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INTRODUCTION

The Second Session of the 11th Parliament began on September 23rd 2016 by Proclamation of His Excellency (Legal Notice 134 of 2016) and prorogued on September 21st 2017 by Proclamation of His Excellency (Legal Notice 105 of 2017).

This Report outlines the Business conducted in the Second Session of the Eleventh Republican Parliament of Trinidad and Tobago.

BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (HOR)

SITTINGS

The House of Representatives was convened for three hundred and one (301) hours and forty-three (43) minutes for the 2016-2017 Session. The table below provides details of the sittings of the HOR.

Month and Year	No. of Sittings	No. of Hours
September 2016	2	7 hours 04 minutes
October 2016	5	86 hours 20 minutes
November 2016	2	10 hours 49 minutes
December 2016	4	11 hours 14 minutes
January 2017	5	19 hours 18 minutes
February 2017	3	19 hours 07 minutes
March 2017	6	28 hours 33 minutes
April 2017	4	25 hours 31 minutes
May 2017	6	52 hours 58 minutes
June 2017	6	35 hours 54 minutes
September 2017	2	04 hours 55 minutes
Total	45	301 hours 43 minutes

There were 44 regular sittings and 1 extraordinary sitting held on 20.01.2017.

DETAILS OF SITTINGS

SITTING	PRESIDING OFFICER AT START OF SITTING	SITTING DATE	SITTING COMMENCED	SITTING ADJOURNED	DURATION OF SITTING
1 st	Speaker	Friday 23.09.2016	1.30 p.m.	4.28 p.m.	2 hours 58minutes
2 nd	Speaker	Friday 30.09.2016 [Budget Day]	1.30 p.m.	4.36 p.m.	4 hours 06 minutes
3 rd	Speaker	Thursday 06.10.2016	1.30 p.m.	10.09 p.m.	8 hours 39 minutes
4 th	Deputy Speaker	Friday 07.10.2016	10.00 a.m.	7.57 p.m.	9 hours 57 minutes
5 th	Speaker	Monday 10.10.2016	10.30 a.m.	8.43 p.m.	10 hours 13 minutes
6 th	Speaker	Tuesday 11.10.2016	10.30 a.m.	7.17 p.m.	8 hours 47 minutes
7 th	Speaker [As Chairman of the Standing Finance Committee (SFC)]	Wednesday 12.10.2016	10.30 a.m.	SFC Suspended at 6:14 p.m.	7 hours 44 minutes
		Thursday 13.10.2016	SFC Resumed at 1.30 p.m.	SFC Suspended at 8.45 p.m.	7 hours 15 minutes
		Friday 14.10.2016	SFC Resumed at 10.30 a.m.	SFC Suspended at 5.45 p.m.	7 hours 15 minutes
		Monday 17.10.2016	SFC Resumed at 10.30 a.m.	SFC Suspended at 9.43 p.m.	11 hours 12 minutes
		Tuesday 18.10. 2016	SFC Resumed at 10.30 a.m.	SFC Suspended at 8.51 p.m.	8 hours 21 minutes
		Wednesday 19.10.2016	SFC Resumed at 10.30 a.m.	SFC Suspended at 6.27 p.m.	8 hours 57 minutes
		Friday 14.10.2016	SFC Resumed at 10.30 a.m.	SFC Suspended at 5.45 p.m.	7 hours 15 minutes
8 th	Speaker	Wednesday 09.11.2016	1.30 p.m.	8.59 p.m.	7 hours 29 minutes
9 th	Deputy Speaker	Friday 18.11.2016	1.30 p.m.	4.50 p.m.	3 hours 20 minutes
10 th	Speaker	Friday 02.12.2016	1.30 p.m.	6.50 p.m.	5 hours 20 minutes
11 th	Deputy Speaker	Wednesday 07.12.2016	1.30 p.m.	2:43 p.m.	1 hour 13 minutes
12 th	Speaker	Friday 09.12.2016	1.30 p.m.	3.46 p.m.	2 hours 16 minutes

