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# SESSIONAL REVIEW

2015 - 2016

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## INTRODUCTION

The First Session of the 11<sup>th</sup> Parliament began on September 23<sup>rd</sup> 2015 by Proclamation of His Excellency (Legal Notice 181 of 2015) and prorogued on Monday September 19, 2016 by Proclamation of His Excellency (Legal Notice No. 133 of 2016).

This Report outlines the Business conducted by the Parliament of Trinidad and Tobago during this First Session of the Eleventh Republican Parliament.

## BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (HOR)

### SITTINGS

A total of two hundred and thirty-one (231) hours and fifteen (15) minutes were spent in the debating Chamber of the House of Representatives (HOR) for the 2015-2016 Session. The table below provides details of the sittings of the HOR.

Month and Year	No. of Sittings	No. of Hours
September 2015	1	2 hours 55 minutes
October 2015	6	71 hours 28 minutes
November 2015	2	4 hours 23 minutes
December 2015	2	14 hours 05 minutes
January 2016	3	27 hours 44 minutes
February 2016	2	6 hours 28 minutes
March 2016	3	15 hours 42 minutes
April 2016	5	43 hours 04 minutes
May 2016	2	14 hours 04 minutes
June 2016	3	10 hours 37 minutes
July 2016	2	15 hours 32 minutes
September 2016	2	5 hours 13 minutes
<b>Total</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>231 hours 15 minutes</b>

## DETAILS OF SITTINGS

SITTING	PRESIDING OFFICER AT START OF SITTING	SITTING DATE	SITTING COMMENCED	SITTING ADJOURNED	DURATION OF SITTING
1 <sup>st</sup>	Speaker	Wednesday 23.09.2015	1.30 p.m.	4.25 p.m.	2 hours 55 minutes
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Speaker	Monday 05.10.2015 (Budget Day)	1.30 p.m.	3.37 p.m.	2 hours 07 minutes
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Speaker	Friday 09.10.2015	10.00 a.m.	7.33 p.m.	9 hours 33 minutes
4 <sup>th</sup>	Speaker	Saturday 10.10.2015	10.00 a.m.	5.35 p.m.	7 hours 35 minutes
5 <sup>th</sup>	Speaker	Monday 12.10.2015	10.00 a.m.	5.45 p.m.	7 hours 45 minutes
6 <sup>th</sup>	Speaker	Tuesday 13.10.2015	10.00 a.m.	10.16 p.m.	12 hours 16 minutes
7 <sup>th</sup>	Speaker [As Chairman of the Standing Finance Committee (SFC)]	Wednesday 14.10.2015	1.30 p.m.	8.02 p.m.	6 hours 32 minutes
		Thursday 15.10.2015	SFC resumed at 1.30 p.m.	SFC Suspended at 10.15 p.m.	8 hours 45 minutes
		Friday 16.10.2015	SFC resumed at 1.30 p.m.	SFC Suspended at 7.09 p.m.	5 hours 39 minutes
		Saturday 17.10.2015	SFC resumed at 10.15 a.m.	SFC Suspended at 2.54 p.m.	4 hours 39 minutes
		Monday 19.10.2015	SFC resumed at 1.30 p.m.	8.07 p.m.	6 hours 37 minutes
8 <sup>th</sup>	Speaker	Friday 13.11.2015	1.30 p.m.	3.10 p.m.	1 hour 40 minutes
9 <sup>th</sup>	Speaker	Friday 27.11.2015	1.30 p.m.	4.13 p.m.	2 hours 43 minutes
10 <sup>th</sup>	Deputy Speaker	Friday 04.12.2015	1.30 p.m.	9.28 p.m.	7 hours 58 minutes
11 <sup>th</sup>	Deputy Speaker	Friday 11.12.2015	1.30 p.m.	7.37 p.m.	6 hours 07 minutes
12 <sup>th</sup>	Speaker	Monday 11.01.2016	1.30 p.m.	12.18 a.m. on 12.01.2016	10 hours 48 minutes

SITTING	PRESIDING OFFICER AT START OF SITTING	SITTING DATE	SITTING COMMENCED	SITTING ADJOURNED	DURATION OF SITTING
13 <sup>th</sup>	Deputy Speaker	Wednesday 20.01.2016	1.30 p.m.	12.42 a.m. on 21.01.2016	11 hours 12 minutes
14 <sup>th</sup>	Speaker	Friday 22.01.2016	1.30 p.m.	7.14 p.m.	5 hours 44 minutes
15 <sup>th</sup>	Speaker	Friday 19.02.2016	1.30 p.m.	3.53 p.m.	2 hours 23 minutes
16 <sup>th</sup>	Speaker	Friday 26.02.2016	1.30 p.m.	5.35 p.m.	4 hours 05 minutes
Extraordinary Sitting	Speaker	Tuesday 08.03.2016	1.30 p.m.	5.13 p.m.	3 hours 43 minutes
17 <sup>th</sup>	Speaker	Friday 11.03.2016	1.30 p.m.	7.57 p.m.	6 hours 27 minutes
18 <sup>th</sup>	Speaker	Friday 18.03.2016	1.30 p.m.	7.02 p.m.	5 hours 32 minutes
19 <sup>th</sup>	Speaker	Friday 01.04.2016	1.30 p.m.	4.32 a.m. on 02.04.2016	15 hours 02 minutes
20 <sup>th</sup>	Speaker	Friday 08.04.2016	1.30 p.m.	1.23 a.m. on 09.04.2016	11 hours 53 minutes
21 <sup>st</sup>	Speaker	Friday 15.04.2016	1.30 p.m.	8.17 p.m.	6 hours 47 minutes
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Speaker	Friday 22.04.2016	1.30 p.m.	5.40 p.m.	4 hours 10 minutes
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Speaker	Monday 25.04.2016	1.30 p.m.	6.42 p.m.	5 hours 12 minutes
24 <sup>th</sup>	Speaker	Friday 13.05.2016	1.30 p.m.	7.38 p.m.	6 hours 08 minutes
25 <sup>th</sup>	Speaker	Friday 20.05.2016	1.30 p.m.	9.26 p.m.	7 hours 56 minutes
26 <sup>th</sup>	Speaker	Friday 10.06.2016	1.30 p.m.	3.46 p.m.	2 hours 16 minutes
27 <sup>th</sup>	Deputy Speaker	Friday 17.06.2016	1.30 p.m.	4.29 p.m.	2 hours 59 minutes
28 <sup>th</sup>	Speaker	Friday 24.06.2016	1.30 p.m.	6.52 p.m.	5 hours 22 minutes
29 <sup>th</sup>	Speaker	Friday 01.07.2016	1.30 p.m.	9.35 p.m.	8 hours 05 minutes
30 <sup>th</sup>	Speaker	Monday 04.07.2016	1.30 p.m.	8.57 p.m.	7 hours 27 minutes
31 <sup>st</sup>	Speaker	Friday 09.09.2016	1.30 p.m.	4.20 p.m.	2 hours 50 minutes

SITTING	PRESIDING OFFICER AT START OF SITTING	SITTING DATE	SITTING COMMENCED	SITTING ADJOURNED	DURATION OF SITTING
32 <sup>nd</sup>	Speaker	Wednesday 14.09.2016	1.30 p.m.	3.53 p.m.	2 hours 23 minutes



## BILLS ORIGINATING IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## KEY

\* CWH-Committee of the Whole House

\* JSC-Joint Select Committee

\* SSC-Special Select Committee

\* SFC – Standing Finance Committee

BILL NO.	BILL TITLE	FIRST READING	SECOND READING	COMMITTED TO	REPORTED BY COMMITTEE	THIRD READING	DATE PASSED IN SENATE	SENATE AMENDMENTS CONSIDERED	ASSENT	PROCLAMATION	COMMENCEMENT
13/2015	<a href="#">The Appropriation (Financial Year - 2016) Bill, 2015</a>	05.10.2015	013.10.2015	SFC	-	19.10.2015	22.10.2015	-	26.10.2015	-	26.10.2015
14/2015	<a href="#">The Public Procurement and Disposal of Public Property (Amendment) Bill, 2015</a>	13.11.2015	20.05.2016	JSC	22.01.2016 (Interim)  26.02.2016 (Final)	20.05.2016	07.06.2016	-	17.06.2016	-	-
15/2015	<a href="#">The Whistleblower Protection Bill, 2015</a>	13.11.2015		JSC	22.01.2016 18.03.2016 13.05.2016 09.09.2016	-	-	-	-	-	-
1/2016	<a href="#">The Finance Bill, 2016</a>	11.01.2016	12.01.2016	CWH	12.01.2016	12.01.2016	16.01.2016	-	21.01.2016	-	21.01.2016

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2/2016	<a href="#">The Finance (Variation of Appropriation) (Financial Year 2015) Bill, 2016</a>	22.01.2016	22.01.2016	-	-	22.01.2016	25.01.2016	-	26.01.2016	-	26.01.2016
3/2016	<a href="#">The Family and Children Division Bill, 2016</a>	19.02.2016	11.03.2016	JSC	13.05.2016	10.06.2016	21.06.2016	24.06.2016	05.07.2016	-	-
4/2016	<a href="#">The Remedies of Creditors (Amendment) Bill, 2016</a>	11.03.2016	10.06.2016	CWH	-	10.06.2016	13.09.2016	14.09.2016	-	-	-
5/2016	<a href="#">The Strategic Services Agency (Amendment) Bill, 2016</a>	11.03.2016	15.04.2016	CWH	-	15.04.2016	10.05.2016	-	31.05.2016	-	-
6/2016	<a href="#">The Finance (Variation of Appropriation) (Financial Year 2016) Bill, 2016</a>	08.04.2016	09.04.2016	-	-	09.04.2016	13.04.2016	-	19.04.2016	-	19.04.2016
7/2016	<a href="#">The Miscellaneous Provisions (Anti-Gang and Bail) Bill, 2016</a>	17.06.2016	01.07.2016	CWH	-	Defeated	-	-	-	-	-
8/2016	<a href="#">The Finance (No.2) Bill, 2016</a>	01.07.2016	04.07.2016	CWH	-	04.07.2016	07.07.2016	-	20.07.2016	-	05.09.2016 (SECTION 4)  20.07.2016 (All other sections)

