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INTRODUCTION

This Report outlines the Business conducted by the Parliament of Trinidad and Tobago during the Fourth Session of the Tenth Republican Parliament. This Session began on Friday August 02, 2013 by Proclamation of His Excellency (Legal Notice No. 90 of 2013) and was prorogued on Thursday July 31, 2014 by Proclamation of His Excellency (Legal Notice No. 251 of 2014).

BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (HOR)

SITTINGS

A total of three hundred and thirty (330) hours and fifty one (51) minutes were spent in the debating Chamber of the House of Representatives (HOR) for the 2013-2014 Session. The table below provides details of the sittings of the HOR.

Month and Year	No. of Sittings	No. of Hours
August 2013	1	2 hours 10 minutes
September 2013	7	75 hours 40 minutes
October 2013	0	n/a
November 2013	3	19 hours 27 minutes
December 2013	2	12 hours 26 minutes
January 2014	4	32 hours 29 minutes
February 2014	3	26 hours 13 minutes
March 2014	3	23 hours 25 minutes
April 2014	3	35 hours 13 minutes
May 2014	4	24 hours 06 minutes
June 2014	5	47 hours 06 minutes
July 2014	5	32 hours 36 minutes
Total	40	330 hours 51 minutes

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DETAILS OF SITTINGS

SITTING	PRESIDING OFFICER AT START OF SITTING	SITTING DATE	SITTING COMMENCED	SITTING ADJOURNED	DURATION OF SITTING
1 st	Speaker	Friday, August 02, 2013	1.30 p.m.	3.40 p.m.	02 hours 10 minutes
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2 nd	Deputy Speaker	Friday September 06, 2013	10.30 a.m.	3.16 a.m. (07.09.2013)	16 hours 46 minutes
3 rd	Speaker	Monday, September 09, 2013	1.30 p.m.	3.53 p.m.	02 hours 23 minutes
4 th	Speaker	Friday, September 13, 2013	10.00 a.m.	1.58 a.m. (14.09.2013)	15 hours 58 minutes
5 th	Deputy Speaker	Monday, September 16, 2013	10.00 a.m.	12.27 a.m. (17.09.2013)	14 hours 27 minutes
6 th	Speaker	Tuesday, September 17, 2013	10.30 a.m.	11.25 p.m.	12 hours 55 minutes
7 th	Deputy Speaker	Wednesday, September 18, 2013	10.00 a.m.	7.56 p.m.	09 hours 56 minutes
8 th	Speaker	Friday, September 27, 2013	1.30 p.m.	4.45 p.m.	03 hours 15 minutes
9 th	Deputy Speaker	Wednesday, November 13, 2013	1.30 p.m.	7.16 p.m.	05 hours 46 minutes
10 th	Speaker	Friday, November 22, 2013	1.30 p.m.	12.09 a.m. (23.11.2013)	10 hours 39 minutes
11 th	Speaker	Friday, November 29, 2013	1.30 p.m.	4.32 p.m.	03 hours 02 minutes
12 th	Speaker	Friday, December 06, 2013	1.30 p.m.	8.38 p.m.	07 hours 08 minutes
13 th	Speaker	Friday, December 13, 2013	1.30 p.m.	6.48 p.m.	05 hours 18 minutes
14 th	Speaker	Friday, January 10, 2014	1.30 p.m.	1.38 a.m. (11.01.2014)	12 hours 08 minutes
15 th	Deputy Speaker	Friday, January 17, 2014	1.30 p.m.	8.27 p.m.	06 hours 57 minutes
16 th	Deputy Speaker	Friday, January 24, 2014	1.30 p.m.	10.38 p.m.	09 hours 08 minutes
17 th	Speaker	Friday, January 31, 2014	1.30 p.m.	5.46 p.m.	04 hours 16 minutes
18 th	Speaker	Friday, February 07, 2014	1.30 p.m.	9.22 p.m.	07 hours 52 minutes

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SITTING	PRESIDING OFFICER AT START OF SITTING	SITTING DATE	SITTING COMMENCED	SITTING ADJOURNED	DURATION OF SITTING
19 th	Speaker	Friday, February 14, 2014	10.00 a.m.	9.47 p.m.	11 hours 47 minutes
20 th	Speaker	Friday, February 21, 2014	10.00 a.m.	4.34 p.m.	06 hours 34 minutes
21 st	Speaker	Friday, March 14, 2014	1.30 p.m.	12.51 a.m. (15.03.2014)	11 hours 21 minutes
22 nd	Speaker	Friday, March 21, 2014	1.30 p.m.	9.07 p.m.	07 hours 37 minutes
23 rd	Speaker	Friday, March 28, 2014	1.30 p.m.	5.57 p.m.	04 hours 27 minutes
24 th	Speaker	Friday, April 04, 2014	10.00 a.m.	3.28 a.m. (05.04.2014)	17 hours 28 minutes
25 th	Speaker	Friday, April 11, 2014	1.30 p.m.	9.26 p.m.	07 hours 56 minutes
26 th	Speaker	Friday, April 25, 2014	1.30 p.m.	5.51 p.m.	04 hours 21 minutes
27 th	Deputy Speaker	Friday, May 09, 2014	1.30 p.m.	9.30 p.m.	08 hours 00 minutes
28 th	Speaker	Friday, May 16, 2014	1.30 p.m.	7.36 p.m.	06 hours 06 minutes
29 th	Speaker	Friday, May 23, 2014	1.30 p.m.	6.06 p.m.	04 hours 36 minutes
30 th	Speaker	Wednesday, May 28, 2014	10.00 a.m.	3.24 p.m.	05 hours 24 minutes
31 st	Speaker	Friday, June 06, 2014	1.30 p.m.	10.34 p.m.	09 hours 04 minutes
32 nd	Speaker	Friday, June 13, 2014	10.00 a.m.	10.32 p.m.	11 hours 32 minutes
33 rd	Speaker	Monday, June 16, 2014	10.00 a.m.	4.46 p.m.	06 hours 46 minutes
34 th	Speaker	Wednesday, June 25, 2014	1.30 p.m.	6.15 a.m. (26.06.2014)	16 hours 45 minutes
35 th	Speaker	Friday, June 27, 2014	1.30 p.m.	4.29 p.m.	02 hours 59 minutes
36 th	Speaker	Friday, July 04, 2014	10.00 a.m.	7.32 p.m.	09 hours 32 minutes
37 th	Speaker	Friday, July 11, 2014	1.30 p.m.	8.48 p.m.	07 hours 18 minutes
38 th	Deputy Speaker	Friday, July 18, 2014	1.30 p.m.	10.16 p.m.	08 hours 46 minutes
39 th	Deputy Speaker	Friday, July 25, 2014	1.30 p.m.	5.28 p.m.	03 hours 58 minutes
40 th	Speaker	Monday, July 28, 2014	1.30 p.m.	4.32 p.m.	03 hours 02 minutes

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BILLS ORIGINATING IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

KEY

* CWH-Committee of the Whole House

*JSC-Joint Select Committee

* SSC-Special Select 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
13/2013	The Motor Vehicles Insurance (Third Party Risks)(Amendment) Bill, 2013	06.09.2013	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
14/2013	The Libel and Defamation (Amendment) Bill, 2013	06.09.2013	17.01.2014	CWH	24.01.2014	24.01.2014	18.02.2014	-	25.02.2014	-	-
15/2013	The Municipal Corporations (Amendment) Bill, 2013	06.09.2013	06.09.2013	CWH	07.09.2013	07.09.2013	11.09.2013	-	11.09.2013	-	-
16/2013	The Appropriation (Financial Year 2014) Bill, 2013	09.09.2013	13.09.2013	CWH	18.09.2013	18.09.2013	25.09.2013		27.09.2013		
17/2013	The Bail (Amendment) Bill, 2013	13.11.2013	06.12.2013	CWH	11.01.2014	11.01.2014	28.01.2014	07.02.2014	14.02.2014	-	-

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18/2013	The Judges Salaries and Pensions (Amendment) Bill, 2013	22.11.2013	13.06.2014	CWH	13.06.2014	13.06.2014	-	-	-	-	-
1/2014	The Dog Control (Amendment) Bill, 2014	10.01.2014	07.02.2014	CWH	14.02.2014	14.02.2014	19.03.2014	-	04.04.2014	02.06.2014	-
2/2014	The Nurses and Midwives Registration (Amendment) Bill, 2014	10.01.2014	07.02.2014	CWH	21.02.2014	21.02.2014	24.06.2014	18.07.2014	-	-	-
3/2014	The Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic (Amendment) Bill, 2014	21.02.2014	21.03.2014	CWH	16.06.2014	16.06.2014	16.07.2014	28.07.2014	-	-	-
4/2014	The Heritage and Stabilization Fund (Amendment) Bill, 2014	21.02.2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5/2014	The Cybercrime Bill, 2014	21.03.2014	13.06.2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6/2014	The Trinidad and Tobago Cyber Security Agency Bill, 2014	21.03.2014	13.06.2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7/2014	The Finance Bill, 2014	21.03.2014	04.04.2014	CWH	05.04.2014	05.04.2014	09.04.2014	16.05.2014	03.06.2014	-	-
8/2014	The Miscellaneous Provisions (Administration of Justice) Bill, 2014	28.03.2014	11.04.2014	CWH	16.06.2014	16.06.2014	16.07.2014	28.07.2014	-	-	-
9/2014	The Land Tenants (Security of Tenure) (Amendment) Bill, 2014	04.04.2014	09.05.2014	CWH	16.06.2014	16.06.2014	-	-	-	-	-
10/2014	The Miscellaneous Provisions (Prisons) Bill 2014	09.05.2014	13.06.2014	CWH	16.06.2014	16.06.2014	23.07.2014	28.07.2014	-	-	-

