Amendment (No.2) Regulations 2020” lay for the information of the House of Assembly - Hon. E.D.G Burt

“The Information Commissioner’s Office Annual Report 2019” lay for the information of the House of Assembly – Hon. E.D.G. Burt

“Debt Collection (General) Regulations 2020” lay for the information of the House of Assembly - Hon. W.H. Roban

“Debt Collection (Transitional Period Extension) Order 2020” lay for the information of the House of Assembly – Hon. W.H. Roban

“Development and Planning (Delegation) Notice 2020” lay for the information of the House of Assembly – Hon. W.H. Roban

“Electronic Communications (Regulatory Authority Fees) Regulations 2020” lay for the information of the House of Assembly - Hon. W.H. Roban

“Fisheries (Lobster) Regulations 2020” lay for the information of the House of Assembly - Hon. W.H. Roban

“Fisheries (Lobster) Amendment Regulations 2020” lay for the information of the House of Assembly - Hon. W.H. Roban

(h) Petitions

(i) Statements by Ministers and Junior Ministers

“Assistance to Bermuda during Covid-19 Pandemic Response” – Hon. E.D.G Burt – Premier

“Promoting Local Food Security” – Hon. W.H. Roban

“COVID-19 Economic Advisory Committee” – Hon. C.L. Dickinson

“Updates on other COVID-19 Emergency Measures” – Hon. C.L. Dickinson

“Superyacht Pandemic Policy” – Hon. Z.J. Desilva

“The Department of Youth, Sport and Recreation updates” – Hon. L.F. Foggo

“Bermuda Public School Reopening Plan” – Hon. D.V. Rabain

(j) Reports of Committees

Standing Orders and Privileges Committee – Hon. D.V. Burgess

(k) Question Period

The Hon. E.D.G. Burt to provide written responses to parliamentary questions from The Hon. L.C. Cannonier. (Deferred from July 26th, 2019)

- 1) Notwithstanding, the responses provided to questions by the Honourable Premier on July 12, 2019; will the Honourable Premier please advise this Honourable House if any Members of Parliament have been paid from the public purse for any services, other than Government Committees, Government Boards or Quangos?
- 2) Will the Honourable Premier please identify for this Honourable House the Members of Parliament and the amounts paid or the outstanding amounts due to them?

The Hon. D.A. Burch to provide oral responses to parliamentary questions from The Hon. L.C. Cannonier.

- *1. Will the Honourable Minister please inform this Honourable House whether the Valerie Scott Building demolition was put out to tender?
- *2 Will the Honourable Minister please inform this Honourable House how many companies submitted bids for the Valerie Scott Building demolition and advise what company won the bid?
- *3 Will the Honourable Minister please inform this Honourable House of the company names and the dollar amounts submitted from each of the bids?

The Hon. K.N. Wilson to provide written responses to parliamentary questions from The Hon. P.J. Pamplin.

- 1) Will the Honourable Minister please inform this Honourable House of the current protocols in place to ensure clean air working conditions for the staff in the labs at King Edward Memorial Hospital (KEMH)
- 2) Will the Honourable Minister please inform this Honourable House how frequently air quality inspections are carried out in the labs at KEMH?
- 3) Will the Honourable Minister please inform this Honourable House if vents and hoods have been installed at the histology lab at the KEMH to enable a clean air working environment?

The Hon. K.N. Wilson to provide oral responses to parliamentary questions from The Hon. M.H. Dunkley.

- *1 Will the Honourable Minister please provide this Honourable House the name of the manufacturer and source country for the antibody test being used by the Molecular Diagnostic Laboratory (MDL) at Southside?
- *2 Will the Honourable Minister please inform this Honourable House which reputable international regulatory body gave the approval for the antibody test being used by the MDL at Southside?

*3 The Minister of Finance informed this Honourable House on 8th May that \$2.8 million of increased emergency funding has been provided to the Ministry of Health for COVID-19 spending. Will the Honourable Minister please inform this Honourable House if any emergency and increased funding to the Bermuda Hospitals Board (BHB) is included in this amount?