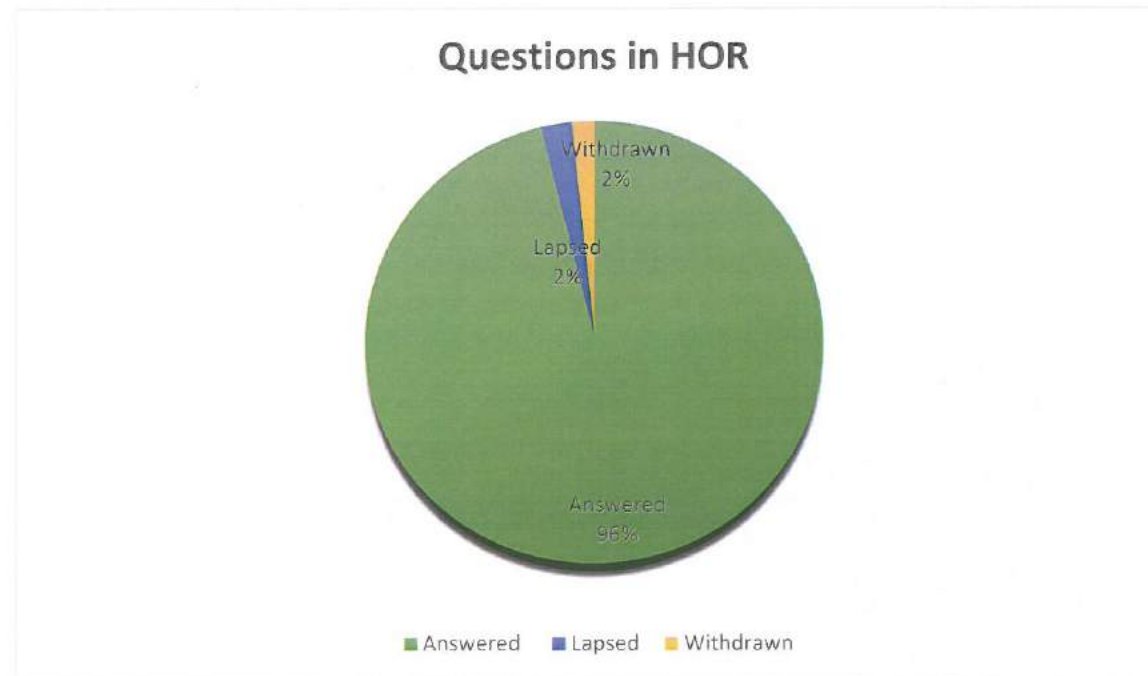
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9/2016	<a href="#">The Insurance Bill, 2016</a>	01.07.2016	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Preserved
10/2016	<a href="#">The Gambling (Gaming and Betting) Control Bill, 2016</a>	01.07.2016	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Preserved
11/2016	<a href="#">The Tax Information Exchange Agreements Bill, 2016</a>	09.09.2016	09.09.2016	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Preserved

## QUESTIONS

QUESTION NO.	FORM OF ANSWER	DATE ANSWERED	NO. OF QUESTIONS ANSWERED
2,3,4	Oral	November 27, 2015	3
5	Oral	December 04, 2015	1
7,8	Oral	December 11, 2015	3
1	Written		
9,11,12,20,22,23,24,27,28,29 30,31,32,33,34,35,37 10,36	Oral Written	January 11, 2016	19
13,14,15,26,38	Oral	January 20, 2016	5
16,17,21	Oral	January 22, 2016	3
19,39,40,41,45 6,18	Oral Written	February 19, 2016	7
42,43,46,47,49,50,51 52,53,56,57,58	Oral	February 26, 2016	12
25,44,59,62,64,66,67,68,74 48,54,55,60,63,70,72	Oral Written	March 11, 2016	16
69	Oral	March 18, 2016	1
61,71,73,75,76,77,78,79,80 65	Oral Written	April 01, 2016	10
81,82,83	Oral	April 22, 2016	3
84,85,86,87,88,90,91,92,93,94	Oral	May 13, 2016	10
89,97,98,102,103,105,106 107,108,109,110,111,114	Oral	May 20, 2016	13
95,96,100,104,117,118,119,122,123	Oral	June 17, 2016	9
113,120,121,124,125,126,127 128,129,138,139,140,141,142,146	Oral	June 24, 2016	15
130,131,132,133,134,135,136,145 147,148,149,150,151 112,143	Oral Written	July 01, 2016	15

QUESTION NO.	FORM OF ANSWER	DATE ANSWERED	NO. OF QUESTIONS ANSWERED
101, 144,152,154,155 162,163,164,166,167,169,170 171,172,173,175,176,177	Written	July 04, 2016	18
168, 180 135,165,178,179	Oral Written	September 09, 2016	6
157,159,160,161,174	Written	September 14, 2016	5
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>174</b>

Total number of Questions filed for the Session was one hundred and eighty-one (181). One hundred and fifty-four (154) were for oral answer and twenty-seven (27) were due for a written response. A total of one hundred and seventy-four (174) were answered. Questions 99, 115 and 116 were withdrawn during the session.



<b>Prime Minister's Questions</b>		<b>Urgent Questions</b>	
<b>No. of Questions</b>	<b>Date Answered</b>	<b>No. of Questions</b>	<b>Date Answered</b>
13	November 27, 2015	6	November 13, 2015
13	December 11, 2015	4	November 27, 2015
7	January 20, 2016	5	December 04, 2015
8	February 26, 2016	6	December 11, 2015
9	March 18, 2016	4	January 11, 2016
18 (1 unanswered)	April 08, 2016	4	January 20, 2016
10	May 20, 2016	2	February 19, 2016
19	June 17, 2016	2	February 26, 2016
8	July 04, 2016	4	March 11, 2016
16	September 14, 2016 (#10 foregone)	5	March 18, 2016
		2	April 01, 2016
		4	April 08, 2016
		1	April 15, 2016
		2	April 22, 2016
		4	May 13, 2016
		2	May 20, 2016
		8	June 10, 2016
		4	June 17, 2016
		6	June 24, 2016
		2	July 01, 2016
		2	July 04, 2016
		6	September 09, 2016
		2	September 14, 2016

## GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

No.	Short Title	MOVED BY	First Debated	APPROVED/NOT APPROVED
1.	Increase of Borrowing Limits under the Development Loans Act	Minister of Finance	04.12.2015	Approved
2.	Increase of Borrowing Limits under the External Loans Act	Minister of Finance	04.12.2015	Approved
3.	Increase of Borrowing Limits under the Guarantee of Loans Act	Minister of Finance	04.12.2015	Approved
4.	Section 56 of the Customs Act, Chap. 78:01, First Column of the Schedule	Minister of Trade & Industry	11.12.2015	Approved
5.	Section 56 of the Customs Act, Chap. 78:01, Third Schedule	Minister of Trade & Industry	11.12.2015	Approved
6.	Adopt the First Report of the Standing Finance Committee of the House of Representatives	Minister of Finance	22.01.2016	Approved
7.	Notification of the nomination of Mr. Dinanath Ramkissoon as a member of the Police Service Commission	Minister of Finance	19.02.2016	Approved
8.	Adopt the Second Report of the Standing Finance Committee of the House of Representatives	Minister of Finance	08.04.2016	Approved
9.	The Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic (Amendment) (No. 2) Order, 2016	Minister of Finance	25.04.2016	Approved
10.	The Customs (Amendment to the First Schedule) Order, 2016	Minister of Finance	25.04.2016	Approved
11.	The Draft EBC (Local Government and THA) Order 2016	Minister of Rural Development & Local Government	13.05.2016	Approved
12.	The Privileges and Immunities [CARICOM Implementation Agency for Crime and Security (IMPACS)] Order, 2016	Minister in the Ministry of the Attorney General & Legal Affairs	10.06.2016	Approved

## PRIVATE MOTIONS

NO.	<u>SHORT TITLE</u>	MOVED BY	DEBATE COMMENCED	DEBATE CONCLUDED	APPROVED/NOT APPROVED
1.	Provision of Learning Materials to Students	Caroni East	27.11.2015	-	-
2.	Annulment of the Commissioner of Police and Deputy Commissioner of Police (Selection Process) Order, 2015	Chaguanas West	20.01.2016	20.01.2016	Not Approved
3.	Annulment of the Commissioner of Police and Deputy Commissioner of Police (Qualification and Selection Criteria) Order, 2015	Chaguanas West	20.01.2016	20.01.2016	Not Approved
4.	Initiation of a Programme in schools to meet the needs of children with ADD/ADHD	Tabaquite	26.02.2016	22.04.2016	Approved
5.	Annulment of the Value Added Tax (Amendment to Schedule 2) Order 2016	Tabaquite	08.03.2016	08.03.2016	Not Approved
6.	Loss of confidence in the Attorney General	Oropouche East	24.06.2016	-	-



## COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

### SESSIONAL SELECT COMMITTEES

Committees appointed for each Session are the Privileges Committee, House Committee, Standing Orders Committee, Business Committee and the Statutory Instruments Committee. The Speaker of the House appointed Members to these Committees on **October 20, 2015**. Following are the details of matters considered by each Committee for the Session.

#### *Standing Finance Committee*

The Standing Finance Committee, a Committee of the Whole House, is established by Standing Order 82 of the House of Representatives. It is the duty of this committee to consider the Estimates, the Appropriation Bill and the proposals for supplementation/variation in public.

Meeting No	Dates of Meetings	Reports Laid
1 <sup>st</sup> meeting	January 22, 2016	<a href="#">First Report of the Standing Finance Committee of the House of Representatives (2015/2016 Session)</a>
2 <sup>nd</sup> meeting	April 06, 2016	<a href="#">Second Report of the Standing Finance Committee of the House of Representatives (2015/2016 Session)</a>

#### *Standing Orders Committee*

The Standing Orders Committee is established by Standing Orders 89 and 90 of the House of Representatives which states, "The Standing Orders Committee shall have the duty of considering from time to time and reporting on all such matters, relating to the Standing Orders as may be referred to it by the House." There were no meetings held by this Committee for the session.

#### **Membership of the Standing Orders Committee**

1. Mrs. Bridgid Annisette-George, MP (Chairman)
2. Mr. Faris Al Rawi, MP
3. Mr. Anthony Garcia, MP
4. Mrs. Glenda Jennings-Smith, MP
5. Dr. Fuad Khan, MP
6. Mrs. Vidia Gayadeen-Gopeesingh, MP

*House Committee*

The House Committee is established by Standing Orders 89 and 91 of the House of Representatives which states, "The House Committee shall have the duty of considering and advising the Speaker on matters connected with the comfort and convenience of Members of the House, and from time to time reporting to the House its Minutes of Proceedings." There was one in-camera meeting for the session held on **September 09, 2016**.

**Membership of the House Committee**

1. Mrs. Camille Robinson-Regis, MP (Chairman)
2. Mr. Colm Imbert, MP
3. Maj. Gen. (Ret.) Edmund Dillon, MP
4. Mrs. Ayanna Webster-Roy, MP
5. Dr. Roodal Moonilal, MP
6. Dr. Lackram Bodoie, MP (until 26.11.2015)
7. Mr. Ganga Singh, MP (wef 27.11.2015)

*Privileges Committee*

The Privileges Committee is established by Standing Orders 89 and 92 of the House of Representatives to consider and report on any matters referred to it by the Speaker or the House which appear to affect the powers or Privileges of the House. There were no matters referred to the Privileges Committee for the First Session of the Eleventh Parliament. Its composition was as follows:

**Membership of the House Committee**

1. Mrs. Bridgid Annisette-George, MP (Chairman)
2. Mrs. Camille Robinson-Regis, MP
3. Mr. Fitzgerald Hinds, MP
4. Mr. Stuart Young, MP
5. Mr. Ganga Singh, MP
6. Dr. Surujrattan Rambachan, MP (wef 27.11.2015)
7. Dr. Roodal Moonilal, MP (until 26.11.2015)

*Statutory Instruments Committee*

(1) The Statutory Instruments Committee is established by Standing Orders 89 and 93 of the House of Representatives which states that, "The Statutory Instruments Committee shall consider Statutory Instruments that are subject to the negative resolution. It shall have the duty, *inter alia*, of bringing to the attention of the House any such instrument —

- (a) which involves the expenditure of public moneys or which imposes or fixes fees for licenses or for services;
- (b) which cannot be challenged in the Courts on the ground that it is *ultra vires*, or is only temporarily so challengeable;
- (c) the making of which appears to constitute an unusual or unexpected use of the powers conferred by the law under which it was made;
- (d) which purports to have retroactive or retrospective effect although the law under which it was made does not in terms give the maker of the instrument such a power;
- (e) the publication or the laying before the House of which, appears to have been unduly delayed;
- (f) in respect of which there has been unjustifiable delay in notifying the Speaker that the instrument had come into operation before it was laid before the House; or
- (g) the purport or form of which appears to require elucidation.