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11/2014	The Indictable Offences (Committal Proceedings) Bill, 2014	09.05.2014	06.06.2014	CWH	06.06.2014	06.06.2014	23.07.2014	28.07.2014	-	-	-
12/2014	The Purchase of Certain Rights (HCU) Bill, 2014	23.05.2014	28.05.2014	CWH	16.06.2014	16.06.2014	02.07.2014	-	07.08.2014	-	-
13/2014	The Miscellaneous Provisions (Proceeds of Crime, Anti-Terrorism, Financial Intelligence Unit of Trinidad And Tobago) Bill, 2014	23.05.2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
14/2014	The Miscellaneous Amendments (Registration of Deeds and Real Property) Bill, 2014	23.05.2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15/2014	The Retiring Allowances (Legislative Service) (Amendment) Bill, 2014.	06.06.2014	13.06.2014	CWH	13.06.2014	13.06.2014	-	-	-	-	-
16/2014	The Finance (Supplementation and Variation of Appropriation) (Financial Year 2014) Bill, 2014	25.06.2014	26.06.2014	-	-	26.06.2014	01.07.2014	-	01.07.2014	-	-
17/2014	The Precursor Chemicals Bill, 2014	25.06.2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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QUESTIONS

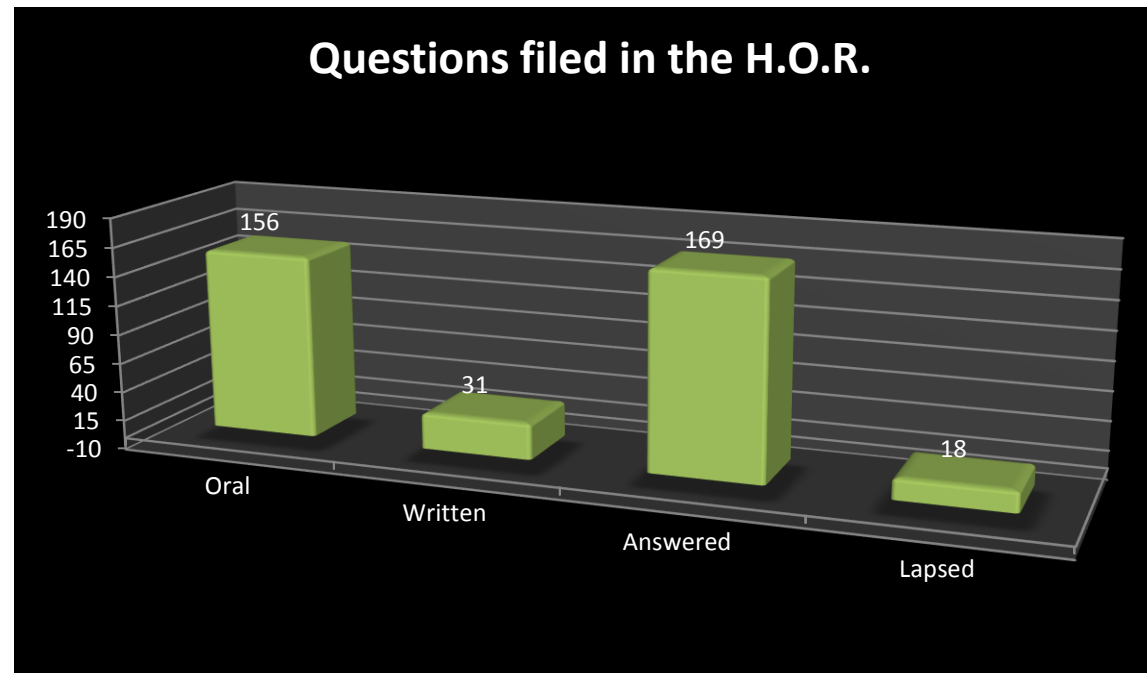
QUESTION NO.	FORM OF ANSWER	DATE ANSWERED	NO. OF QUESTIONS ANSWERED
1	Oral	September 27, 2013	1
10,11,12	Oral	November 13, 2013	3
5,6,7,13,14,15	Oral	November 22, 2013	6
2,3,4,16,17,18	Oral	November 29, 2013	6
8	Oral	December 06, 2013	1
9,19,20,48	Oral	January 10, 2014	4
21,22,24,25,26,30,31,46,51	Oral	January 17, 2014	9
28,29,32,33,35,45,49	Oral	January 24, 2014	7
34,36,38,39,47,50,52,53	Oral	January 31, 2014	8
37	Oral	February 07, 2014	1
43,44	Oral	February 14, 2014	2
40,41,42	Oral	February 21, 2014	4
27	Written		
59,60,66,105,106,107	Oral	March 14, 2014	6
64,70,71,77,78	Oral	March 21, 2014	13
79,80,81,83,114,116			
23,72	Written		
67,68,74,75	Oral	March 28, 2014	10
76,102,103,108			
118,119	Written		
65,69,73,85,86,87	Oral	April 04, 2014	14
104,109,110,111,112,113			
62,63	Written		
82,84,89,90,91,92	Oral	April 11, 2014	6
93,94	Oral	April 25, 2014	2

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QUESTION NO.	FORM OF ANSWER	DATE ANSWERED	NO. OF QUESTIONS ANSWERED
88,95,97,98,121,124,125 54,55,58,100,117 126,127 57	Oral Written	May 09, 2014	12
101,123 99,115	Oral Written	May 16, 2014	3
128 61,122	Oral Written	May 23, 2014	4
131,132,133	Oral	June 06, 2014	3
137,139,140,143,145,146 56	Oral Written	June 13, 2014	3
144,151,152,153	Oral	June 16, 2014	7
154,155	Oral	June 25, 2014	4
134,135,138,141	Oral	June 27, 2014	2
142,156,157,163,164	Oral	July 04, 2014	9
96,136,147,149,162	Oral	July 11, 2014	5
158,160,161,168,172	Oral	July 18, 2014	5
165,174,175,176 177,179,181	Oral	July 25, 2014	7
178,180	Oral	July 28, 2014	2
TOTAL			169

Total number of Questions filed for the Session was one hundred and eighty-seven (187). One hundred and fifty-six (156) were for oral answer and thirty-one (31) were due for a written response. A total of one hundred and sixty-nine (169) of the questions filed were answered.

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GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

No.	Short Title	MOVED BY	First Debated	APPROVED/NOT APPROVED
1.	Approve the Draft of the Elections and Boundaries Commission (Local Government and House of Assembly) Order, 2013	<i>Minister of Local Government</i>	September 06, 2013	Approved
2.	Approve the Notification of the Nomination of the President - Members of the Police Service Commission	<i>Leader of the House</i>	November 13, 2013	Approved
3.	Approve the Excise Duty (Compressed Natural Gas) Order, 2013	<i>Minister of Finance and the Economy</i>	November 22, 2013	Approved
4.	Increase in Borrowing - Treasury Notes Act	<i>Minister of Finance and the Economy</i>	November 22, 2013	Approved
5.	Increase in Borrowing - Treasury Bills Act	<i>Minister of Finance and the Economy</i>	November 22, 2013	Approved
6.	Adopt the First Report of the Standing Orders Committee	<i>Leader of the House</i>	February 21, 2014	Approved
7.	Exemption from Import Duties of Customs	<i>Minister of Trade, Industry and Investment</i>	January 17, 2014	Approved
8.	Adopt the 98th Report of the Salaries Review Commission	<i>Leader of the House</i>	February 21, 2014	Approved
9.	Referral to JSC of a Legislative Proposal - The Draft Houses of Parliament Service Authority Bill, 2014	<i>Leader of the House</i>	March 21, 2014	Approved
10.	Approve the notification of the President, nominating Prof. Ramesh Deosaran to serve as a member of the Police Service Commission.	<i>Leader of the House</i>	May 16, 2014	Approved
11.	Adopt the First Report (2013-2014 Session) of the Finance Committee of the House of Representatives	<i>Minister of Finance and the Economy</i>	June 25, 2014	Approved
12.	Money Bills not to be presented to the President for assent in accordance with section 64(1) of the Constitution.	<i>Leader of the House</i>	July 28, 2014	Approved

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No.	Short Title	MOVED BY	First Debated	APPROVED/NOT APPROVED
13.	Agree with Senate amendments to Miscellaneous Provisions (Administration of Justice) Bill, 2014, the Indictable Offences (Committal Proceedings) Bill, 2014 and the Miscellaneous Provisions (Prisons) Bill, 2014.	<i>Attorney General</i>	July 28, 2014	Approved
14.	Agree with Senate amendments to the Miscellaneous Provisions (Prisons) Bill, 2014	<i>Attorney General</i>	July 28, 2014	Approved

PRIVATE MOTIONS

NO.	<u>SHORT TITLE</u>	MOVED BY	DEBATE COMMENCED	DEBATE CONCLUDED	APPROVED/NOT APPROVED
1.	Mass Transit System	Diego Martin North/East		-	
2.	Unacceptable Crime Level	Port of Spain South	January 31, 2014		
3.	Caribbean Court of Justice	Diego Martin West			
4.	SNC Lavalin Hospital Project	Diego Martin North /East	September 27, 2013	-	
5.	State's Public Debt	Port of Spain South			
6.	Approval for Construction of new Point Fortin Hospital	Point Fortin	November 29, 2013		
7.	Social Assistance Programmes	Diego Martin Central			
8.	Waste Water Treatment Plant	Leader of the Opposition	March 28, 2014		
9.	Oil Spill in La Brea	La Brea			
10.	Censure the Minister of Sport re Life Sport Programme	Diego Martin North/ East	June 27, 2014		

COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SESSIONAL SELECT COMMITTEES

Committees appointed for each Session are the Privileges Committee, House Committee, Standing Orders Committee and the Regulations Committee. The Speaker of the House appointed Members to these Committees on **09, September 2013**. Following are the details of matters considered by each Committee for the Session.

Standing Orders Committee

The Standing Orders Committee is established by Standing Order 71 and 73 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.” This Committee held one *in camera* meeting on December 09, 2013.

The [First Report of the Standing Orders Committee](#) was presented to the House of Representatives on December 13, 2013.