(l) Congratulatory and /or Obituary Speeches

(m) Matters of Privilege.

(n) Personal Explanation

(o) Notice of motions for the Adjournment of the House on matters of urgent public importance

(p) Introduction of Bills:

(q) Government Bills:

“Summary Offences Amendment Act 2020” – Hon. E.D.G. Burt

“Emergency Powers Amendment Act 2020” – Hon. E.D.G. Burt

“Cost of Living Commission Amendment Act 2020” – Hon. E.D.G. Burt

“Merchant Shipping Amendment Act 2020” – Hon. Z.J. Desilva

(r) Opposition Bills:

(s) Private Members’ Bills:

(t) Notice of Motions:

Hon. E.D.G. Burt to give notice of the following Motion:

“That this Honourable House take note of the Emergency Powers (COVID-19 Continuing Precautions) Amendment (No.2) Regulations 2020;

AND resolves that the duration of the Emergency Powers (Covid-19 Continuing Precautions) Regulations 2020 be extended to 30th June 2020.”

Hon. E.D.G. Burt to give notice of the following Resolution:

**MINISTERS AND MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE
(SALARIES AND PENSIONS) ACT 1975**

I HEREBY do give notice that I propose to move the following Resolution:

"BE IT RESOLVED that previous resolutions of this House made pursuant to section 2 and 15A of the Ministers and Members of the Legislature (Salaries and Pensions) Act 1975 be revoked;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that pursuant to section 2 of the Ministers and Members of the Legislature (Salaries and Pensions) Act 1975 the annual salaries payable to Members of the Legislature listed in Part A and Officers of the Legislature listed in Part B of the table below shall be as set out in column 3 of the table with effect from 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021, and with effect from 1 July 2021 to 31 March, 2022 shall be as set out in column 2.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that pursuant to section 15A of the Ministers and Members of the Legislature (Salaries and Pensions) Act 1975 the contributions toward the cost of pensions payable under the Act by Members and Officers of the Legislature shall be reduced from 12.5% of their salaries to 0%, with effect from 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021, and with effect from 1 July 2021 shall be increased from 0% of their salaries to 12.5%."

TABLE OF SALARIES

A. MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE

(1)	EXISTING (2)	PROPOSED (3)
Senators	\$ 30,367	\$ 26,571
Members of the House of Assembly	\$ 56,023	\$ 49,020

B. OFFICERS OF THE LEGISLATURE

(Salaries additional to salaries as Senators or Members of the House of Assembly)

President of the Senate	\$ 15,181	\$ 13,283
Speaker, House of Assembly	\$ 26,569	\$ 23,248
Vice President, Senate	\$ 3,308	\$ 2,895
Deputy Speaker, House of Assembly	\$ 13,285	\$ 11,624
Premier	\$151,262	\$128,573
Deputy Premier *	\$112,942	\$96,001
Minister of Finance	\$121,010	\$102,858
(As a part-time Minister)	\$ 60,505	\$ 51,429
Attorney General	\$147,022	\$124,969
Other Ministers in House of Assembly	\$100,841	\$85,715
(As a part-time Minister)	\$ 50,421	\$ 42,858
Other Ministers in the Senate	\$ 100,841	\$85,715
(As a part-time Minister)	\$ 50,421	\$ 42,858
Opposition Leader	\$ 30,367	\$ 26,571
Junior Ministers in House of Assembly	\$ 11,387	\$ 9,964
Junior Ministers in Senate	\$ 11,425	\$ 9,997
Party Whips	\$ 7,593	\$ 6,644



Hon. E. David Burt, JP, MP

Premier

(u) Orders of the Day:

- 1. Second Reading: Development and Planning (Draft Bermuda Plan 2018 Extension) Act 2020
[Minister of Home Affairs]
First Reading: May 8, 2020**
- 2. Motion to be moved by Mr. E.D.G Burt: (Suspension of S.O. 23 (3))**

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AND resolves that the duration of the Emergency Powers (Covid-19 Continuing Precautions) Regulations 2020 be extended to 30th June 2020.”