There was one in-camera meeting held by this Committee for the session on **February 16, 2016**.

**Membership of the Statutory Instruments Committee**

1. Mrs. Bridgid Annisette-George, MP (Chairman)
2. Mr. Stuart Young, MP
3. Ms. Nicole Olivierre, MP
4. Mr. Rushton Paray, MP
5. Dr. Lovell Francis, MP
6. Mr. Rudranath Indarsingh, MP (wef 27.11.2015)
7. Dr. Fuad Khan, MP (until 26.11.2015)

*Business Committee*

The Business Committee is established by Standing Orders 89 and 94 of the House of Representatives to consider such matters as may arise from time to time in connection with the business of the House, including the composition of Members to serve on Committees. There was one in-camera meeting held on **October 30, 2015**. Its composition was as follows:

**Membership of the Statutory Instruments Committee:-**

1. Mrs. Bridgid Annisette-George, MP (Chairman)
2. Mr. Colm Imbert, MP
3. Mrs. Camille Robinson-Regis, MP
4. Mrs. Cherrie-Ann Crichlow-Cockburn, MP
5. Mr. David Lee, MP
6. Mr. Ganga Singh, MP (wef 27.11.2015)
7. Dr. Roodal Moonilal, MP (until 26.11.2015)

*SPECIAL SELECT COMMITTEES*

Standing Order 95 (1) of the HOR states that, "The House may, from time to time, appoint Special Select Committees.

95 (2) A Special Select Committee shall be appointed by Order of the House which shall specify the terms of reference of the Committee and shall consist of such Members as may be directed by Order of the House and, in the absence of such direction shall consist of such Members as may be chosen by the Speaker. "

*PRIVATE BILLS*

A Private Bill for the incorporation of a body/organization by an Act of Parliament is required by the Standing Orders to be referred to a Special Select Committee of the House in which it was introduced after the Bill has been read a second time. This Session required no such Committee to be formed.

*PUBLIC BILLS*

No Public Bills were referred for the consideration of Special Select Committees for the Session.

## BUSINESS OF THE SENATE

### SITTINGS

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February 2016	1	04 hours 50 minutes
March 2016	1	04 hours 43 minutes
April 2016	3	25 hours 22 minutes
May 2016	3	23 hours 03 minutes
June 2016	4	33 hours 41 minutes
July 2016	2	12 hours 50 minutes
September 2016	1	05 hours 44 minutes
<b>Total</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>186 hours 13 minutes</b>

## DETAILS OF SITTINGS

SITTING	PRESIDING OFFICER AT START	SITTING DATE	SITTING COMMENCED	SITTING ADJOURNED	DURATION OF SITTING
1 <sup>st</sup>	Election of President (Mrs. Christine Kangaloo)	Wednesday 23.09.2015	1:30 p.m.	4:27 p.m.	<b>2 hours 57 minutes</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup>	President	Tuesday 20.10.2015	10:00 a.m.	7:16 p.m.	<b>9 hours 16 minutes</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup>	President	Wednesday 21.10.2015	10:00 a.m.	7:00 p.m.	<b>9 hours 0 minutes</b>
4 <sup>th</sup>	President	Thursday 22.10.2015	1:30 p.m.	7:23 p.m.	<b>5 hours 53 minutes</b>
5 <sup>th</sup>	President	Tuesday 17.11.2015	1:30 p.m.	2:17 p.m.	<b>0 hours 47 minutes</b>
6 <sup>th</sup>	Vice-President	Tuesday 24.11.2015	1:30 p.m.	6:40 p.m.	<b>5 hours 10 minutes</b>
7 <sup>th</sup>	President	Tuesday 08.12.2015	10:00 a.m.	12:36 a.m. on 09.12.2015	<b>14 hours 36 minutes</b>
8 <sup>th</sup>	President	Friday 15.01.2016	1:30 p.m.	3:17 a.m. on 16.01.2015	<b>13 hours 47 minutes</b>
9 <sup>th</sup>	President	Thursday 21.01.2016	1:30 p.m.	10:49 p.m.	<b>9 hours 19 minutes</b>
10 <sup>th</sup>	President	Monday 25.01.2016	1:30 p.m.	2:48 p.m.	<b>1 hour 18 minutes</b>
11 <sup>th</sup>	President	Tuesday 26.01.2016	1:30 p.m.	5:27 p.m.	<b>3 hours 57 minutes</b>

SITTING	PRESIDING OFFICER AT START	SITTING DATE	SITTING COMMENCED	SITTING ADJOURNED	DURATION OF SITTING
12 <sup>th</sup>	President	Tuesday 23.02.2016	1:30 p.m.	6:20 p.m.	<b>4 hours 50 minutes</b>
13 <sup>th</sup>	President	Tuesday 22.03.2016	1:30 p.m.	6:13 p.m.	<b>4 hours 43 minutes</b>
14 <sup>th</sup>	President	Tuesday 12.04.2016	10:00 a.m.	12:18 a.m. on 13.04.2016	<b>14 hours 18 minutes</b>
15 <sup>th</sup>	President	Tuesday 26.04.2016	1:30 p.m.	5:19 p.m.	<b>3 hours 49 minutes</b>
16 <sup>th</sup>	President	Thursday 28.04.2016	1:30 p.m.	8:45 p.m.	<b>7 hours 15 minutes</b>
17 <sup>th</sup>	President	Tuesday 03.05.2016	1:30 p.m.	8:52 p.m.	<b>7 hours 22 minutes</b>
18 <sup>th</sup>	President	Tuesday 10.05.2016	1:30 p.m.	11:51 p.m.	<b>10 hours 21 minutes</b>
19 <sup>th</sup>	President	Tuesday 24.05.2016	1:30 p.m.	6:50 p.m.	<b>5 hours 20 minutes</b>
20 <sup>th</sup>	President	Tuesday 07.06.2016	1:30 p.m.	12:28 a.m. on 08.06.2016	<b>10 hours 58 minutes</b>
21 <sup>st</sup>	President	Tuesday 14.06.2016	1:30 p.m.	6:18 p.m.	<b>4 hours 48 minutes</b>
22 <sup>nd</sup>	President	Tuesday 21.06.2016	10:00 a.m.	10:37 p.m.	<b>12 hours 37 minutes</b>
23 <sup>rd</sup>	President	Tuesday 28.06.2016	1:30 p.m.	6:48 p.m.	<b>5 hours 18 minutes</b>
24 <sup>th</sup>	Vice-President	Tuesday 05.07.2016	1:30 p.m.	5:50 p.m.	<b>4 hours 20 minutes</b>
25 <sup>th</sup>	Vice-President	Thursday 07.07.2016	1:30 p.m.	10:03 p.m.	<b>8 hours 30 minutes</b>
26 <sup>th</sup>	President	Tuesday 13.09.2016	1.30 p.m.	7.14 p.m.	<b>5 hours 44 minutes</b>

BILLS ORIGINATING IN THE SENATE

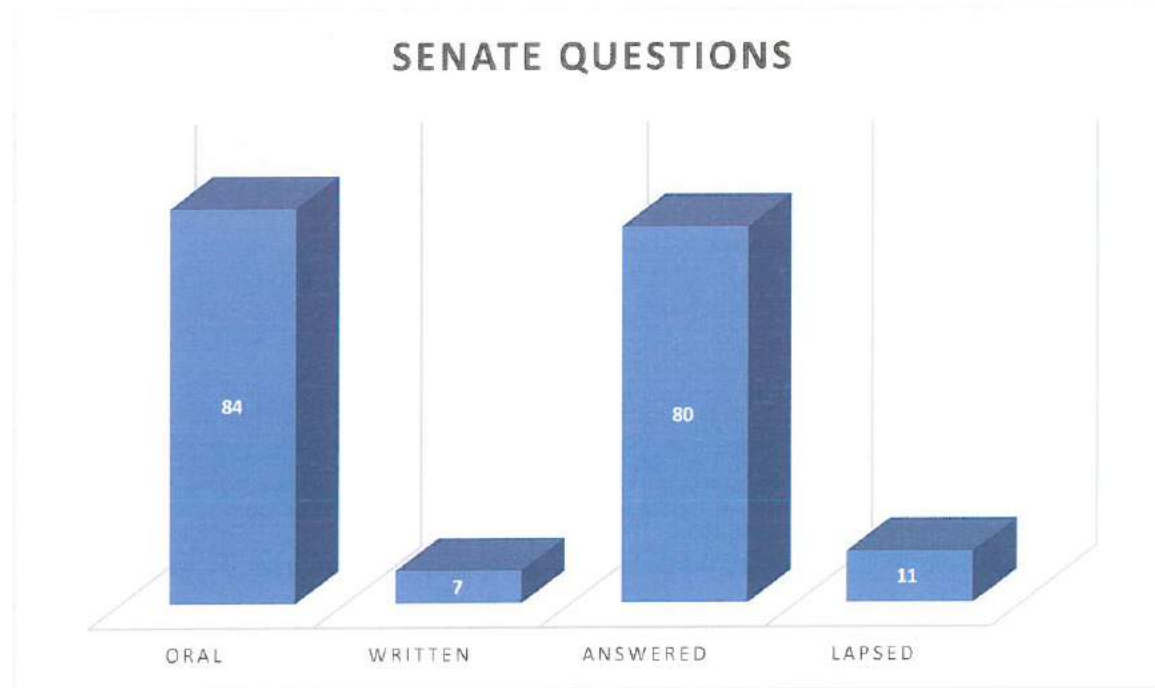
There were no Bills originating in the Senate during the First Session of the 11<sup>th</sup> Parliament.



## QUESTIONS

QUESTION NO.	FORM OF ANSWER	DATE ANSWERED	NO. OF QUESTIONS ANSWERED
1,3	Oral	November 17, 2015	2
4,6,7	Oral	November 24, 2015	3
2,8,9,10	Oral	December 08, 2015	4
11,12,13	Oral	January 15, 2016	6
5,22,30	Written		
17,18	Oral	January 25, 2016	2
20	Oral	January 26, 2016	1
14,15,16,19	Oral	February 23, 2016	7
23,24,25			
21,26,27,28,29	Oral	March 22, 2016	7
45,46			
31,32,33,48,49,50	Oral	April 12, 2016	6
34,35,51,53	Oral	April 26, 2016	4
37,38,39	Oral	April 28, 2016	3
40,41,42	Oral	May 03, 2016	3
36,43,44,52	Oral	May 10, 2016	4
47,54,55,56	Oral	May 24, 2016	4
57,58,59	Oral	June 07, 2016	4
76	Written		
60,62	Oral	June 14, 2016	2
63,64,65	Oral	June 21, 2016	3
61,67,68	Oral	June 28, 2016	3
69,70,71	Oral	July 05, 2016	4
85	Written		
72,73,74	Oral	July 07, 2016	3
66,75,77,78	Oral	September 13, 2016	5
87	Written		
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>80</b>

A total of ninety-one (91) questions were filed; eighty-four (84) were for oral answer and seven (7) were for written answer. A total of eighty (80) questions were answered.



## MOTIONS

The motion to [Adopt the First Report of the Senate Standing Orders Committee](#) was debated and approved on July 05, 2016. The Minister of Agriculture, Land and Fisheries, Mr. Clarence Rambharat, moved the motion in the Senate.

## GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

NO.	SHORT TITLE	MOTION MOVED BY	FIRST DEBATED	APPROVED/NOT APPROVED
1.	<a href="#">Increase of Loan Ceiling under the Development Loans Act</a>	Minister of Finance	08.12.2015	APPROVED
2.	<a href="#">Increase of Loan Ceiling under the External Loans Act</a>	Minister of Finance	08.12.2015	APPROVED
3.	<a href="#">Increase of Debt Limit under the Guarantee of Loans (Companies) Act</a>	Minister of Finance	08.12.2015	APPROVED
4.	<a href="#">Approve the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic (Amendment) (No.2) Order, 2016</a>	Minister of Finance	28.04.2016	APPROVED
5.	<a href="#">Approve the Customs (Amendment to the First Schedule) Order, 2016</a>	Minister of Finance	28.04.2016	APPROVED
6.	<a href="#">Approve the Privileges and Immunities [CARICOM Implementation Agency for Crime and Security (IMPACS)] Order, 2016</a>	Attorney General	14.06.2016	APPROVED

## PRIVATE MOTIONS

<i>NO.</i>	<i>SHORT TITLE</i>	<i>MOTION MOVED BY</i>	<i>FIRST DEBATED</i>	<i>APPROVED/NOT APPROVED</i>
1.	<u>Consideration of the United Nations Agenda 2030 Sustainable Development Goals</u>	Wade Mark	24.11.2015	APPROVED
2.	<u>Annulment of the Commissioner of Police and Deputy Commissioner of Police (Selection Process) Order, 2015</u>	Wade Mark	21.01.2016	NOT APPROVED
3.	<u>Annulment of the Commissioner of Police and Deputy Commissioner of Police (Qualification and Selection Criteria) Order, 2015</u>	Wade Mark	21.01.2016	NOT APPROVED
4.	<u>Condemn the actions of the Government in its dismissal of the Governor of the Central Bank on December 24, 2015</u>	Wade Mark	22.03.2016	NOT APPROVED
5.	<u>Closure of Legislation gaps in relation to penalties for the abuse and negative usage of technology</u>	Melissa Ramkissoon	26.04.2016	APPROVED
6.	<u>Establish a Joint Select Committee to consider and report on a legislative formula for parliamentary autonomy in Trinidad and Tobago</u>	Wade Mark	28.06.2016	LAPSED
7.	<u>Condemn the Government for its failure to present a clear and cogent economic policy to guide Trinidad and Tobago</u>	Wade Mark	-	LAPSED

## COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE

### SESSIONAL SELECT COMMITTEES

Committees appointed for each Session are the Standing Orders Committee, House Committee, Committee of Privileges, Business Committee and the Statutory Instruments Committee. The President appointed Members to these Committees on **October 20, 2015**. Following are the details of matters considered by each Committee for the Session.

#### *Standing Orders Committee*

The Standing Orders Committee is established by Standing Orders 79 and 80 of the Senate. There were two meetings of the Committee for the Session; February 02, 2016 and March 11, 2016. The [First Report of the Standing Orders Committee of the Senate](#) was presented to the Senate on March 22, 2016 and adopted on July 5, 2016.

#### **Membership of the Standing Orders Committee**

Mrs. Christine Kangaloo (Chairman)  
Mr. Nigel De Freitas  
Mr. Clarence Rambharat  
Mr. Daniel Solomon  
Mr. H.R. Ian Roach

#### *House Committee*

The House Committee is established by Standing Orders 79 and 81 of the Senate. **There were no meetings of this Committee for the Session.**

#### **Membership of the House Committee**

Mr. Franklin Khan (Chairman)  
Mr. Foster Cummings  
Mr. Daniel Dookie  
Mr. David Small  
Mr. Vasant Bharath (until 07.12.2015)  
Mr. Wade Mark (wef 21.06.2016)

*Committee of Privileges*

The Privileges Committee is established by Standing Orders 79 and 82 of the Senate. There were six in-camera meetings held during the session.

Matter	Meeting Dates	Reports	Date Laid
<b>Examination of matter involving public utterances made by former Temporary Opposition Senator Gerald Ramdeen</b>	02 June, 2016 09 June, 2016 16 June, 2016 22 June, 2016 27 June, 2016 14 July, 2016	<a href="#">Report of the Committee of Privileges of the Senate, First Session (2015/2016) Eleventh Parliament</a>	HOR – n/a SEN – 13.09.2016

**Membership of the Committee of Privileges**

Mrs. Christine Kangaloo (Chairman)  
Mr. Nigel De Freitas  
Mrs. Jennifer Baptiste-Primus  
Mr. Wade Mark  
Mr. Paul Richards

*Business Committee*

The Business Committee is established by Standing Orders 79 and 84 of the Senate. There was one in-camera meeting on the Committee for the Session, held on November 03, 2015.

**Membership of the Business Committee**

Mrs. Christine Kangaloo (Chairman)  
Mr. Franklin Khan  
Mrs. Paula Gopee-Scoon  
Mr. Wade Mark  
Dr. Dhanayshar Mahabir

*Statutory Instruments Committee*

The Statutory Instruments Committee is established by Standing Orders 79 and 83 of the Senate.

**Membership of the Statutory Instruments Committee**

Mrs. Christine Kangaloo (Chairman)

Mr. W. Michael Coppin

Mr. Wayne Sturge

Ms. Sophia Chote, SC

Mr. Hafeez Ali (until 13.06.2016)

Mr. Ronan Sinanan (wef 21.06.2016)

The Subsidiary Legislation stated hereunder was considered by the Members of the Statutory Instruments Committee of the Senate.

NO.	TITLE	DATE PUBLISHED	DATE LAID	COMMENTS
1.	The Proceeds of Crime (Prescribed Forms) (Amendment) Regulations, 2015	03.09.2015	HOR – 13.11.2015 SEN – 24.11.2015	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.
2.	The Civil Aviation [No. 18.) State Aircraft Registration and Markings] Regulations, 2015	20.07.2015	HOR – 13.11.2015 SEN – 24.11.2015	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.
3.	The Trinidad and Tobago Housing Development Corporation (Vesting) (Amendment to the First Schedule) (No. 3) Order, 2015	17.06.2015	HOR – 13.11.2015 SEN – 24.11.2015	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.
4.	The Senior Citizens' Pension (Amendment of Schedule) Order 2015	25.11.2015	HOR – 04.12.2015 SEN – 08.12.2015	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.
5.	The Immigration (Amendment) Regulations, 2015	11.06.2015	HOR – 12.06.2015 SEN – 08.12.2015	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.
6.	The Commissioner of Police and Deputy Commissioner of Police (Selection Process) Order, 2015	16.12.2015	HOR – 11.01.2016 SEN – 15.01.2016	A motion was moved to annul the Order – the motion was not approved
7.	The Appointment of the Commissioner of Police and Deputy Commissioner of Police (Qualification and Selection Criteria) Order, 2015	16.12.2015	HOR – 11.01.2016 SEN – 15.01.2016	A motion was moved to annul the Order – the motion was not approved
8.	The Value Added Tax (Amendment to Schedule 2) Order, 2016	29.01.2016	HOR – 19.02.2016 SEN – 23.02.2016	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.
9.	The Draft Elections and Boundaries Commission (Local Government and Tobago House of Assembly) Order, 2016	25.08.2016	HOR – 11.03.2016	Debated and Approved
10.	The Trinidad and Tobago Housing Development Corporation (Vesting) (Amendment to the First Schedule) (No. 2) Order, 2016	07.04.2016	HOR – 08.04.2016 SEN – 12.04.2016	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.
11.	The Customs (Amendment to the First Schedule) Order, 2016	08.04.2016	HOR – 15.04.2016 SEN – 26.04.2016	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.
12.	The Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic (Amendment) (No. 2) Order, 2016	08.04.2016	HOR – 15.04.2016 SEN – 26.04.2016	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.



13.	The Privileges and Immunities [CARICOM Implementation Agency for Crime and Security (IMPACS)] Order, 2016	16.06.2016	HOR – 13.05.2016 SEN – 03.05.2016	Debated and approved
14.	The Criminal Procedure Rules, 2016	21.04.2016	HOR – 13.05.2016 SEN – 03.05.2016	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.
15.	The Defence Force (Rates of Pay and Allowances) (Amendment) Regulations, 2016	05.07.2016	HOR – 24.06.2016 SEN – 21.06.2016	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.
16.	The Defence Force (Rates of Pay and Allowances) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations, 2016	05.07.2016	HOR – 24.06.2016 SEN – 21.06.2016	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.

## SPECIAL SELECT COMMITTEES

Standing Order 85 (1) states that,

“The Senate may, from time to time, appoint Special Select Committees.”

85 (2) provides that “A Special Select Committee shall be appointed by Order of the Senate which shall specify the terms of reference of the Committee and shall consist of such Senators as may be directed by Order of the Senate and, in the absence of such direction, shall consist of such Senators as may be chosen by the President.”

There were no such Committees appointed for this session.

## BUSINESS OF COMMITTEES

### PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE (PAC)

Section 119(1) of the Constitution of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago provides for the establishment of the PAC. The PAC examines the audited accounts of Government Ministries and Departments while also paying close attention to the reports of the Auditor General on the various Accounts of Government Ministries and Agencies. The PAC is assisted by the Auditor General and has powers to send for persons, papers and records.

**ACTIVITIES - PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE** - This Committee had a total of eleven (11) meetings for the Session.

COMMITTEE	MEMBERSHIP	TOTAL MEETINGS ATTENDED	REPORTS	DATE LAID	
<b>Public Accounts Committee</b>	Dr. Bhoendradatt Tewarie, MP (Chairman)	11	-	-	
	Mrs. Ayanna Webster-Roy, MP	8			
	Ms. Marlene McDonald, MP	4			
	<b>The PAC had a total of Eleven (11) meetings for the Session.</b>	Mr. Randall Mitchell, MP	9		
	Dr. Lester Henry	7			
	Mrs. Paula Gopee-Scoon	8			
	Dr. Dhanayshar Mahabir	8			
	Mr. Rodger Samuel (wef 08.12.2015)	10			
	Mr. Wade Mark (until 08.12.2015)	-			

<b>DATES OF MEETINGS</b>	<b>LINE MINISTRY</b>	<b>AGENCY/ENTERPRISE</b>	<b>NO. OF MEETINGS HELD</b>	<b>COMMENTS</b>
December 02, 2015	-	-	1	In-camera
December 16, 2015	-	-	1	In-camera
January 27, 2016	-	-	1	In-camera
February 24, 2016	-	Auditor General	1	Public meeting
March 09, 2016	Auditor General's Department	Auditor General	2	In-camera/Public Meeting
March 23, 2016	Ministry of Tourism	Auditor General	2	In-camera/Public Meeting
April 13, 2016	Tobago House of Assembly	Auditor General	2	In-camera/Public Meeting
May 11, 2016	Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries	Auditor general	2	In-camera/Public Meeting
May 25, 2016	Ministry of National Security	Auditor General	2	In-camera/Public Meeting
June 08, 2016	Auditor General's Department	Auditor General	2	In-camera/Public Meeting
June 22, 2016	Ministry of Finance	Auditor General	2	In-camera/Public Meeting

## PUBLIC ACCOUNTS (ENTERPRISES) COMMITTEE (PA[E]C)

Section 119(5) of the Constitution of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago provides for the establishment of the PA[E]C. The PA[E]C examines various accounts of State Enterprises owned either wholly, partially or indirectly by the State which are audited by the Auditor General or by privately contracted auditing firms. The Committee is assisted by the Auditor General, the Investments Division of the Ministry of Finance and the Comptroller of Accounts. This Committee has powers to send for persons, papers and records.