Membership of the Standing Orders Committee

Mr. Wade Mark, MP (Chairman)
Dr. Delmon Baker, MP
Mr. Colm Imbert, MP
Mr. Collin Partap, MP
Dr. Roodal Moonilal, MP
Ms. Marlene McDonald, MP
Mr. Jairam Seemungal, MP

House Committee

The House Committee is established by Standing Order 71 and 74 of the House of Representatives which states, “The House Committee shall have the duty of considering and advising the Speaker on all 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.” Two *in camera meetings* were held by this committee for the session. The first on December 16, 2013 and the other on January 10, 2014.

Membership of the House Committee

1. Dr. Roodal Moonilal, MP (Chairman)

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2. Mr. Anil Roberts, MP
3. Mrs. Vernella Alleyne-Toppin, MP
4. Ms. Nela Khan, MP
5. Mr. Colm Imbert, MP
6. Mr. Nileung Hypolite, MP

One report was submitted during the Fourth Session, [First Report of the House Committee](#). The report was presented to the House of Representatives on February 14, 2014.

Privileges Committee

The Privileges Committee is established by Standing Order 71 and 75 of the House of Representatives to consider and report on matters referred to it which appears to affect the powers or Privileges of the House. There were no matters referred to the Privileges Committee for the Fourth Session of the Tenth Parliament. Its composition was as follows:

Membership of the Privileges Committee:-

1. Mr. Wade Mark, MP (Chairman)
2. Ms. Donna Cox, MP
3. Mrs. Paula Gopee-Scoon, MP
4. Dr. Tim Gopeesingh, MP
5. Mr. Colm Imbert, MP
6. Dr. Roodal Moonilal, MP
7. Mr. Prakash Ramadhar, MP
8. Mr. Rodger Samuel, MP
9. Mr. Chandresh Sharma, MP

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The Regulations Committee

The Regulations Committee is established by Standing Order 71 and 76 of the House of Representatives which states that, “The Regulations Committee shall have the duty of considering all such regulations (as defined by the Interpretation Ordinance for the time being in force) as under the authority of any Law are to be laid before the House, and to bring to the special attention of the House any regulation--

- (a) which involves the expenditure of public moneys or 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 effect although the law under which it was made does not in terms give the Minister 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,
- (2) The Regulations Committee shall not consider or report on the merits or policy of any regulations.

There were no meetings of the Committee for the session.

Membership of the Regulations Committee

1. Mr. Wade Mark, MP (Chairman)
2. Mr. Rudranath Indarsingh, MP
3. Mr. Nizam Baksh, MP
4. Ms. Ramona Ramdial, MP
5. Dr. Amery Browne, MP
6. Ms. Alicia Hospedales, MP

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SPECIAL SELECT COMMITTEES

Standing Order 77 (1) of the HOR states that, “A Select Committee other than a Sessional Select Committee shall be known as a Special Select Committee. It 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.

77 (2) The quorum of a Special Select Committee shall be such as shall be Specified in the order of the House or, in the absence of such Order, 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.

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April 2014	3	35 hours 13 minutes
May 2014	4	27 hours 20 minutes
June 2014	4	38 hours 19 minutes
July 2014	8	73 hours 52 minutes
Total	37	318 hours 05minutes

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DETAILS OF SITTINGS

SITTING	PRESIDING OFFICER AT START	SITTING DATE	SITTING COMMENCED	SITTING ADJOURNED	DURATION OF SITTING
1 st	President	Friday, August 02, 2013	1.30 p.m.	3.38 p.m.	02 hours 08 minutes
2 nd	President	Tuesday, September 10, 2013	1.30 p.m.	3.14 a.m. (11.09.2013)	13 hours 44 minutes
3 rd	President	Friday, September 20, 2013	10.30 a.m.	09.04 p.m.	10 hours 34 minutes
4 th	President	Monday, September 23, 2013	10.30 a.m.	8.31 p.m.	10 hours 01 minutes
5 th	President	Wednesday, September 25, 2013	10.00 a.m.	11.11 p.m.	13 hours 11 minutes
6 th	President	Tuesday, November 19, 2013	1.30 p.m.	4.48 p.m.	03 hours 18 minutes
7 th	President	Tuesday, November 26, 2013	1.30 p.m.	4.35 p.m.	03 hours 05 minutes
8 th	President	Tuesday, December 03, 2013	1.30 p.m.	12.07 a.m. (04.12.2013)	10 hours 37 minutes
9 th	President	Tuesday, December 10, 2013	1.30 p.m.	10.28 p.m.	08 hours 58 minutes
10 th	President	Tuesday, January 14, 2014	1.30 p.m.	5.14 p.m.	03 hours 44 minutes
11 th	Vice President	Tuesday, January 21, 2014	1.30 p.m.	04.38 a.m. (22.01.2014)	15 hours 08 minutes
12 th	Vice President	Tuesday, January 28, 2014	1.30 p.m.	6.58 p.m.	05 hours 28 minutes
13 th	President	Tuesday, February 4, 2014	1.30 p.m.	4.19 p.m.	02 hours 49 minutes
14 th	President	Tuesday, February 11, 2014	1.30 p.m.	7.36 p.m.	06 hours 06 minutes
15 th	Vice President (President in Chair @ 2.45 p.m.)	Tuesday, February 18, 2014	1.30 p.m.	11.17 p.m.	09 hours 47 minutes
16 th	President	Tuesday, February 25, 2014	1.30 p.m.	4.30 p.m.	03 hours 00 minutes
17 th	President	Tuesday, March 11, 2014	1.30 p.m.	9.20 p.m.	07 hours 50 minutes
18 th	President	Tuesday, March 18, 2014	1.30 p.m.	3.23 a.m. (19.03.2014)	13 hours 53 minutes
19 th	President	Wednesday, April 02, 2014	10.00 a.m.	4.32 p.m.	06 hours 32 minutes

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20 th	President	Tuesday, April 08, 2014	10.00 a.m.	1.45 a.m. (09.04.2014)	15 hours 45 minutes
21 st	President	Tuesday, April 15, 2014	10.00 a.m.	10.56 p.m.	12 hours 56 minutes
22 nd	President	Tuesday, May 06, 2014	1.30 p.m.	4.29 p.m.	02 hours 59 minutes
23 rd	President	Tuesday, May 13, 2014	1.30 p.m.	8.29 p.m.	06 hours 59 minutes
24 th	President	Tuesday, May 20, 2014	1.30 p.m.	7.56 p.m.	06 hours 26 minutes
25 th	President	Tuesday, May 27, 2014	11.00 a.m.	9.56 p.m.	10 hours 56 minutes
26 th	President	Tuesday, June 10, 2014	1.30 p.m.	11.24 p.m.	09 hours 54 minutes
27 th	President	Wednesday, June 11, 2014	11.30 a.m.	6.30 p.m.	07 hours 00 minutes
28 th	President	Tuesday, June 17, 2014	11.30 a.m.	8.24 p.m.	08 hours 54 minutes
29 th	Vice-President	Tuesday June 24, 2014	11.30 a.m.	12.01 a.m.	12 hours 31 minutes
30 th	Vice-President	Tuesday, July 01, 2014	10.30 a.m.	11.53 p.m.	13 hours 23 minutes
31 st	Vice-President	Wednesday, July 02, 2014	1.30 p.m.	8.53 p.m.	07 hours 23 minutes
32 nd	President	Tuesday, July 08, 2014	10.30 a.m.	9.03 p.m.	10 hours 33 minutes
33 rd	President	Wednesday, July 09, 2014	1.30 p.m.	8.27 p.m.	06 hours 57 minutes
34 th	President	Tuesday, July 15, 2014	10.30 a.m.	9.36 p.m.	11 hours 06 minutes
35 th	President	Wednesday, July 16, 2014	1.30 p.m.	8.59 p.m.	07 hours 29 minutes
36 th	Vice-President	Tuesday, July 22, 2014	1.30 p.m.	10.59 p.m.	09 hours 29 minutes
37 th	Vice-President	Wednesday, July 23, 2014	10.30 a.m.	6.02 p.m.	07 hours 32 minutes

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BILLS ORIGINATING IN THE SENATE

This table provides the details of Bills introduced in the Senate.

KEY

* CWH-Committee of the Whole House

*JSC-Joint Select Committee

* SSC-Special Select Committee

BILL NO.	BILL TITLE	FIRST READING	SECOND READING	COMMITTED TO	REPORTED BY COMMITTEE	THIRD READING	DATE PASSED IN HOUSE	ASSENT	PROCLAMATION	COMMENCEMENT
3/2013	The Planning and Facilitation of Development Bill, 2013	23.09.2013	14.01.2014	SSC & CWH	13.05.2014	24.06.2014	28.07.2014	-	-	-
4/2013	The Urban and Regional Planning Profession Bill, 2013.	23.09.2013	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5/2013	The Insurance (No.2) Bill, 2013	19.11.2013	19.11.2013	JSC	22.07.2014	-	-	-	-	-
6/2013	The Securities (Amendment) Bill, 2013	14.01.2014	11.03.2014	SSC	01.07.2014	09.07.2014	18.07.2014	-	-	-
1/2014	The Miscellaneous Provisions (Licensing Committee) Bill, 2014	21.01.2014	11.02.2014	CWH	-	11.02.2014	16.05.2014	21.07.2014	-	-
2/2014	The Public Procurement and Disposal of Public Property Bill, 2014	02.04.2014	20.05.2014	CWH	11.06.2014	11.06.2014	-	-	-	-
3/2014	The Beauty Services Association of Trinidad & Tobago Incorporation Bill, 2014	27.05.2014	10.06.2014	SSC	23.07.2014	-	-	-	-	-

