HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY
BERMUDA



Sitting No.46- Friday, 20th November, 2026
Order of Business
(Standing Order 14)

(a) 10:00 a.m. HOUSE CONVENES

(b) PRAYERS

(c) CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES- Minutes of the 6th November 2026 to be confirmed.

(d) MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

(e) ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER OR MEMBER PRESIDING

Members: The Hon. Michael A. Weeks, Mr. Paul G. E. Wilmot and Mr. L. M. Robert King will be absent from today's proceedings.

(f) MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

(g) PAPERS AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS TO THE HOUSE

"Office of Project Management and Procurement Annual Report for the year ending December 31, 2025" lay for the information of the House of Assembly- The Hon. Emily G. A. Dill, Minister for the Cabinet Office

"Building Safer Communities Together: A National Domestic Abuse Prevention and Response Strategy 2026–2031" lay for the information of the House of Assembly - The Hon. Tinée S. Furbert, Minister Youth, Social Development and Seniors

"Bermuda Civil Aviation Authority 2025/2026 Annual Report" lay for the information of the House of Assembly- The Hon. Owen K. Darrell, Minister of Tourism and Transport, Culture and Sport

(h) PETITIONS

(i) STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS AND JUNIOR MINISTERS

"Land Tax Relief and the 2026 Revaluation"- The Hon. E. David G. Burt, Premier and Minister of Finance

"45th Annual Sports Awards"- The Hon. Owen K. Darrell, Minister of Tourism and Transport, Culture and Sport

"Public Consultation on Derelict and Abandoned Buildings"- The Hon. Zane J. S. DeSilva, Deputy Premier and Minister of Housing and Municipalities

"Participation in the Governance Innovation Forum: People-Powered and Inclusive Public Administration for a Resilient and Future-Ready Caribbean"- The Hon. Emily G. A. Dill, Minister for the Cabinet Office

"International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women and Building Safer Communities Together: A National Domestic Abuse Prevention and Response Strategy 2026–2031"- The Hon. Tinée S. Furbert, Minister of Youth, Social Development and Seniors

"Taking the Next Steps Towards Reducing Plastic Waste"- The Hon. Jache A. K. Adams, Minister of Public Works and Environment

"Celebrating Global Entrepreneurship Week 2026: Empowering Bermudian Entrepreneurs and Expanding Economic Opportunity"- The Hon. Jason P. Hayward, Minister of Economy and Labour

"Expanding and Securing Bermuda's Digital Public Services"- The Hon. Alexa N. H. Lightbourne, Minister of Home Affairs

(j) REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

(k) QUESTION PERIOD

The Hon. Diallo V. S. Rabain, Minister of Education, to provide Written Response to Parliamentary Questions from the Hon. Ben A. Smith: (Deferred from November 6th, 2026)

1. Will the Honourable Minister please inform this Honourable House of the system-wide results of the Gates-MacGinitie Reading Test for the academic years 2018, 2019, 2024, 2025 and 2026, where testing was conducted, showing for each year and year level the percentage of students assessed who were below grade level, at grade level and above grade level?

2. Will the Honourable Minister please inform this Honourable House for each academic year from 2020/21 to 2025/26, of the number of government primary schools that did not achieve their School Improvement Plan objective for reading, and the number of those schools for which additional literacy intervention was implemented by the Department of Education?

3. Will the Honourable Minister please inform this Honourable House as at 30th September 2026, of the number of students enrolled in Bermuda public schools who are currently awaiting assessment or commencement of service for speech and language therapy, occupational therapy and physical therapy, respectively, broken down by waiting periods of less than three months, three to six months, six to twelve months and more than twelve months?

The Hon. E. David. G. Burt, Premier and Minister of Finance, to provide Written and Oral Response to Parliamentary Questions from Dr. Douglas S. J. De Couto:

1. Will the Honourable Premier and Minister of Finance please inform this Honourable House of the number of returns filed with the Corporate Income Tax Agency for the 2025 Fiscal Year broken out by type of return (e.g. Tax Credit Benefit Return, Corporate Income Tax Return) and the industry of the filing entity?

*2. Will the Honourable Premier and Minister of Finance please inform this Honourable House of the amount and type of any digital assets held in any Government funds including the Consolidated Fund or any other Public Funds such as the specified funds under the Public Funds Act, broken out by Fund?

(l) CONGRATULATORY AND/OR OBITUARY SPEECHES

(m) MATTERS OF PRIVILEGE

(n) PERSONAL EXPLANATIONS

(o) NOTICE OF MOTION FOR THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE HOUSE ON MATTERS OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

(p) INTRODUCTION OF BILLS:

(I) GOVERNMENT BILLS

"Customs Tariff Amendment (No. 2) Act 2026" - The Hon. E. David G. Burt, Premier and Minister of Finance

"Registrar of Companies (Compliance Measures) Amendment Act 2026"- The Hon. E. David G. Burt, Premier and Minister of Finance

"Digital Finance (Public Funds and Payments) Miscellaneous Amendment Act 2026"- The Hon. E. David G. Burt, Premier and Minister of Finance

"Bermuda Monetary Authority Amendment Act 2026"- The Hon. E. David G. Burt, Premier and Minister of Finance

"Payroll Tax Amendment (No. 2) Act 2026"- The Hon. E. David G. Burt, Premier and Minister of Finance

"Public Treasury (Administration and Payments) (Fiscal Rules) Amendment Act 2026"- The Hon. E. David G. Burt, Premier and Minister of Finance

"Bermuda Health Council Amendment Act 2026"- The Hon. Kim N. Wilson, Minister of Health

"Regulatory Authority Amendment Act 2026"- The Hon. Alexa N. H. Lightbourne, Minister of Home Affairs

(II) OPPOSITION BILLS

(III) PRIVATE MEMBERS' BILLS

(q) NOTICES OF MOTION:

Motion to be moved by the Hon. Ben A. Smith:

"BE IT RESOLVED that this Honourable House approves the establishment of a Parliamentary Joint Select Committee to review the matters arising from the Report of the Commission of Inquiry into Historic Land Losses in Bermuda, including the appropriate framework for addressing unresolved claims and possible remedies, and to report its findings and recommendations to this House."

(r) ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1) Resumption in Committee of the Whole for further consideration of the Public Bill entitled "Education Authority Act 2026"
[Minister of Education]
First Reading: 2nd October 2026

2) Second Reading of the "Public Service Superannuation (No. 2) Amendment Act 2026"
[Premier and Minister of Finance]
First Reading: 6th November 2026

3) Consideration of the "Draft Lease Agreement relating to Ships Wharf, St. David's Road, St. George's DD03 between Bermuda Land Management Corporation and Southside Holding Ltd."
[Deputy Premier and Minister of Housing and Municipalities]
Tabled: 6th November 2026

4) Consideration of the "Supplementary Estimate No. 2 for Financial Year 2026/2027"
[Premier and Minister of Finance]
Tabled: 6th November 2026

5) Motion to be moved by Dr. Douglas S. J. De Couto notice of which was given on 2nd October, 2026:

"That this Honourable House requests the Premier table all outstanding Annual Reports as required by section 9 of the "Premier, Ministers and Opposition Leader Personal Staffs Act 2019"."

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