ACTIVITIES - PUBLIC ACCOUNTS (ENTERPRISES) COMMITTEE - This Committee had a total of eleven (11) meetings for the Session.

COMMITTEE	MEMBERSHIP	TOTAL MEETINGS ATTENDED	REPORTS	DATE LAID
<b>Public Accounts (Enterprises) Committee</b>	Mr. Wade Mark (Chairman)	9	<a href="#"><u>The First Report of the PAEC - Examination of the Audited Financial Statements of State Enterprises - NSDSL, eTeck, NFM, NQCL, GHRS, NIDCO, TTMF</u></a>	HOR - 09.09.2016
	Dr. Tim Gopeesingh, MP	11		
	Mr. Fitzgerald Hinds, MP	7		
	Mrs. Cherrie-Ann Crichlow- Cockburn, MP	9		
	Ms. Shamfa Cudjoe, MP	7		
	Mrs. Jennifer Baptiste-Primus	6		
<b>This Committee had a total of eleven (11) meetings for the Session.</b>	Mr. Foster Cummings	9		
	Mr. David Small	8		

<b>DATES OF MEETINGS</b>	<b>LINE MINISTRY</b>	<b>AGENCY/ENTERPRISE</b>	<b>NO. OF MEETINGS HELD</b>	<b>COMMENTS</b>
December 02, 2015	-		1	In-camera
January 13, 2016		-	1	In-camera
February 17, 2016			1	In-camera
March 16, 2016		National Schools Dietary Services Limited	2	In-camera/Public meeting
April 06, 2016		Evolving Technologies and Enterprises Company Limited	2	In-camera/Public Meeting
April 20, 2016		National Flour Mills	2	In-camera/Public Meeting
May 04, 2016		National Quarries Company Limited	2	In-camera/Public Meeting
May 18, 2016		Government Human Resource Services Limited	2	In-camera/Public Meeting
June 01, 2016		National Infrastructure Development Company Limited	2	In-camera/Public Meeting
June 15, 2016		Trinidad and Tobago Mortgage Finance Company Limited	2	In-camera/Public Meeting
September 07, 2016			1	In-camera

**PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

The Public Administration and Appropriations Committee is established by Standing Order 102 of the House of Representatives.

Membership AND Activities of the Public Administration and Appropriations Committee - This Committee had a total of twelve (12) meetings for the Session.

COMMITTEE	MEMBERSHIP	TOTAL MEETINGS ATTENDED	REPORTS	DATE LAID
<b>This Committee had a total of twelve (12) meetings for the Session.</b>	Mrs. Bridgid Annisette-George, MP (Chairman)	12	-	-
	Dr. Lackram Bodoë, MP	10		
	Mrs. Ayanna Webster-Roy, MP	7		
	Ms. Nicole Olivierre, MP	9		
	Mr. Maxie Cuffie, MP	10		
	Ms. Melissa Ramkissoon	10		
	Mr. Daniel Dookie	7		
	Ms. Allyson Baksh	10		
	Mr. Clarence Rambharat	6		
	Mr. Wade Mark *	10		

\*Mr. Wade Mark replaced Mr. Rodger Samuel on December 08, 2015.

<b>DATES OF MEETINGS</b>	<b>LINE MINISTRY</b>	<b>AGENCY/ENTERPRISE</b>	<b>COMMENTS</b>
January 27, 2016	-		In-camera
February 10, 2016		-	In-camera
February 24, 2016			In-camera
March 23, 2016			In-camera
April 13, 2016	Ministry of the Attorney General & Legal Affairs Ministry of Sport & Youth Affairs		In-camera/Public Meeting
April 27, 2016		Tax Appeal Board, Environmental Commission, Integrity Commission & Industrial Court	In-camera/Public Meeting
May 11, 2016	Ministry of Public Utilities		In-camera/Public Meeting
June 08, 2016	Office of the Prime Minister	- Personnel Department Police Service	In-camera/Public Meeting
June 15, 2016	Ministry of Sport & Youth Affairs Ministry of Health		In-camera/Public Meeting
June 22, 2016	Ministry of Tourism		In-camera
July 13, 2016			
September 14, 2016			



**ACTIVITIES – COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL SECURITY**

The Committee on National Security is established by Standing Order 103 of the House of Representatives and 93 of the Senate. The Committee held a total of nine (9) meetings for this Session.

**MEMBERSHIP AND ACTIVITIES – COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL SECURITY** - This Committee had a total of nine (9) meetings for the Session.

COMMITTEE	MEMBERSHIP	TOTAL MEETINGS ATTENDED	REPORT	DATES LAID
<b>Committee on National Security</b>	Mr. Fitzgerald Hinds, MP (Chairman)	9	-	-
	Mr. Prakash Ramadhar, MP	6		
	Ms. Nicole Olivierre, MP	8		
<b>This Committee had a total of nine (9) meetings for the Session.</b>	Mr. Faris Al Rawi, MP	4		
	Mr. Michael Coppin	8		
	Mr. Nigel De Freitas	8		
	Mr. Wayne Sturge	2		
	Mr. Taurel Shrikissoon	7		

\*Mr. Fitzgerald Hinds and Mr. Taurel Shrikissoon were elected Chairman and Vice-Chairman respectively on December 02, 2015.

\*Mr. Taurel Shrikissoon resigned as Vice-Chairman on December 02, 2015.

\*Mr. Prakash Ramadhar was elected Vice-Chairman on September 14, 2016.

DATES OF MEETINGS	LINE MINISTRY	AGENCY/ENTERPRISE	COMMENTS
December 02, 2015	-	-	In-camera
February 01, 2016	-	-	In-camera
May 16, 2016	-	-	In-camera
May 23, 2016	Ministry of National Security	Trinidad and Tobago Prison Service	In-camera
June 01, 2016	Ministry of National Security	Trinidad and Tobago Police Service Officials of the Ministry of National Security Trinidad and Tobago Forensic Science Centre	In-camera/Public Meeting
June 22, 2016	Ministry of National Security	Trinidad and Tobago Police Service Officials of the Ministry of National Security Trinidad and Tobago Forensic Science Centre	In-camera/Public Meeting
	Office of the Prime Minister Ministry of the Attorney General and Legal Affairs	Personnel Department Chief Parliamentary Counsel	
July 13, 2016	Ministry of the Attorney General and Legal Affairs	Police Complaints Authority	In-camera
September 07, 2016	-	-	In-camera
September 14, 2016	-	-	In-camera

**ACTIVITIES – COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AFFAIRS** - This Committee had a total of six (6) meetings for the Session.

COMMITTEE	MEMBERSHIP	TOTAL MEETINGS ATTENDED	Meeting Dates	Comments
<b>Committee on Energy Affairs</b>  <b>This Committee had a total of six (6) meetings for the Session.</b>	Mr. Colm Imbert, MP (Chairman)	6	December 02, 2015	In-camera
	Mr. Franklin Khan, MP	5	January 20, 2016	In-camera
	Maj. Gen. (Ret.) Edmund Dillon, MP	6	February 05, 2016	In-camera
	Mrs. Ayanna Webster-Roy, MP	3	March 02, 2016	In-camera/Public Meeting
	Mr. David Lee, MP	4	May 17, 2016	In-camera/Public Meeting
	Mrs. Paula Gopee-Scoon	5	June 01, 2016	In-camera/Public Meeting
	Mr. Daniel Solomon	5		
Mr. David Small	6			

**ACTIVITIES – COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS** - This Committee had a total of seven (7) meetings for the Session.

MEMBERSHIP	TOTAL MEETINGS ATTENDED	Meeting Dates	Agenda	Comments
<b>Ms. Marlene McDonald, MP (Chairman)</b>	4	December 02, 2015		In-camera
		January 13, 2016		In-camera
<b>Mrs. Paula Gopee-Scoon</b>	7	March 23, 2016	Consideration of Draft Inquiry Proposal re the Strengthening of the CARICOM Institutions	In-camera
<b>Mr. Terrence Deyalsingh, MP</b>	5			
<b>Ms. Shamfa Cudjoe, MP</b>	4	April 13, 2016		In-camera
<b>Mr. Rodney Charles, MP</b>	7	May 04, 2016	Discussion with representatives from the Institute of International Relations, UWI re "The Impact of our Foreign Policy on the Economy"	In-camera
<b>Mr. Avinash Singh</b>	6			
<b>Mr. Rodger Samuel</b>	6	June 03, 2016	Consideration of matter referred by HOR namely: Draft Summary of Recommendations & Conclusions of the 41 <sup>st</sup> Meeting of the Council for Trade & Economic Development (COTED)	In-camera
<b>Dr. Dhanayshar Mahabir</b>	5	June 29, 2016	Consideration of matter referred by HOR: Discussions with Officers/Experts from the Ministry of Foreign & CARICOM Affairs, Health, Trade and Industry & Trinidad & Tobago Manufacturers' Association ( TTMA)	In-camera

**COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS, DIVERSITY AND EQUALITY** - This Committee had a total of eight (8) meetings for the Session.

COMMITTEE	MEMBERSHIP	TOTAL MEETINGS ATTENDED	REPORTS	DATE PRESENTED
<b>Committee on Human Rights, Diversity, the Environment &amp; Sustainable Development</b>	Mrs. Nyan Gadsby-Dolly, MP (Chairman)	8	The First Report of the Joint Select Committee on Human Rights, Equality and Diversity (First Session, Eleventh Parliament) on the Support Programs and Services for children whose parent or guardian was the perpetrator or victim of a violent offence.	HOR – 09.09.2016 SEN – 07.07.2016
	Ms. Sarah Budhu (Vice Chairman)	8		
	Mrs. Glenda Jennings-Smith, MP	7		
	Mr. Randall Mitchell, MP	4		
	Mrs. Vidia Gayadeen-Gopeesingh, MP	7		
	Mr. Dennis Moses	6		
<b>This Committee had a total of eight (8) meetings for the Session.</b>	Mr. Rodger Samuel	7	The Second Report of the Joint Select Committee on Human Rights, Equality and Diversity (First Session, Eleventh Parliament) on the Challenges faced by Persons with Disabilities with Specific focus on Access to Services and Employment.	HOR – 09.09.2016 SEN – 07.07.2016
	Ms. Jennifer Raffoul	7		

<b>DATES OF MEETINGS</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>INQUIRY/AGENDA</b>	<b>COMMENTS</b>
December 11, 2015	-	<i>Election of a Chairman &amp; Vice Chairman</i>	In-camera
January 20, 2016	-	<i>Presentation by the UNDP on "Partnerships for Promoting and Protecting Human Rights in T&amp;T"</i>	In-camera
February 24, 2016	-	<i>Determination of the Work Programme</i>	In-camera
April 06, 2016		<i>Consideration of Draft Inquiry Proposals</i>	In-camera
April 27, 2016		<i>An inquiry into the support programs and services for children whose parent or guardian was a victim or perpetrator of a violent offence</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
June 03, 2016			In-camera
June 06, 2016		<i>An inquiry into the challenges faced by persons with disabilities with specific focus on access to services and employment</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
June 22, 2016		<i>Presentations by (1) Coalition of Organisations engaged in Human Rights Advocacy and (2) Parliamentarians for Global Action</i>	In-camera

## THE PARLIAMENTARY BROADCASTING COMMITTEE

There were no meetings of the Broadcasting Committee during the 1<sup>st</sup> Session of the 11<sup>th</sup> Parliament.