**Shernette Wolffe
Clerk to the House of Assembly**

**Sessions House
21 Parliament Street
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BERMUDA
May 22, 2020**

Opposition

Sgt. Major Arnold E. Allen, EM
Sergeant-Arms

Government

Ms. T. S. Furbert, MP Constituency 4 , St. Georges South	Mr. D. J. R. Lister III, MP Constituency 28 , Warwick West	Mr. T. C. Famous, MP Constituency 11 , Devonshire East	Ms. R. D. L. Ming, JP, MP Constituency 1 , St. Georges North	Mr. N. S. Tyrrell, JP, MP Constituency 26 , Warwick South Central	Mr. R. P. Commissiong, JP, MP Constituency 21 , Pembroke South East	Mr. S. A. Simmons, JP, MP Constituency 32 , Southampton West	Mr. J. P. Hayward, JP, MP Constituency 17 , Pembroke Central
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Mr. S. D. Richards, MP Shadow Minister Home Affairs and Environment Constituency 7 , Hamilton South	Mr. B. A. Smith, MP Shadow Minister of Social Development and Sports, National Security Constituency 31 , Southampton West Central	Hon. J. J. Atherden JP, MP Constituency 19 , Pembroke West	Mr. N. H. C. Simons JP, MP Shadow Minister, Education and Economic Development Constituency 8 , Smith's South	Hon. L. F. Foggo, JP, MP Minister of Labour, Community Affairs and Sports Constituency 3 , St. David's	Hon. Lt. Col. D. A. Burch, JP, MP Minister of Public Works Constituency 27 Warwick North Central	Hon. Z. J. S. Desilva, JP, MP Minister of Tourism and Transport Constituency 29 , Southampton East	Hon. J. S. Simmons, JP, MP Minister Without Portfolio Constituency 33 ,
Ms. S. E. Jackson, MP Opposition Whip, Shadow Minister of Government Reform Constituency 20 , Pembroke South West	Mr. R. S. Pearman, MP Shadow Minister of Legal Affairs Constituency 22 , Paget East	Mr. P. J. Gordon-Pamplin JP, MP Shadow Minister for Health and Finance Constituency 23 , Paget West	Hon. P. J. Gordon-Pamplin JP, MP Shadow Minister for Health and Finance Constituency 23 , Paget West	Hon. W. M. Caines JP, MP Minister of National Security Constituency 14 , Devonshire North West	Hon. K. N. Wilson, JP, MP Minister of Health Constituency 34 , Sandy's South Central	Hon. W. L. Furbert JP, MP Minister for the Cabinet Office Constituency 6 , Hamilton West	Hon. D. V. S. Rabain, JP, MP Minister of Education Constituency 13 , Devonshire North Central
Ms. L. K. Scott, MP Deputy Opposition Leader, Shadow Minister of Tourism and Transport and Regulatory Affairs Constituency 30 , Southampton West	Hon. L. C. Cannonier, JP, MP Opposition Leader, Shadow Minister of Public Works Constituency 12 , Devonshire South Central	Hon. E. D. G. Burt, JP, MP The Premier Constituency 18 , Pembroke West Central	Hon. L. C. Cannonier, JP, MP Opposition Leader, Shadow Minister of Public Works Constituency 12 , Devonshire South Central	Hon. E. D. G. Burt, JP, MP The Premier Constituency 18 , Pembroke West Central	Hon. W. H. Roban, JP, MP Deputy Premier, Minister of Home Affairs Constituency 15 , Pembroke East	Hon. C. L. Dickinson, JP, MP Minister of Finance Constituency 25 , Warwick North East	



Clerk-at-the-Table Mrs. S. M. A. Wolffe	Chairman of Committee
SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE Hon. D. P. Lister JP, MP Constituency 35 , Sandy's North Central	