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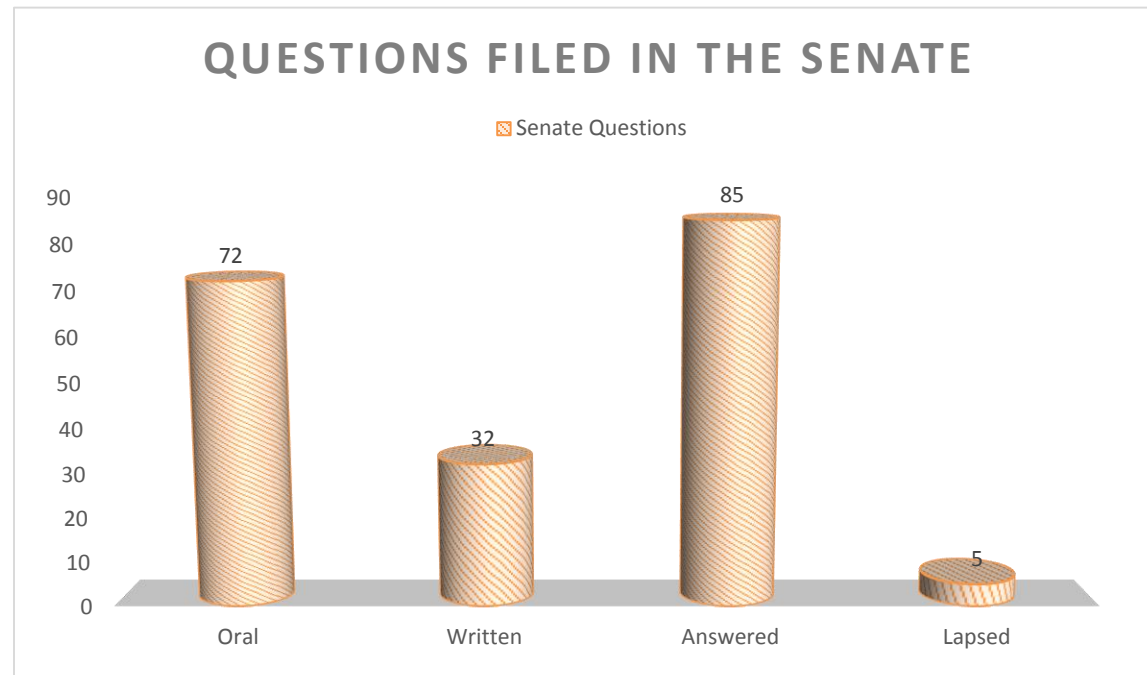
QUESTIONS

QUESTION NO.	FORM OF ANSWER	DATE ANSWERED	NO. OF QUESTIONS ANSWERED
5	Oral	November 19, 2013	5
18, 19, 21, 22	Written		
16,17,27,28,29	Oral	November 26, 2013	9
23,24,25,26	Written		
6,9,14,15,31	Oral	December 03, 2013	11
1,2,3,4,30,38	Written		
41	Written	January 14, 2014	1
42,45,46,47,48	Oral	January 28, 2014	5
49	Oral	February 04, 2014	2
44	Written		
53	Oral	February 25, 2014	1
50,51,56	Oral	March 11, 2014	3
59,60,61	Oral	March 18, 2014	3
52,57,58,88,89,90	Oral	April 02, 2014	13
92,93,94,96,97,98,99			
65,66,67	Oral	April 08, 2014	3
68,70	Oral	April 15, 2014	4
20,43	Written		
82,83,84,85	Oral	May 06, 2014	4
72,73	Oral	May 13, 2014	2
62,63,64	Oral	May 20, 2014	3
74,79,101	Oral	May 27, 2014	3
71,75,76,77,80,86	Oral	June 10, 2014	6
81,103	Oral	June 24, 2014	2
69,100,102	Oral	July 08, 2014	3
78	Oral	July 15,2014	1
87	Oral	July 22, 2014	1
TOTAL			85

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N.B. A total of fourteen (14) questions filed by Senators Penelope Beckles and Fitzgerald Hinds were removed consequent on the declaration of these seats as vacant at midnight on December 03, 2013.

A total of one hundred and four (104) questions were filed; seventy-two (72) were for oral answer and thirty-two (32) were for written answer. A total of eighty-five (85) questions were answered.



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GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

No.	Short Title	MOVED BY	First Debated	APPROVED/NOT APPROVED
1.	Adopt of the Report of the Standing Orders Committee	<i>Senator Helen Drayton</i>	July 23, 2014	Approved

PRIVATE MOTIONS

NO.	SHORT TITLE	MOTION MOVED BY	DEBATED	APPROVED/NOT APPROVED
1.	Election Campaign Financing	Senator Helen Drayton	November 26, 2013 February 04, 2014 February 25, 2014 April 02, 2014 May 06, 2014 June 17, 2014	Approved
2.	A Comprehensive Review of the system of Regional Health Authorities	Senator Dr. Victor Wheeler	-	Lapsed

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COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE

SESSIONAL SELECT COMMITTEES

Committees appointed for each Session are the Standing Orders Committee, House Committee, Committee of Privileges and the Statutory Instruments Committee. The President appointed Members to these Committees on **23rd September, 2013**. Following are the details of matters considered by each Committee for the Session.

Standing Orders Committee

The Standing Orders Committee is established by Standing Order 64 and 65 of the Senate. **There were three meetings of the Committee for the Session;** April 01, 2014, May 06, 2014 and June 10, 2014. The [Report of the Standing Orders Committee of the Senate](#) was presented to the Senate on July 16, 2014.

Membership of the Standing Orders Committee

Mr. Timothy Hamel-Smith (Chairman)
Mr. Anand Ramlogan, S.C.
Mr. Devant Maharaj
Mr. Faris Al-Rawi *
Mrs. Helen Drayton

*(Mr. Al-Rawi replaced Mr. Terrence Deyalsingh with effect from December 10, 2013)

House Committee

The House Committee is established by Standing Order 64 and 66 of the Senate. **There were no meetings of this Committee for the Session.**

Membership of the House Committee

Mr. Ganga Singh (Chairman)
Ms. Marlene Coudray
Mr. Kevin Ramnarine
Dr. Rolph Balgobin
Mrs. Camille Robinson-Regis *

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*(Mrs. Robinson-Regis replaced Mr. Fitzgerald Hinds w.e.f from December 10, 2013)

Committee of Privileges

The Privileges Committee is established by Standing Order 64 and 67 of the Senate. **There were no meetings of this Committee for the Session.**

Membership of the Committee of Privileges

Mr. Timothy Hamel-Smith (Chairman)
Mr. Devant Maharaj
Mr. Vasant Bharath
Mrs. Camille Robinson-Regis *
Mr. Subhas Ramkhelawan
Dr. Dhanayshar Mahabir *

*(Senator Robinson-Regis replaced Ms. Penelope Beckles with effect from December 10th, 2013)

*(Senator Dr. Mahabir replaced Mr. Subhas Ramkhelawan with effect from May 6th, 2014)

Statutory Instruments Committee

The Statutory Instruments Committee is established by Standing Order 64 and 68 of the Senate.

Membership of the Statutory Instruments Committee

Mr. Timothy Hamel-Smith (Chairman)
Mrs. Raziah Ahmed
Mr. Emmanuel George
Ms. Shamfa Cudjoe
Mr. Elton Prescott, S.C.

(Senator Cudjoe replaced Mrs. Penelope Beckles w.e.f December 10th, 2014)

The following pieces of subsidiary legislation were considered by the Statutory Instruments Committee of the Senate.

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NO.	TITLE	DATE PUBLISHED	DATE LAID	COMMENTS
1.	Marriage (Amendment) Order, 2013	August 05, 2013	HOR – 06.09.2013 SEN – 10.09.2013	Legislation did not contain anything to which special attention of the Senate should be drawn.
2.	Criminal Procedure Rules 2013	July 03, 2013	HOR – 06.09.2013 SEN – 09.07.2013	Legislation did not contain anything to which special attention of the Senate should be drawn.
3.	Tobacco Control Regulations, 2013	January 10, 2014	HOR – 27.09.2013 SEN – 23.09.2013	Concerns of the Committee were addressed via explanations received from the relevant technocrats. No issue needed to be drawn to the special attention of the Senate.
4.	Animals (Importation) Control (Amendment) Regulations, 2013	September 19, 2013	HOR – 13.11.2013 SEN – 19.11.2013	Legislation did not contain anything to which special attention of the Senate should be drawn.
5.	The Trinidad and Tobago Housing Development Corporation (Vesting) (Amendment to the first Schedule) Order, 2013	October 03, 2013	HOR – 13.11.2013 SEN – 19.11.2013	Legislation did not contain anything to which special attention of the Senate should be drawn.
6.	Value Added Tax (Amendment to Schedule 2) Order, 2013	May 29, 2013	HOR – 10.01.2014 SEN – 14.01.2014	Legislation did not contain anything to which special attention of the Senate should be drawn.
7.	Administration of Justice (Electronic Monitoring)(Approved Devices) Order, 2013	January 02, 2014	HOR – 24.01.2014 SEN – 21.01.2014	Legislation did not contain anything to which special attention of the Senate should be drawn.
8.	Value Added Tax (Amendment to Schedule 2)(No. 3) Order, 2013	August 30, 2013	HOR – 13.09.2013 SEN – 20.09.2013	Legislation did not contain anything to which special attention of the Senate should be drawn.
9.	Value Added Tax (Amendment to Schedule 1) Order, 2013	August 30, 2013	HOR – 13.09.2013 SEN – 20.09.2013	Legislation did not contain anything to which special attention of the Senate should be drawn.
10.	Value Added Tax (Amendment to Schedule 2)(No. 2) Order, 2013	August 30, 2013	HOR – 13.09.2013 SEN – 20.09.2013	Legislation did not contain anything to which special attention of the Senate should be drawn.
11.	Value Added Tax (Amendment to Schedule 2)(No. 4) Order, 2013	December 19, 2013	HOR – 10.01.2014 SEN – 14.01.2014	Legislation did not contain anything to which special attention of the Senate should be drawn.
12.	Excise Duty (Compressed Natural Gas) Order, 2013	October 08, 2013	HOR – 13.11.2013 SEN – 19.11.2014	Legislation did not contain anything to which special attention of the Senate should be drawn.