### Membership of the Parliamentary Broadcasting Committee

Mrs. Bridgid Annisette-George, MP (Chairman)

Mrs. Christine Kangaloo

Mr. Darryl Smith, MP

Ms. Shamfa Cudjoe, MP

Mr. Barry Padarath, MP

Ms. Khadijah Ameen

Mr. Paul Richards

## COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ASSURANCES

The Committee on Government Assurances is established by Standing Order 98(4) of the House of Representatives and 88(4) of the Senate. There was one *in camera* meeting held for this session on **January 29, 2016**. [The First Report of the Joint Select Committee on Government Assurances](#) was laid on February 26 and 23, 2016 in the House of Representatives and Senate respectively.

### Membership of the Committee on Government Assurances

Ms. Christine Kangaloo (Chairman)

Mrs. Bridgid Annisette-George, MP

Mr. Adrian Leonce, MP

Mr. Anthony Garcia, MP

Dr. Surujrattan Rambachan, MP

Mr. Foster Cummings

Ms. Khadijah Ameen

Mr. H.R. Ian Roach

## OVERSIGHT DEPARTMENTAL JOINT SELECT COMMITTEES OF PARLIAMENT APPOINTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 66A OF THE CONSTITUTION

## MANDATE

Section 66A (1) of the Constitution states *inter alia*:

*“...Joint Select Committees to inquire into and report to both Houses of Parliament in respect of –*

- (A) Government Ministries*
- (B) Municipal Corporations;*
- (C) Statutory Authorities;*
- (D) Enterprises owned or controlled by or on behalf of the State or which received funding from the State of more than two third of its total income in any one year; and*
- (E) Service Commissions, in relation to their administration, the manner of the exercise of their powers, their methods of functioning and any criteria adopted by them in the exercise of their powers and functions;”*

STANDING ORDERS 88 (2) and 99 (1) of the Senate and House of Representatives respectively give effect to the operations of these Committees.

These Committees are established for the life of a Parliament.

**ACTIVITIES – COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND LEGAL AFFAIRS** - This Committee had a total of nine (9) meetings for the Session.

COMMITTEE	MEMBERSHIP	MEETINGS ATTENDED	DATES OF MEETINGS	INQUIRY/AGENDA	COMMENTS
Committee on Finance and Legal Affairs  This Committee had a total of nine (9) meetings for the Session.	Ms. Sophia Chote, SC (Chairman)	9	December 02, 2015	-	In-camera
	Mr. W. Michael Coppin	8	January 15, 2016	-	In-camera
	Mr. Randall Mitchell, MP	5	February 19, 2016	<i>An inquiry into criminal case flow management in the Judicial System</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
	Ms. Marlene McDonald, MP	2	March 18, 2016	<i>An inquiry into criminal case flow management in the Judicial System</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
	Dr. Lovell Francis, MP	5	April 15, 2016		In-camera
	Mr. Prakash Ramadhar, MP	4	May 20, 2016	<i>An inquiry into Food Fraud in Trinidad and Tobago</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
	Mr. Clarence Rambharat	8	June 17, 2016	<i>An inquiry into Food Fraud in Trinidad and Tobago</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
	Mr. Wayne Sturge	5	July 01, 2016		In-camera
			September 09, 2016		In-camera

**ACTIVITIES – COMMITTEE ON LAND AND PHYSICAL INFRASTRUCTURE** - This Committee had a total of seven (7) meetings for the Session.

COMMITTEE	MEMBERSHIP	MEETINGS ATTENDED	DATES OF MEETINGS	INQUIRY/AGENDA	COMMENTS
Committee on Land and Physical Infrastructure  This Committee had a total of seven (7) meetings for the Session.	Mr. Stephen Creese (Chairman)	6	December 02, 2015	<i>Election of a Chairman &amp; Vice Chairman</i>	In-camera
	Mr. Rushton Paray, MP	6	February 02, 2016	<i>Determination of Work Schedule</i>	In-camera
	Mr. Darryl Smith, MP	5	March 01, 2016	<i>Consideration of Draft Inquiry Proposals</i>	In-camera
	Mrs. Glenda Jennings-Smith, MP	3	April 05, 2016	<i>An inquiry into land tenure in Trinidad and Tobago</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
	Dr. Lovell Francis, MP	4	May 03, 2016	<i>An inquiry into land tenure in Trinidad and Tobago</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
	Mr. Franklin Khan	4	June 07, 2016	<i>An inquiry into land tenure issues in Trinidad and Tobago – Land Settlement Agency</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
	Mr. Daniel Solomon	6	June 27, 2016		In-camera
	Mr. Hafeez Ali*	5			

- Mr. Rohan Sinanan replaced Mr. Ali wef June 21, 2016



**ACTIVITIES – COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICES AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION** - This Committee had a total of eight (8) meetings for the Session.

COMMITTEE	MEMBERSHIP	MEETINGS ATTENDED	DATES OF MEETINGS	INQUIRY/AGENDA	COMMENTS
Committee on Social Services and Public Administration  This Committee had a total of eight (8) meetings for the Session.	Dr. Dhanayshar Mahabir (Chairman)	8	December 02, 2015	<i>Election of a Chairman and Vice Chairman</i>	In-camera
	Brig. Gen. Ancil Antoine, MP	7	January 20, 2016	<i>Determination of a Work Plan</i>	In-camera
	Mrs. Christine Newallo-Hosein, MP	8	February 26, 2016	<i>An inquiry into the current level of violence and deviant behaviour among students in schools</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
	Ms. Nadine Stewart	6	March 16, 2016	<i>An inquiry into the current level of violence and deviant behaviour among students in schools</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
	Ms. Khadijah Ameen	6	April 20, 2016	<i>An inquiry into the current level of violence and deviant behaviour among students in schools</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
	Mr. Esmond Forde, MP (wef 01.04.2016)	2	April 29, 2016	<i>An inquiry into the current level of violence and deviant behaviour among students in schools</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
	Mr. Terrence Deyalsingh, MP (until 01.04.2016)	1	May 18, 2016	<i>An inquiry into the effectiveness of the State's interventions directed at socially displaced persons in Trinidad and Tobago</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
	Ms. Shamfa Cudjoe, MP (until 13.05.2016)	2	June 15, 2016	<i>An inquiry into the effectiveness of the State's interventions directed at socially displaced persons in Trinidad and Tobago</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
	Mrs. Glenda Jennings-Smith, MP (wef 13.05.2016)	2			
	Mr. Hafeez Ai (until 13.06.2016) Mr. Rohan Sinanan (wef 21.06.2016)	7 -			

### ACTIVITIES – COMMITTEE ON LOCAL AUTHORITIES, SERVICE COMMISSIONS AND STATUTORY AUTHORITIES [INCLUDING THE THA]

- This Committee had a total of eight (8) meetings for the Session.

COMMITTEE	MEMBERSHIP	MEETINGS ATTENDED	DATES OF MEETINGS	INQUIRY/AGENDA	COMMENTS
Committee on Local Authorities, Service Commissions and Statutory Authorities [Including the THA]  This Committee had a total of eight (8) meetings for the Session.	Mr. H.R. Ian Roach (Chairman)	8	December 02, 2015	<i>Election of a Chairman &amp; Vice Chairman</i>	In-camera
	Ms. Ramona Ramdial, MP	8	January 13, 2016	<i>Determination of a Work Programme</i>	In-camera
	Mr. Darryl Smith, MP	8	January 27, 2016		In-camera
	Mr. Stuart Young, MP	5	February 24, 2016	<i>An inquiry into the status of the implementation of recommendations set out in the 12<sup>th</sup> Report of the JSC on Ministries, Statutory Authorities and State Enterprises (Group 1)</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
	Mr. Faris Al Rawi, MP	7	March 23, 2016	<i>An inquiry into the Administration and Operations of the Land Settlement Agency (LSA) in relation to Squatter Regularisation</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
	Mrs. Jennifer Baptiste-Primus	5	April 27, 2016	<i>An Inquiry into the Administration and Operations of the Tobago House of Assembly in relation to Financial Allocations, Tourism, Agriculture and Transport</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting –held in Scarborough, Tobago
	Mr. Nigel De Freitas	7	June 03, 2016	<i>An Inquiry into certain aspects of the Administration of the Tobago House of Assembly (THA) [with focus on the state of Tobago's Tourism Sector and Inter-Island Transportation]</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
	Mr. Daniel Solomon	6	June 22, 2016	<i>Examination of the South-West Regional Health Authority (SWRHA) with specific focus on the adequacy of medical staff and equipment at the San Fernando General Hospital</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting

**ACTIVITIES – COMMITTEE ON STATE ENTERPRISES** - This Committee had a total of ten (10) meetings for the Session.

COMMITTEE	MEMBERSHIP	MEETINGS ATTENDED	DATES OF MEETINGS	INQUIRY/AGENDA	COMMENTS
Committee on State Enterprises  This Committee had a total of ten (10) meetings for the Session.	Mr. David Small (Chairman)	8	December 02, 2015	<b>Election of Chairman &amp; Vice Chairman</b>	<b>In-camera</b>
	Dr. Lester Henry	6	January 25, 2016	<b>Determination of Work Schedule</b>	<b>In-camera</b>
	Brig. Gen. Ancil Antoine, MP	9	February 22, 2016	<b>Consideration of Draft Inquiry Proposal re Petrotrin</b>	<b>In-camera</b>
	Mr. Adrian Leonce, MP	8	March 08, 2016	<b>Consideration of Draft Inquiry Proposals re UDeCott &amp; National Gas Company</b>	<b>In-camera</b>
	Mr. Fazal Karim, MP	8	March 21, 2016	<b><i>The non-submission of Administrative Reports of State Enterprises - Sec. 66D</i></b>	<b>In-camera/Public Meeting</b>
				<b><i>An inquiry into the management and operations of the Petroleum Company of Trinidad and Tobago (PETROTRIN)</i></b>	
	Mrs. Cherrie-Ann Crichlow-Cockburn, MP	7	April 15, 2016	<b>Consideration of Draft Inquiry Proposals re Caribbean Airlines &amp; SporTT</b>	<b>In-camera</b>
	Ms. Allyson Baksh	9	April 25, 2016	<b><i>An inquiry into the management and operations of the Petroleum Company of Trinidad and Tobago (PETROTRIN)</i></b>	<b>In-camera/Public Meeting</b>
	Mr. Wade Mark	8	May 02, 2016	<b><i>An inquiry into the management and operations of the Urban Development Corporation of Trinidad and Tobago Limited (UDeCOTT)</i></b>	<b>In-camera/Public Meeting</b>
			May 09, 2016	<b><i>An Inquiry into the management and operations of the National Gas Company of Trinidad and Tobago (NGC)</i></b>	<b>In-camera/Public Meeting</b>
		June 06, 2016	<b>Consideration of Draft Committee Reports re Petrotrin &amp; NGC</b>	<b>In-camera</b>	

## AD HOC JOINT SELECT COMMITTEES

Three *ad hoc* Joint Select Committees were appointed during the session.

COMMITTEE	MEMBERSHIP	REPORT	DATE LAID
<a href="#"><u>Joint Select Committee - The Public Procurement and Disposal of Public Property (Amendment) Bill, 2015</u></a>	Mr. Colm Imbert, MP (Chairman) Mrs. Cherrie-Ann Crichlow-Cockburn, MP Mr. Adrian Leonce, MP Mr. Franklin Khan Mrs. Paula Gopee-Scoon Mr. Wayne Sturge Mr. David Small Dr. Bhoendradatt Tewarie, MP	Interim Report of the Joint Select Committee appointed to consider and report on the Public Procurement and Disposal of Public Property (Amendment) Bill, 2015.	HOR – 22.01.2016 SEN – 25.01.2016
		Report of the Joint Select Committee appointed to consider and report on the Public Procurement and Disposal of Public Property (Amendment) Bill, 2015	HOR – 26.02.2016 SEN – 22.03.2016
<a href="#"><u>Joint Select Committee - The Whistleblower Protection Bill, 2015</u></a>	Mr. Faris Al Rawi, MP (Chairman) Mr. Stuart Young, MP Maj. Gen. Edmund Dillon, MP Mr. W. Michael Coppin Mr. Foster Cummings Ms. Sophia Chote, SC Mr. Wade Mark Mr. Prakash Ramadhar, MP	Interim Report of the Joint Select Committee appointed to consider and report on the Whistleblower Protection Bill, 2015	HOR – 22.01.2016 SEN – 25.01.2016
		2nd Interim Report of the Joint Select Committee appointed to consider and report on the Whistleblower Protection Bill, 2015	HOR – 18.03.2016 SEN – 22.03.2016
		3rd Interim Report of the Joint Select Committee appointed to consider and report on the Whistleblower Protection Bill, 2015	HOR – 13.05.2016 SEN – 28.04.2016

		4th Interim Report of the Joint Select Committee appointed to consider and report on the Whistleblower Protection Bill, 2015	HOR – 17.06.2016 SEN – 21.06.2016
<a href="#"><u>Joint Select Committee - The Family and Children Division Bill 2016</u></a>	Mr. Faris Al Rawi, MP (Chairman) Mrs. Ayanna Webster-Roy, MP Mr. Randall Mitchell, MP Ms. Ramona Ramdial, MP Mr. Barry Padarath, MP Ms. Khadijah Ameen Ms. Nadine Stewart Mr. Hafeez Ali Mr. W. Michael Coppin Ms. Melissa Ramkissoon	The 5th Interim Report of the Joint Select Committee appointed to consider and report on the Whistleblower Protection Bill 2015	HOR – .09.09.2016 SEN – 13.09.2016
		Report of the Family and Children Division Bill, 2016	HOR – 13.05.2016 SEN – 28.04.2016

## APPENDIX I

## MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MEMBER	PORTFOLIO
1. Hon. Bridgid Annisette-George	Speaker of the House
2. Hon. Camille Robinson-Regis	Member for Arouca/Maloney Minister of Planning and Development
3. Hon. Dr. Keith Rowley	Member for Diego Martin West Prime Minister
4. Hon. Faris Al Rawi	Member for San Fernando West Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs
5. Hon. Colm Imbert	Member for Diego Martin North/East Minister of Finance
6. Hon. Stuart Young	Member for Port of Spain North/St. Ann's West Minister in the Office of the Attorney General and Legal Affairs and Minister in the Office of the Prime Minister
7. Hon. Terrence Deyalsingh	Member for St. Joseph Minister of Health
8. Hon. Fitzgerald Hinds	Member for Laventille West Minister of Works and Transport
9. Hon. Randall Mitchell	Member for San Fernando East Minister of Housing
10. Hon. Shamfa Cudjoe	Member for Tobago West Minister of Tourism
11. Hon. Brig. Gen. (Ret.) Ancil Antoine	Member for D'Abadie/O'Meara Minister of Public Utilities
12. Hon. Cherrie-Ann Crichlow-Cockburn	Member for Lopinot/Bon Air West Minister of Social Development and Family Services
13. Mr. Esmond Forde	Member for Tunapuna Deputy Speaker
14. Hon. Maj. Gen. (Ret.) Edmund Dillon	Member for Point Fortin Minister of National Security
15. Hon. Ayanna Webster-Roy	Member for Tobago East Minister of State in the Office of the Prime Minister
16. Hon. Dr. Nyan Gadsby-Dolly	Member for St. Ann's East Minister of Community Development, Culture and the Arts
17. Hon. Nicole Olivierre	Member for La Brea Minister of Energy and Energy Industries
18. Hon. Maxie Cuffie	Member for La Horquetta/Talparo Minister of Public Administration and Communication
19. Hon. Anthony Garcia	Member for Arima Minister of Education
20. Hon. Darryl Smith	Member for Diego Martin Central Minister of Sport and Youth Affairs
21. Hon. Dr. Lovell Francis	Member for Moruga/Tableland Minister of State in the Ministry of Education
22. Mrs. Glenda Jennings-Smith	Member for Toco/Sangre Grande Parliamentary Secretary in the Ministry of National Security
23. Mr. Adrian Leonce	Member for Laventille East/Morvant
24. Ms. Marlene McDonald	Member for Port of Spain South
<b>OPPOSITION</b>	
25. Mr. Ganga Singh	Member for Chaguanas West

MEMBER	PORTFOLIO
26. Hon. Kamla Persad-Bissessar, SC	Member for Siparia Leader of the Opposition
27. Mr. David Lee	Member for Pointe-a-Pierre
28. Mr. Prakash Ramadhar	Member for St. Augustine
29. Mr. Fazal Karim	Member for Chaguanas East
30. Dr. Surujrattan Rambachan	Member for Tabaquite
31. Dr. Bhoendradatt Tewarie	Member for Caroni Central
32. Mrs. Christine Newallo-Hosein	Member for Cumuto/Manzanilla
33. Dr. Tim Gopeesingh	Member for Caroni East
34. Mrs. Vidia Gayadeen-Gopeesingh	Member for Oropouche West
35. Dr. Roodal Moonilal	Member for Oropouche East
36. Mr. Rudranath Indarsingh	Member for Couva South
37. Dr. Fuad Khan	Member for Barataria/San Juan
38. Mr. Rodney Charles	Member for Naparima
39. Mr. Barry Padarath	Member for Princes Town
40. Dr. Lackram Bodoie	Member for Fyzabad
41. Mr. Rushton Paray	Member for Mayaro
42. Ms. Ramona Ramdial	Member for Couva North

## MEMBERS OF THE SENATE

NAME OF SENATOR	PORTFOLIO
1. Sen. the Hon. Christine Kangaaloo	President of the Senate
<b>GOVERNMENT</b>	
2. Sen. the Hon. Franklin Khan	Minister of Rural Development and Local Government
3. Sen. the Hon. Paula Gopee-Scoon	Minister of Trade and Industry
4. Sen. the Hon. Jennifer Baptiste-Primus	Minister of Labour and Small Enterprise Development
5. Sen. the Hon. Clarence Rambharat	Minister of Agriculture, Land and Fisheries
6. Sen. Dr. Lester Henry	
7. Sen. the Hon. Dennis Moses	Minister of Foreign and CARICOM Affairs and Minister in the Ministry of National Security
8. Sen. Avinash Singh	Parliamentary Secretary in the Ministry of Agriculture, Land and Fisheries
9. Sen. Nadine Stewart	
10. Sen. Sarah Budhu	
11. Sen. W. Michael Coppin	
12. Sen. Foster Cummings	
13. Sen. Nigel De Freitas	Vice President of the Senate
14. Sen. Allyson Baksh	
15. Sen. Daniel Dookie	
16. Sen. Rohan Sinanan	Mr. Hafeez Ali vacated his seat and was replaced by Senator Sinanan wef June 14, 2016
<b>OPPOSITION</b>	
17. Sen. Wade Mark	Leader of Opposition Business
18. Sen. Gerald Hadeed	
19. Sen. Daniel Solomon	
20. Sen. Khadijah Ameen	
21. Sen. Wayne Sturge	
22. Sen. Rodger Samuel	
<b>INDEPENDENT</b>	
23. Sen. Dr. Dhanayshar Mahabir	Co-ordinator of the Independent Bench
24. Sen. H.R. Ian Roach	
25. Sen. David Small	
26. Sen. Taurel Shrikissoon	



NAME OF SENATOR	PORTFOLIO
27. Sen. Melissa Ramkissoon	
28. Sen. Sophia Chote, SC	
29. Sen. Stephen Creese	
30. Sen. Jennifer Raffoul	
31. Sen. Paul Richards	

**PERSONS APPOINTED TO SERVE ON A TEMPORARY BASIS**

Government	Opposition	Independent
1. Ms. Alisha Romano	1. Mr. Wayne Munro	1. Dr. Ayisha Edwards
2. Mr. Rohan Sinanan *	2. Mr. Gerald Ramdeen	2. Dr. Kriyaan Singh
3. Mr. Ronald Huggins		3. Mr. Justin Junkére
4. Mr. Imran Mohammed		4. Pastor Clive Dottin
5. Mr. Terrence Beepath		5. Mr. Albert Sydney
6. Mr. Wayne Inniss		
7. Ms. Ayanna Lewis		
8. Mr. Ndale Young		

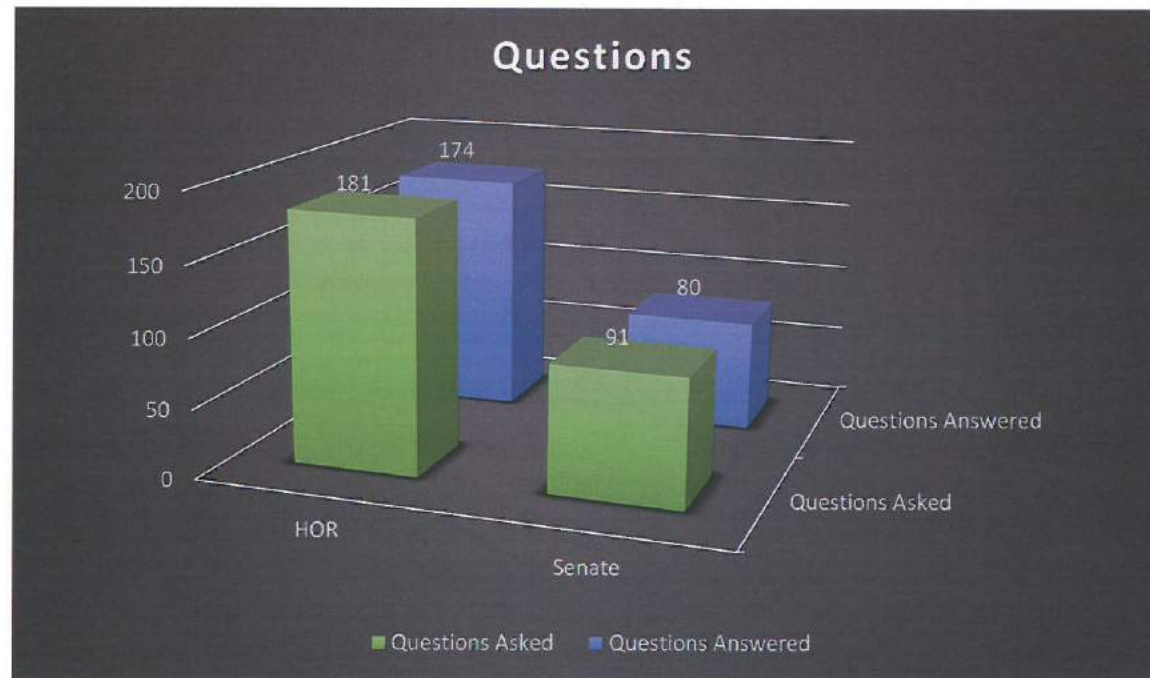
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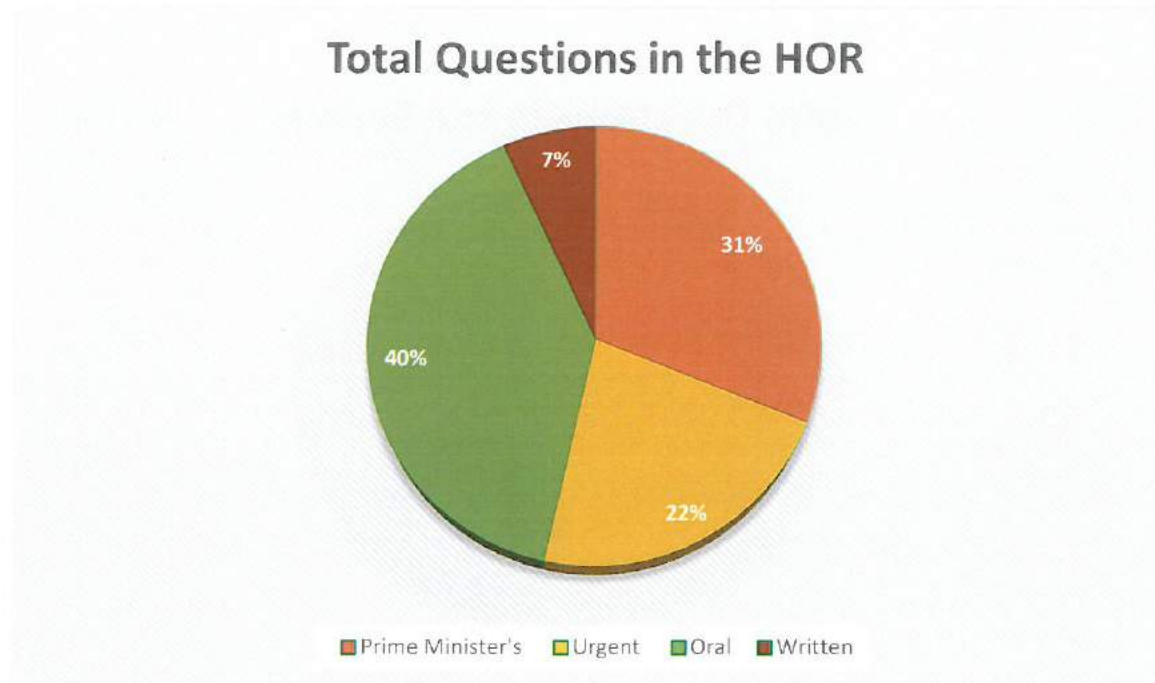
**APPENDIX II**  
**ACTS ASSENTED TO**