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NO.	TITLE	DATE PUBLISHED	DATE LAID	COMMENTS
13.	The Legal Aid and Advice (Amendment to Part III of the First Schedule) Order, 2013.	August 30, 2013	HOR – 13.11.2013 SEN – 19.11.2013	Legislation did not contain anything to which special attention of the Senate should be drawn.
14.	Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic (Amendment) Order, 2014	February 13, 2014	HOR – 14.03.2014 SEN – 18.03.2014	Legislation did not contain anything to which special attention of the Senate should be drawn.
15.	The Animals (Importation) Control (Amendment) Regulations, 2014	February 27, 2014	HOR - 21.03.2014 SEN – 18.03.2014	Legislation did not contain anything to which special attention of the Senate should be drawn.
16.	The Bankruptcy and Insolvency Regulations, 2014	May 27, 2014	HOR – 25.06.2014 SEN – 01.07.2014	Legislation did not contain anything to which special attention of the Senate should be drawn.
17.	The Petroleum (Royalties)(Onshore Crude Oil)(Revocation) Regulations, 2014	June 5, 2014	HOR – 16.06.2014 SEN - 01.07.2014	Legislation did not contain anything to which special attention of the Senate should be drawn.

SPECIAL SELECT COMMITTEES

Standing Order 69 (1) states that,

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“A Select Committee other than a Sessional Select Committee shall be known as a Special Select Committee. It shall be appointed by order of the Senate which shall specify the terms of reference of the Committee and shall consist of such Senators and as many 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.”

69 (2) provides that “the quorum of a Special Select Committee shall be such as shall be specified in the order of the Senate or, in the absence of such Order, by the President.”

There were four such Committees appointed for this session to address various bills.

PRIVATE BILLS

Bill/Committee	Membership	Meetings (In-Camera)	Reports
<u>Special Select Committee of the Senate - The Planning and Facilitation of Development Bill, 2013</u>	Dr. Bhoendradatt Tewarie (Chairman) Ms. Marlene Coudray Mr. Ganga Singh Mr. Faris Al-Rawi Dr. Rolph Balgobin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • January 21, 2014 – 11.30 am • January 24, 2014 – 1.30 am • January 29, 2014 – 1.00 pm • February 04, 2014 – 5.00 pm • February 11, 2014 – 9.30 am • February 17, 2014 – 1.30 pm • March 07, 2014 – 9.30 am • March 20, 2014 – 3.00 pm • March 25, 2014 – 1.30 pm • April 09, 2014 – 1.30 pm • April 16, 2014 – 2.00 pm • May 06, 2014 – 5.00 pm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>First Interim Report of the Special Select Committee on the Planning and Facilitation of Development Bill, 2013</u> • <u>Second Interim Report of the Special Select Committee on the Planning and Facilitation of Development Bill, 2013</u> • <u>Third Interim Report of the Special Select Committee on the Planning and Facilitation of Development Bill, 2013</u> • <u>Report of the Special Select Committee on the Planning and Facilitation of Development Bill, 2013</u>
<u>Special Select Committee of the Senate - The Securities (Amendment) Bill, 2013</u>	Mr. Larry Howai (Chairman) Mr. Anand Ramlogan, SC Mr. Vasant Bharath Mr. Kevin Ramnarine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • March 14, 2014 – 1.00 pm • March 19, 2014 – 2.30 pm • April 25, 2014 – 10.00 am • May 09, 2014 – 10.00 am • May 16, 2014 – 10.00 am 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Interim Report of the Special Select Committee on the Securities (Amendment) Bill, 2013</u> • <u>2nd Report of the Special Select Committee on the Securities (Amendment) Bill, 2013</u>

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Bill/Committee	Membership	Meetings (In-Camera)	Reports
	Mr. Gerald Hadeed Mr. Faris Al-Rawi Dr. Lester Henry Mrs. Helen Drayton Mr. Elton Prescott, SC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 23, 2014 – 10.00 am • June 03, 2014 – 10.00 am • June 13, 2014 – 10.00 am 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3rd Report of the Special Select Committee on the Securities (Amendment) Bill, 2013 • 4th Report of the Special Select Committee on the Securities (Amendment) Bill, 2013 • Final Report of the Special Select Committee on the Securities (Amendment) Bill, 2013
<u>Special Select Committee of the Senate - The Beauty Services Association of Trinidad and Tobago (Incorporation) Bill, 2014</u>	Mr. Fazal Karim (Chairman) Mrs. Raziah Ahmed Mr. Embau Moheni Mrs. Diane Baldeo-Chadeesingh Mr. Anthony Vieira	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • June 24, 2014 – 9.00 am • July 15, 2014 – 9.00 am • July 22, 2014 – 11.30 am 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report of the Special Select Committee on the Beauty Services Association of Trinidad and Tobago (Incorporation) Bill, 2014
<u>Special Select Committee of the Senate - Judges Salaries and Pensions, Retiring Allowances (Legislative Service)(Amendment) Bills</u>	Mr. Ganga Singh (Chairman) Mr. Kevin Ramnarine Mr. Fazal Karim Mr. Emmanuel George Ms. Marlene Coudray Mr. Faris Al-Rawi Mrs. Camille Robinson-Regis Dr. Dhanayshar Mahabir Mr. David Small	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • July 22, 2014 – 10.00 am 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final Report of the Special Select Committee on the Judges Salaries and Pensions (Amendment) Bill, 2014 and the Retiring Allowances (Legislative Service) (Amendment) Bill, 2014

BUSINESS OF COMMITTEES

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 71B (3) and 79B (3) 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. Three such Committees were established for this Tenth (10th) Parliament.

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ACTIVITIES- MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS AND SERVICE COMMISSIONS (WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE JUDICIAL AND LEGAL SERVICE COMMISSION)

Committee	Membership	Total Meetings Attended	Reports	Date Laid
<p><u>Joint Select Committee - Municipal Corporations and Service Commissions</u></p> <p>This Committee held a total of eight (8) meetings for the Session.</p>	Mr. Anthony Vieira (Chairman)	7	Tenth Report of the Joint Select Committee (JSC) on the Administration of the Port of Spain City Corporation	HOR – 13.11.2013
	Mr. H.R. Ian Roach	3		SEN – 19.11.2013
	Mr. Chandresh Sharma, MP	5		
	Ms. Shamfa Cudjoe	6		
	Mr. Prakash Ramadhar, MP	1	Eleventh Report of the JSC on a re-evaluation of the efficiency and effectiveness of the Public Service Commission	HOR – 13.11.2013
	Ms. Joanne Thomas, MP	7		SEN – 19.11.2013
	Mrs. Vernella Alleyne-Toppin, MP	3		
	Mr. Rodger Samuel, MP	6		
	Ms. Marlene McDonald, MP	0	Twelfth Report of the JSC on a re-evaluation of the efficiency and effectiveness of the Statutory Authorities' Service Commission	HOR – 13.12.2013
	Mr. Devant Maharaj	3		SEN – 14.01.2014
	Ms. Marlene Coudray	4		
	Mr. James Lambert	3		
	Mr. Subhas Ramkhelewan *	4	Thirteenth Report of the JSC on a review of the administration of the Point Fortin Borough Corporation	HOR – 28.03.2014
				SEN – 02.04.2014
			Fourteenth Report of the JSC on a review of the administration of the San Fernando City Corporation	HOR – 23.05.2014 SEN – 20.05.2014

***Mr. Subhas Ramkhelewan was replaced by Mr. H.R. Ian Roach with effect from May 06, 2014.**

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MEETING NUMBER	DATES OF MEETINGS	LINE MINISTRY	AGENCY/ENTITY	INQUIRY	COMMENTS
25TH MEETING	SEPTEMBER 27, 2013	Ministry of Local Government	San Fernando City and Point Fortin Borough Corporations	Review of the administration of the San Fernando City and Point Fortin Borough Corporations	Public meeting
26TH MEETING	OCTOBER 11, 2013	-	-	Consideration of draft reports of the Committee	In-camera meeting
27TH MEETING	NOVEMBER 22, 2013	-	-	Consideration of draft reports of the Committee	In-camera meeting
28TH MEETING	NOVEMBER 29, 2013	-	-	Consideration of draft reports of the Committee	In-camera meeting
29TH MEETING	MARCH 07, 2014	-	-	Consideration of draft reports of the Committee	In-camera meeting
30TH MEETING	MARCH 28, 2014	Ministry of Local Government	San Juan/Laventille and Tunapuna/Piarco Regional Corporations	Review of the administration of the San Juan/Laventille and Tunapuna/Piarco Regional Corporations	Public meeting
31ST MEETING	MAY 13, 2014	Ministry of Local Government	Sangre Grande and Mayaro/Rio Claro Regional Corporations	Review of the administration of the Sangre Grande and Mayaro/Rio Claro Regional Corporations	Public meeting
32ND MEETING	JULY 25, 2014	Ministry of Local Government	Penal/Debe and Siparia Regional Corporations	Review of the administration of the Penal/Debe and Siparia Regional Corporations	Public meeting

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ACTIVITIES- GROUP 1

Committee	Membership	Total Meetings Attended	Reports	Date Laid		
<u>Joint Select Committee - Government Ministries, Statutory Authorities and State Enterprises - Group I</u>	Mr. Elton Prescott, S.C. (Chairman)	8	Seventh Report of the Joint Select Committee (JSC) on the administration and operations of the National Insurance Appeals Tribunal	HOR: 22.11.2013 SEN: 19.11.2013		
	Dr. Dhanayshar Mahabir (Vice-Chairman)	8				
	Mrs. Carolyn Seepersad-Bachan, MP	8				
	Dr. Delmon Baker, MP	1	Eighth Report of the JSC on Primary School Education	HOR: 16.05.2014 SEN: 13.05.2014		
	Mr. Jairam Seemungal, MP	7				
	Ms. Stacy Roopnarine, MP	7				
	This Committee held a total of nine (9) meetings for the Session.	Dr. Amery Browne, MP		5	Ninth Report of the JSC on the Administration and Operations of the Housing Development Corporation (HDC)	HOR: 25.06.2014 SEN: 24.06.2014
	Mrs. Patricia McIntosh, MP	8				
	Mr. Emmanuel George	8				
	Mr. Faris Al-Rawi	7				
Mr. Ganga Singh	2					
Mr Gerald Hadeed	6					

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22 nd meeting	October 25, 2013	-	-	(i) Election of chairman and vice-chairman (ii) Consideration of draft reports of the Committee	In Camera
23 rd meeting	November 08, 2013	-	-	Consideration of draft inquiry proposals	In Camera
24 th meeting	November 15, 2013	Ministry of Housing and Urban Development	Housing Development Corporation	Inquiry into the administration and operations of the Housing Development Corporation	Public Meeting
25 th meeting	November 29, 2013	-	-	Consideration of draft inquiry proposals	In Camera
26 th meeting	January 17, 2014	Ministry of Finance and the Economy	National Insurance Board	An inquiry into the administration and operations of the National Insurance Board with specific focus on the Board's relations with the National Insurance Appeals Tribunal	Public Meeting
27 th meeting	March 07, 2014	Ministry of Finance and the Economy	Trinidad and Tobago Mortgage Finance (TTMF)	An inquiry into the administration and operations of the TTMF	Public Meeting
28 th meeting	April 22, 2014	Ministry of Justice	Police Complaints Authority (PCA)	A public hearing with officials of the PCA	Public Meeting
29 th meeting	June 06, 2014	Ministry of the Attorney General / Police Service	Anti-Corruption Investigation Bureau (ACIB)	A public hearing with officials of the ACIB	Public Meeting
30 th meeting	July 18, 2014	Ministry of the Environment and Water Resources	Environmental Management Authority (EMA)	A public hearing with officials of the EMA	Public Meeting

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ACTIVITIES- GROUP 2

Committee	Membership	Total Meetings Attended	Reports	Date Laid	
<p><u>Joint Select Committee - Government Ministries, Statutory Authorities and State Enterprises - Group II</u></p> <p>This Committee held a total of nine (9) meetings for the Session.</p>	Dr. Victor Wheeler (Chairman)	7	Eleventh Report of the JSC on the administration of the Water Taxi Service	HOR – 13.11.2013	
	Mr. David Small (Vice-Chairman)	9		SEN – 26.11.2013	
	Mrs. Raziah Ahmed	6	Twelfth Report of the JSC on the administration and operations of the National Transportation System of Trinidad and Tobago	HOR – 13.11.2013	
	Mr. Clifton De Coteau, MP	1		SEN – 19.11.2013	
	Dr. Lincoln Douglas, MP	5			
	Dr. Tim Gopeesingh, MP	4			
	Ms. Alicia Hospedales, MP	9			
	Mr. Fitzgerald Jeffrey, MP	9	Thirteenth Report of the JSC on the commissioning process for the new Scarborough Hospital	HOR – 13.11.2013	
	Mr. Collin Partap, MP	3		SEN – 19.11.2013	
	Mr. Kevin Ramnarine	3			
	Dr. Lester Henry	5	Fourteenth Report of the JSC on the administration and operations of the Trinidad and Tobago Police Service (with specific focus on efforts at maintaining law and order)	HOR – 22.11.2013	
	Dr. Bhoendradatt Tewarie	2		SEN – 26.11.2013	
				Fifteenth Report of the JSC on the administration and operations of the Trinidad and Tobago Electricity Commission	HOR – 28.03.2014 SEN – 02.04.2014

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MEETING NO.	DATES OF MEETINGS	LINE MINISTRY	DEPARTMENT	INQUIRY/AGENDA	COMMENTS
25 TH	October 04, 2013	-	-	(i) Election of chairman and vice-chairman (ii) Consideration of draft reports of the Committee	<i>In camera meeting</i>
26 TH	November 08, 2013	Ministry of Local Government	National Commission for Self Help Limited	Inquiry into the administration and operations of the NCSHL	Public meeting
27 TH	December 13, 2013	Ministry of the People and Social Development	Blind Welfare Association	Inquiry into the administration and operations of the Trinidad and Tobago Blind Welfare Association	Public meeting
28 TH	January 10, 2014	Ministry of Public Administration	Government Human Resources Services Company Limited (GHRS)	An Inquiry into the administration and operations of GHRS	Public meeting
29 TH	February 19, 2014	Ministry of Transport	Port Authority of Trinidad & Tobago	Inquiry into the administration and operations of the Port Authority of T&T	Public meeting
30 TH	March 14, 2014	Ministry of Trade, Industry, Investment and Communications	Evolving Technologies and Enterprise Development Company Limited (eTeck)	Inquiry into the administration and operations of E-TECK	Public meeting
31 ST	April 11, 2014	Ministry of Local Government	Community Improvement Services Limited (CISL)	Inquiry into the administration and operations of CISL	Public meeting
32 ND	May 09, 2014	Ministry of Public Utilities	Telecommunications Services of Trinidad and Tobago (TSTT)	Inquiry into the administration and operations of TSTT	Public meeting
33 RD	July 11, 2014	Ministry of Public Utilities	Telecommunications Services of Trinidad and Tobago	Inquiry into the administration and operations of TSTT	<i>In camera meeting</i>

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PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE (PAC)

Section 119 of the Constitution of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago provides for the establishment of the PAC. The PAC examines 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

COMMITTEE	MEMBERSHIP	TOTAL MEETINGS ATTENDED	REPORTS	DATE LAID
Public Accounts Committee	Mr. Colm Imbert, MP (Chairman)	4	First Report of the PAC on the Financial Statements of the National Insurance Board of T&T for the years ended June 30, 2009 and June 2010	HOR – 14.02.2014
	Mrs. Raziah Ahmed	4		SEN – 18.02.2014
The PAC had a total of Four (4) meetings for the Session.	Mrs. Diane Baldeo-Chadeesingh	4	Second Report of the PAC on the Financial Statements of the Heritage and Stabilisation Fund for the years ended September 2008 to September 2011	HOR – 14.02.2014 SEN – 18.02.2014
	Mr. Vasant Bharath	3		
	Ms. Donna Cox, MP	4		
	Dr. Dhanayshar Mahabir	4		
	Ms. Ramona Ramdial, MP	3	Third Report of the PAC on the Financial Statements of the Betting Levy Board of T&T for the years ended June 30, 2008 and June 30, 2009	HOR – 14.02.2014 SEN – 18.02.2014
	Mr. Anand Ramlogan, SC	3		
	Mr. Anil Roberts, MP	2		
	Mr. Collin Partap	2		
			Fourth Report of the PAC on the Financial Statements of the Environmental Management Agency for the years ended September 2008 to September 2011	HOR – 14.02.2014 SEN – 18.02.2014

*The appointment of Mr. Terrence Deyalsingh was revoked with effect from October 14, 2013 upon his resignation from the Senate.

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

Section 119 subsections (5-9) 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 Enterprises owned either wholly, partially or indirectly by the State which are audited by the Auditor General or by private 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.

COMMITTEE	MEMBERSHIP	TOTAL MEETINGS ATTENDED	REPORTS	DATE LAID
Public Accounts (Enterprises) Committee This Committee had a total of Eight (8) meetings for the Session.	Mrs. Camille Robinson-Regis (Chairman)	6	Third Report of the PA(E)C on the Audited Financial Statements of the Estate Management and Business Development Co. Ltd. for the years ended September 30, 2007 to 2009 Fourth Report of the PA(E)C on the Audited Financial Statements of the Education Facilities Company Ltd. for the years ended September 30, 2008 to 2010	HOR – 06.12.2013 SEN – 10.12.2013
	Dr. Rolph Balgobin	5		
	Mrs. Paula Gopee-Scoon, MP	8		
	Mr. Colm Imbert, MP	5		
	Mr. Rudranath Indarsingh, MP	8		
	Mr. Fazal Karim	8		
	Mr. Errol Mc Leod, MP	7		
	Mr. Embau Moheni	3		
Ms. Marlene Coudray	6			
Mr. Fitzgerald Hinds	2			
Mr. Chandresh Sharma, MP	-			

*Mr. Hinds was replaced by Mrs. Robinson-Regis on December 10, 2013 and Mr. Sharma took up his appointment on July 18, 2014.

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ACTIVITIES - PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

DATES OF MEETINGS	LINE MINISTRY	AGENCY/ENTERPRISE	NO. OF MEETINGS HELD	COMMENTS
January 21, 2014	-	-	1	In-camera
February 11, 2014	Ministry of Public Utilities	Trinidad and Tobago Electricity Commission (T&TEC)	1	Public Meeting
March 11, 2014	Ministry of Public Utilities	T&TEC	1	Public Meeting
May 06, 2014		T&TEC	1	Public Meeting

ACTIVITIES - PUBLIC ACCOUNTS (ENTERPRISES) COMMITTEE

DATES OF MEETINGS	LINE MINISTRY	AGENCY/ENTERPRISE	NO. OF MEETINGS HELD	COMMENTS
October 15, 2013	-	-	1	In-camera
November 19, 2013	-	-	1	In-camera
December 11, 2013	Ministry of Energy & Energy Affairs	Petroleum Company of T&T (Petrotrin)	1	Public Meeting
January 07, 2014	-	-	1	In-camera
February 04, 2014	Ministry of Finance and the Economy, Ministry of Energy and Energy Affairs & the Auditor General	-	1	In-camera
February 18, 2014	Ministry of Finance and the Economy & Ministry of Energy and Energy Affairs	-	1	In-camera
March 25, 2014	Ministry of Finance & the Economy	Petrotrin First Citizen's Bank Limited	1	In-camera
May 07, 2014	-	-	1	In-camera

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AD HOC JOINT SELECT COMMITTEES