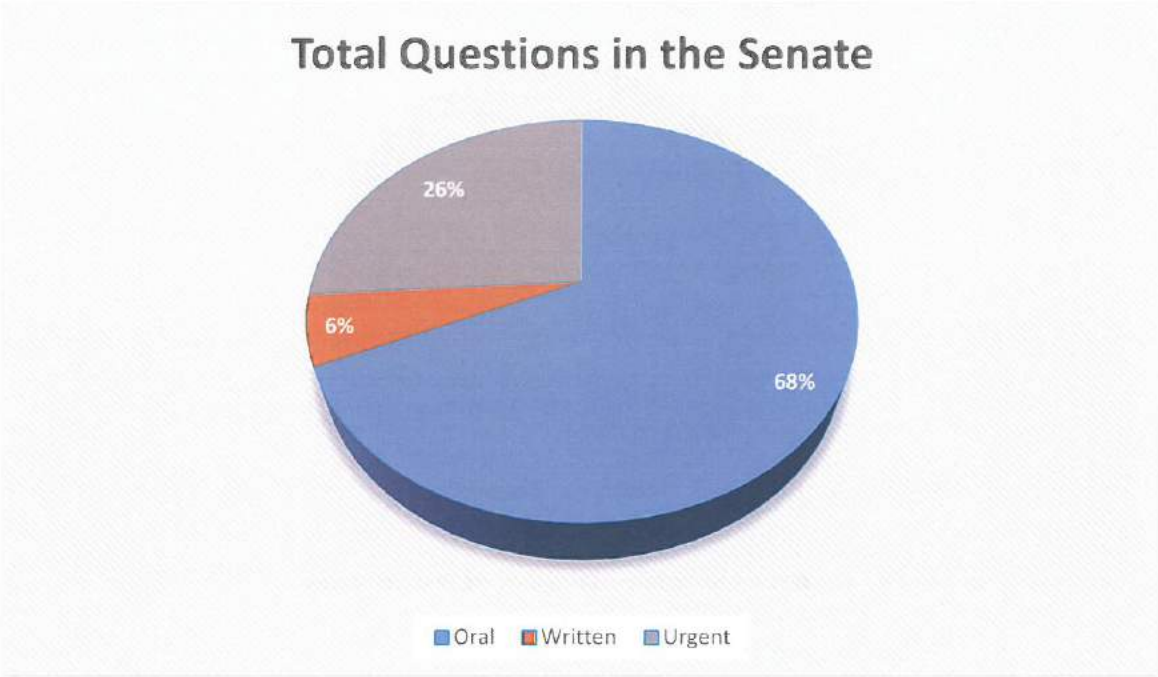
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10 of 2015	<a href="#">The Appropriation (Financial Year 2016) Act, 2015</a>	26.10.2015
1 of 2016	<a href="#">The Finance Act, 2016</a>	21.01.2016
2 of 2016	<a href="#">The Finance (Variation of Appropriation) (Financial Year 2015) Act, 2016</a>	26.01.2016
3 of 2016	<a href="#">The Finance (Variation of Appropriation) (Financial Year 2016) Act, 2016</a>	19.04.2016
4 of 2016	<a href="#">The Strategic Services Agency (Amendment) Act, 2016</a>	31.05.2016
5 of 2016	<a href="#">The Public Procurement and Disposal of Public Property Act, 2016</a>	17.06.2016
6 of 2016	<a href="#">The Family and Children Division Act, 2016</a>	05.07.2016
7 of 2016	<a href="#">The Finance (No. 2) Act, 2016</a>	20.07.2016

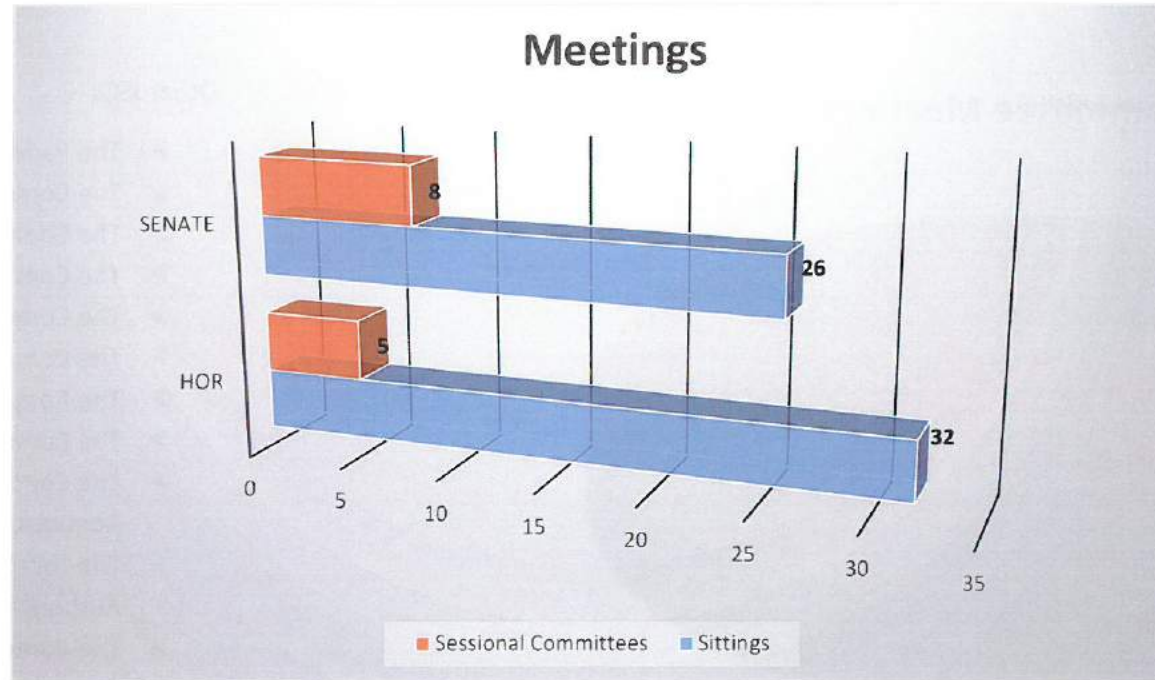
**APPENDIX III**  
**COMPARATIVE GRAPHS**

This graph illustrates the number of questions filed and answered in both houses during the First Session of the Eleventh Parliament.

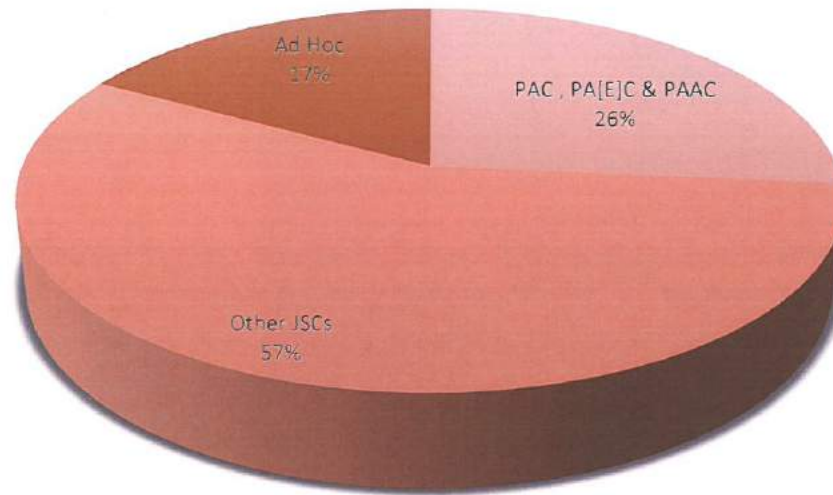








### Committee Meetings



#### Other JSCs –

- The Parliamentary Broadcasting Committee
- The Committee on Government Assurances
- The Committee on National Security
- The Committee on Energy Affairs
- The Committee on Foreign Affairs
- The Committee on Human Rights, Equality and Diversity
- The Committee on Finance and Legal Affairs
- The Committee on Land and Physical Infrastructure
- The Committee on Social Services and Public Administration
- The Local Authorities, Service Commissions and Statutory Authorities Committee
- The Committee on State Enterprises

**APPENDIX IV****POINTS OF INTEREST**

- ❖ Death of Patrick Manning – The Parliament has noted the death of Mr. Patrick Augustus Mervyn Manning who at the time of his retirement from active politics in 2015 was the longest serving Member of Parliament. Mr. Manning who died on July 02, 2016 was a former leader of the People’s National Movement and he served 44 years in the Parliament (1971-2015) with four terms as Prime Minister of Trinidad and Tobago.
- ❖ Extraordinary Sitting – The Standing Orders provides that “If at any time when the House stands adjourned pursuant to its own order the Speaker is satisfied that there is urgent necessity for the House to meet upon a day earlier...” One such sitting of the House of Representatives was held on March 08, 2016.
- ❖ Legislative Agenda – The Government published its legislative agenda for the years 2015 to 2020 divided into short, medium and long term categories with a total of 108 proposed bills.
- ❖ Procedural Bulletin – Procedural Bulletin No. 1 on Use of Electronic Devices in the Chamber and its precincts was issued in the HOR and the Senate.