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

COMMITTEE	MEMBERSHIP	REPORT	DATE LAID
<u>Joint Select Committee - Parliamentary Accommodation</u>	Mr. Stephen Cadiz, MP (Chairman) Mr. Faris Al-Rawi Dr. Delmon Baker, MP Dr. Bhoendradatt Tewarie Mr. Colm Imbert, MP Mr. Rudranath Indarsingh, MP Mr. Devant Maharaj Mr. Embau Moheni Mr. Elton Prescott, SC Ms. Ramona Ramdial, MP Dr. Keith Rowley, MP Mr. H.R. Ian Roach	No reports laid this session.	n/a
<u>Joint Select Committee - The Insurance (No.2) Bill, 2013</u>	Mr. Larry Howai Mr. Faris Al-Rawi Dr. Delmon Baker Mr. Stephen Cadiz, Mrs. Helen Drayton Mr. Colm Imbert Ms. Marlene McDonald Mr. Subhas Ramkhelawan * Mr. Jairam Seemungal Mrs. Carolyn Seepersad-Bachan Dr. Bhoendradatt Tewarie Mr. Vasant Bharath Dr. Dhanayshar Mahabir	Interim report of the Joint Select Committee on The Insurance (no. 2) Bill, 2013 Second Interim report of the Joint Select Committee on The Insurance (no. 2) Bill, 2013 Third Interim report of the Joint Select Committee on The Insurance (no. 2) Bill, 2013	HOR – 31.01.2014 SEN – 04.02.2014 HOR – 28.03.2014 SEN – 02.04.2014 HOR – 28.04.2014 SEN – 27.05.2014 HOR – 25.06.2014

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COMMITTEE	MEMBERSHIP	REPORT	DATE LAID
		Fourth Interim report of the Joint Select Committee on The Insurance (no. 2) Bill, 2013	SEN – 01.07.2014
		Report of the Joint Select Committee on The Insurance (no. 2) Bill, 2013	HOR – 18.07.2014 SEN – 22.07.2014
<u>Joint Select Committee - Legislative Proposals for the Houses of Parliament Service Authority Bill, 2014</u>	Mr. Wade Mark, MP (Chairman) Mr. Emmanuel George Mr. Timothy Hamel-Smith Mr. Colm Imbert, MP Ms. Marlene McDonald, MP Dr. Roodal Moonilal, MP Mr. Elton Prescott, SC Mr. Anand Ramlogan, SC Mrs. Camille Robinson-Regis Mr. Jairam Seemungal, MP	Interim report of the Joint Select Committee on the legislative proposal entitled “The Draft Houses of Parliament Service Authority Bill, 2014”	HOR – 28.05.2014 SEN – 10.06.2014

*Mr. Ramkhelewan was replaced by Dr. Mahabir on 06.05.2014 as a member of the JSC appointed to consider and report on the Insurance (No.2) Bill, 2013.

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MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NAMES OF MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT		PORTFOLIOS
1. Hon. Wade Mark, MP		Speaker of the House
2. Hon. Dr. Roodal Moonilal, MP	Member for Oropouche East	Minister of Housing and Urban Development
3. Hon. Kamla Persad-Bissessar, SC, MP	Member for Siparia	Prime Minister and Minister of the People and Social Development
4. Hon. Winston Dookeran, MP	Member for Tunapuna	Minister of Foreign Affairs
5. Hon. Errol McLeod, MP	Member for Pointe-a-Pierre	Minister of Labour, Small and Micro Enterprise Development
6. Hon. Chandresh Sharma, MP	Member for Fyzabad	Minister of Tourism until 31.03.2014
7. Hon. Prakash Ramadhar, MP	Member for St. Augustine	Minister of Legal Affairs
8. Hon. Dr. Tim Gopeesingh, MP	Member for Caroni East	Minister of Education
9. Hon. Winston Peters, MP	Member for Mayaro	Minister of Community Development
10. Hon. Dr. Surujrattan Rambachan, MP	Member for Tabaquite	Minister of Works and Infrastructure
11. Hon. Carolyn Seepersad-Bachan, MP	Member for San Fernando West	Minister of Public Administration
12. Ms. Nela Khan, MP	Member for Princes Town	Deputy Speaker
13. Hon. Anil Roberts, MP	Member for D'abadie/O'Meara	Minister of Sport
14. Hon. Stephen Cadiz, MP	Member for Chaguanas East	Minister of Transport

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NAMES OF MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT		PORTFOLIOS
15. Hon. Nizam Baksh, MP	Member for Naparima	Minister of Public Utilities
16. Hon. Dr. Rupert Griffith, MP	Member for Toco/Sangre Grande	Minister of Science and Technology
17. Hon. Dr. Delmon Baker, MP	Member for Tobago West	Minister of Tobago Development
18. Hon. Dr. Glenn Ramadharsingh, MP	Member for Caroni Central	Minister of the People and Social Development until 25.03.2014
19. Hon. Clifton De Coteau, MP	Member for Moruga/Tableland	Minister of Gender, Youth and Child Development
20. Hon. Dr. Fuad Khan, MP	Member for Barataria/San Juan	Minister of Health
21. Hon. Dr. Lincoln Douglas, MP	Member for Lopinot/Bon Air West	Minister of Arts and Multiculturalism
22. Hon. Rudranath Indarsingh, MP	Member for Couva South	Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance and the Economy
23. Hon. Rodger Samuel, MP	Member for Arima	Minister of National Diversity and Social Integration
24. Hon. Stacy Roopnarine, MP	Member for Oropouche West	Minister of State in the Ministry of Works & Infrastructure
25. Hon. Ramona Ramdial, MP	Member for Couva North	Minister of State in the Ministry of the Environment and Water Resources
26. Hon. Vernella Alleyne-Toppin, MP	Member for Tobago East	Minister in the Ministry of the People and Social Development
27. Hon. Jairam Seemungal, MP	Member for La Horquetta/Talparo	Minister of Land and Marine Resources
28. Mr. Collin Partap, MP	Member for Cumuto/Manzanilla	
OPPOSITION		
29. Ms. Marlene McDonald, MP	Member for Port of Spain South	
30. Hon. Dr. Keith Rowley, MP	Member for Diego Martin West	Leader of the Opposition
31. Ms. Donna Cox, MP	Member for Laventille East/Morvant	
32. Mr. NiLeung Hypolite, MP	Member for Laventille West	
33. Mr. Terrence Deyalsingh	Member for St. Joseph	
34. Mrs. Patricia McIntosh, MP	Member for Port of Spain North/St. Ann's West	

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NAMES OF MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT		PORTFOLIOS
35. Mr. Colm Imbert, MP	Member for Diego Martin North/East	
36. Mr. Fitzgerald Jeffrey, MP	Member for La Brea	
37. Dr. Amery Browne, MP	Member for Diego Martin Central	
38. Ms. Joanne Thomas, MP	Member for St. Ann's East	
39. Miss. Alicia Hospedales, MP	Member for Arouca/Maloney	
40. Mrs. Paula Gopee-Scoon, MP	Member for Point Fortin	
41. Mr. Patrick Manning, MP	Member for San Fernando East	
Independent Liberal Party		
42. Mr. Jack Warner, MP	Member for Chaguanas West	

*Mr. Roberts resigned as the Minister of Sport and as the Member of Parliament for D'abadie/O'Meara with effect from Thursday July 31, 2014.

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MEMBERS OF THE SENATE

NAME OF SENATOR	PORTFOLIO	
1. Sen. the Hon. Timothy Hamel-Smith	President of the Senate	
GOVERNMENT		
2. Sen. the Hon. Ganga Singh	Minister of the Environment and Water Resources	
3. Sen. the Hon. Marlene Coudray	Minister of Local Government	
4. Sen. the Hon. Anand Ramlogan, S.C.	Attorney General	
5. Sen. the Hon. Larry Howai	Minister of Finance and the Economy	
6. Sen. the Hon. Gary Griffith	Minister of National Security	
7. Sen. the Hon. Gerald Hadeed	Minister of Communications (until 31.03.2014)	Minister of Tourism
8. Sen. the Hon. Emmanuel George	Minister of Justice	
9. Sen. the Hon. Fazal Karim	Minister of Tertiary Education and Skills Training	
10. Sen. the Hon. Dr. Bhoendradatt Tewarie	Minister of Planning and Sustainable Development	
11. Sen. the Hon. Vasant Bharath	Minister of Trade, Industry and Investment and Minister in the Ministry of Finance and the Economy (until 31.03.2014)	Minister of Trade, Industry, Investment and Communications
12. Sen. the Hon. Embau Moheni	Minister of State in the Ministry of National Security	
13. Sen. James Lambert	Vice-President of the Senate	
14. Sen. the Hon. Devant Maharaj	Minister of Food Production	
15. Sen. the Hon. Raziah Ahmed	Minister of State in the Ministry of Gender, Youth and Child Development	
16. Sen. the Hon. Kevin C. Ramnarine	Minister of Energy and Energy Affairs	
OPPOSITION		
17. Sen. Camille Robinson-Regis	Leader of Opposition Business	
18. Sen. Faris Al-Rawi		
19. Sen. Dr. Lester Henry		
20. Sen. Diane Baldeo-Chadeesingh		
21. Sen. Shamfa Cudjoe		
22. Sen. Avinash Singh		
INDEPENDENT		

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NAME OF SENATOR	PORTFOLIO	
23. Sen. Helen Drayton	Co-ordinator of the Independent Bench	
24. Sen. Dr. Rolph Balgobin		
25. Sen. Dr. Victor Wheeler		
26. Sen. Elton A. Prescott, SC		
27. Sen. Dr. Dhanayshar Mahabir		
28. Sen. Anthony Vieira		
29. Sen. David Small		
30. Sen. Joy Abdul-Mohan		
31. Sen. H.R. Ian Roach		

*The seats of Opposition Senators Ms. Pennelope Beckles and Mr. Fitzgerald Hinds were declared vacant with effect from 04.12.2013.

*The seat of Independent Senator Subhas Ramkhelewan was declared vacant with effect from 10.04.2014.

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PERSONS APPOINTED TO SERVE ON A TEMPORARY BASIS

Government	Opposition	Independent
1. Mr. Nazeemool Mohammed	1. Mr. Stuart Young	1. Dr. Ayesha Edwards
2. Mr. Larry Lalla	2. Mr. Foster Cummings	2. Dr. Kriyaan Singh
3. Ms. Ashaki Scott	3. Mr. Fitzgerald Hinds	3. Dr. Sharon Le Gall
4. Arch. Barbara Burke		
5. Ms. Keitha Smith		
6. Mr. Wayne Sturge		
7. Mr. Daniel Solomon		
8. Mr. Garvin Nicholas		
9. Mr. Don Sylvester		

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APPENDIX IV

ACTS ASSENTED TO

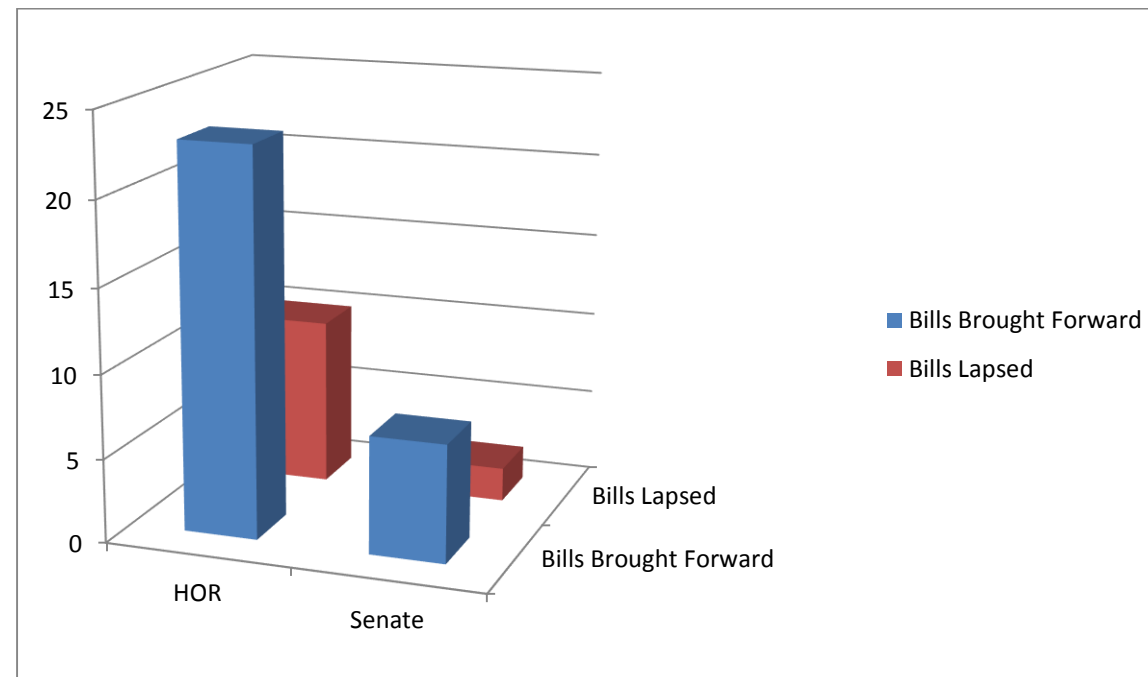
Act No.	TITLE	DATE OF ASSENT
13 of 2013	<u>The Municipal Corporations (Amendment) Act, 2013</u>	13.09.2013
14 of 2013	<u>The Appropriation (Financial Year 2014) Act, 2013</u>	27.09.2013
1 of 2014	<u>The Bail (Amendment) Act, 2014</u>	14.02.2014
2 of 2014	<u>The Libel and Defamation (Amendment) Act, 2014</u>	25.02.2014
3 of 2014	<u>The Dog Control (Amendment) Act, 2014</u>	04.04.2014
4 of 2014	<u>The Finance Act, 2014</u>	03.06.2014
5 of 2014	<u>The Finance (Supplementation and Variation of Appropriation) (Financial Year 2014) Act, 2014</u>	04.07.2014
6 of 2014	<u>The Miscellaneous Provisions (Licensing Committee) Act, 2014</u>	21.07.2014

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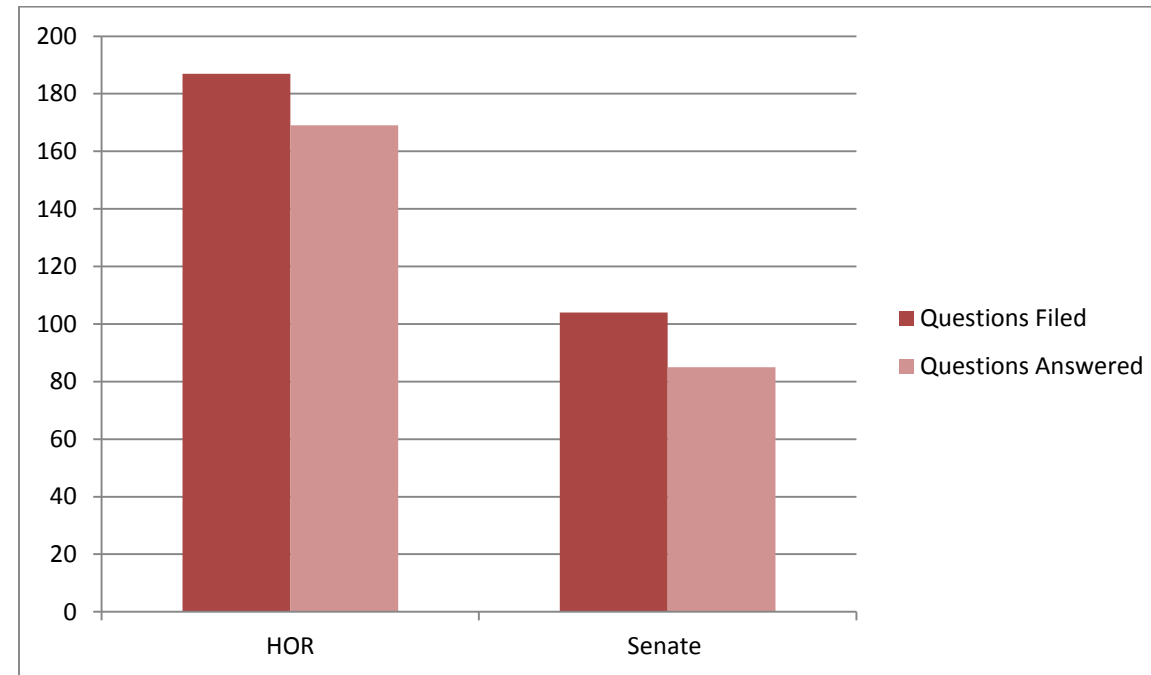
COMPARATIVE GRAPHS

This graph illustrates the number of bills brought forward and the number that lapsed at the conclusion of the Fourth Session of the Tenth Parliament in both houses.



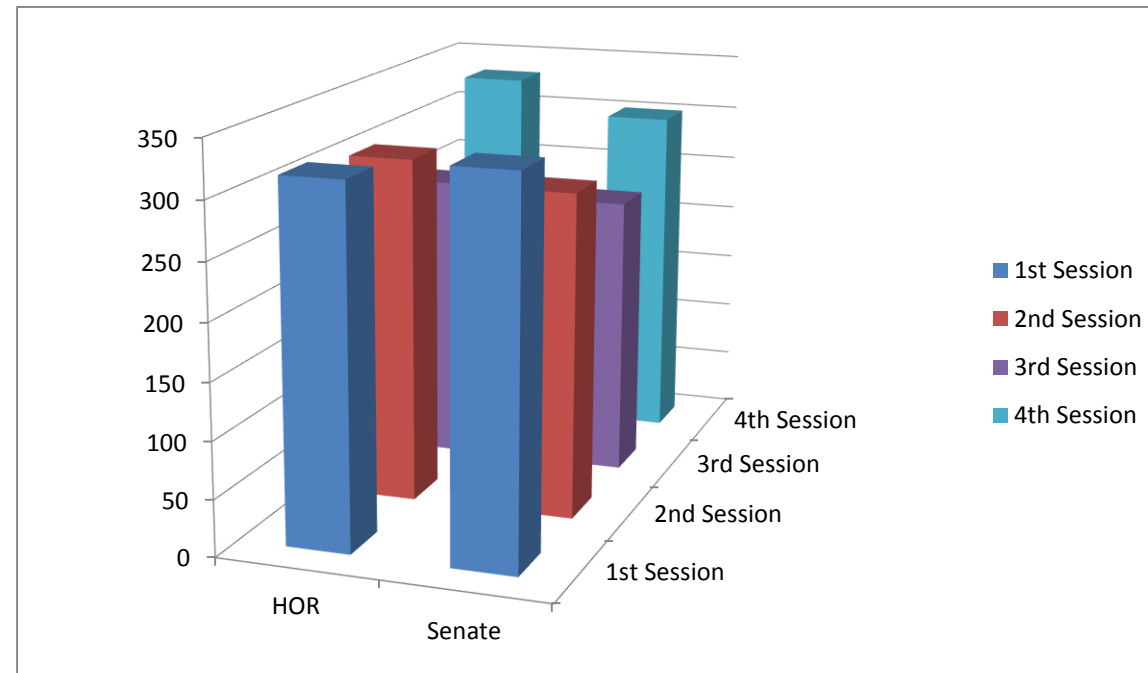
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This graph illustrates the number of questions filed and answered in both houses during the Fourth Session of the Tenth Parliament.



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This graph illustrates the number of hours spent in the Chamber by both houses for the past four Sessions of the Tenth Parliament.



APPENDIX VI

POINTS OF INTEREST

***By-election** – On 04 November, 2013 a by-election was held for the Electoral District of St. Joseph, at which Mr. Terrence Deyalsingh was duly elected. On 13 November, 2013 in the House of Representatives Mr. Deyalsingh took and subscribed the Oath of Allegiance.

***Standing Orders** – The First Report of the Standing Orders Committee of the House of Representatives, Fourth Session (2013/2014), Tenth Parliament was adopted on 14 March, 2014. This report comprehensively revised the Standing Orders. Some of the key changes include:

- A reduction in Speaking Time
- Public Meetings of the Standing Finance Committee
- Introduction of seven (7) new oversight committees
- Introduction of Prime Minister's Questions
- Introduction of a Fixed Recess