SITTING	PRESIDING OFFICER AT START OF SITTING	SITTING DATE	SITTING COMMENCED	SITTING ADJOURNED	DURATION OF SITTING
13th	Deputy Speaker	Monday 12.12.2016	1.30 p.m.	3.55 p.m.	2 hours 25 minutes
14th	Speaker	Friday 06.01.2017	1.30 p.m.	4.20 p.m.	2 hours 50 minutes
15th	Speaker	Friday 13.01.2017	1.30 p.m.	5.30 p.m.	4 hours 00 minutes
16th	Speaker	Wednesday 18.01.2017	2.30 p.m.	7.34 p.m.	5 hours 04 minutes
Extraordinary Sitting	Speaker	Friday 20.01.2017	1.30 p.m.	4.05 p.m.	2 hours 35 minutes
17th	Speaker	Friday 27.01.2017	1.30 p.m.	6.19 p.m.	4 hours 49 minutes
18th	Speaker	Friday 03.02.2017	1.30 p.m.	6.45 p.m.	5 hours 15 minutes
19th	Speaker	Monday 13.02.2017	2.30 p.m.	11.01 p.m.	8 hours 31 minutes
20th	Speaker	Thursday 23.02.2017	2.30 p.m.	7.51 p.m.	5 hours 21 minutes
21st	Speaker	Friday 03.03.2017	1.30 p.m.	6.15 p.m.	4 hours 45 minutes
22nd	Speaker	Monday 06.03.2017	2.30 p.m.	7.33 p.m.	5 hours 03 minutes
23rd	Speaker	Wednesday 15.03.2017	1.30 p.m.	10.40 p.m.	9 hours 10 minutes
24th	Speaker	Friday 17.03.2017	1.30 p.m.	6.38 p.m.	5 hours 08 minutes
25th	Speaker	Wednesday 22.03.2017	1.30 p.m.	5.57 p.m.	4 hours 27 minutes
26th	Speaker	Friday 24.03.2017	1.30 p.m.	5.58 p.m.	4 hours 28 minutes
27th	Deputy Speaker	Wednesday 05.04.2017	1.30 p.m.	7.11 p.m.	5 hours 41 minutes
28th	Speaker	Wednesday 12.04.2017	1.30 p.m.	9.11 p.m.	7 hours 41 minutes
29th	Speaker	Friday 21.04.2017	1.30 p.m.	9.06 p.m.	7 hours 36 minutes
30th	Speaker	Friday 28.04.2017	1.30 p.m.	6.03 p.m.	4 hours 33 minutes
31st	Speaker	Friday 05.05.2017	1.30 p.m.	1.47 a.m.	12 hours 17 minutes
32nd	Speaker	Wednesday 10.05.2017	1.30 p.m.	9.56 p.m.	8 hours 04 minutes
33rd	Speaker	Thursday 11.05.2017	1.30 p.m.	12.48 a.m.	10 hours 18 minutes

SITTING	PRESIDING OFFICER AT START OF SITTING	SITTING DATE	SITTING COMMENCED	SITTING ADJOURNED	DURATION OF SITTING
34th	Speaker	Friday 19.05.2017	1.30 p.m.	8.34 p.m.	7 hours 34 minutes
35th	Speaker	Friday 26.05.2017	1.30 p.m.	6.50 p.m.	5 hours 20 minutes
36th	Speaker	Wednesday 31.05.2017	1.30 p.m.	10.55 p.m.	9 hours 25 minutes
37th	Speaker	Friday 02.06.2017	1.30 p.m.	6.49 p.m.	5 hours 19 minutes
38th	Speaker	Friday 09.06.2017	1.30 p.m.	7.24 p.m.	5 hours 54 minutes
39th	Speaker	Wednesday 14.06.2017	1.30 p.m.	6.55 p.m.	5 hours 25 minutes
40th	Speaker	Friday 23.06.2017	1.30 p.m.	8.11 p.m.	6 hours 41 minutes
41st	Speaker	Wednesday 28.06.2017	1.30 p.m.	9.30 p.m.	8 hours 00 minutes
42nd	Speaker	Friday 30.06.2017	1.30 p.m.	6.05 p.m.	4 hours 35 minutes
43rd	Speaker	Friday 08.09.2017	1.30 p.m.	3.33 p.m.	2 hours 03 minutes
44th	Speaker	Friday 15.09.2017	1.30 p.m.	4.22 p.m.	2 hours 52 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	NOTE
9/2016	The Insurance Bill, 2016	01.07.2016 (Bill brought over from 1 st session)	03.02.2017	JSC	08.09.2017 – Final Report 30.06.2017 –Fourth Interim 02.06.2017 – Third Interim 05.05.2017 – Second Interim 15.03.2017 – First Interim Report	-	-	-	-	-	Restored to 3 rd Session in the House
10/2016	The Gambling (Gaming and Betting) Control Bill, 2016	01.07.2016 (Bill brought over from 1 st session)	03.02.2017	JSC	15.09.2017 – Final Report 30.06.2017 – Third Interim 19.05.2017 – Second Interim 15.03.2017 – First Interim Report	-	-	-	-	-	Restored to 3 rd Session in the House
11/2016	The Tax Information Exchange Agreements (United States of America) Bill, 2016	09.09.2016	12.12.2016	JSC	23.02.2017	23.02.2017	07.03.2017	-	20.03.2017	06.07.2017	-
12/2016	The Appropriation (Financial Year 2017) Bill 2016	30.09.2016	12.10.2016	CWH	19.10.2016	19.10.2016	24.10.2016	-	27.10.2016	-	-
13/2016	The Finance (No. 3) Bill 2016	09.11.2016	09.11.2016	CWH	09.11.2016	09.11.2016	20.12.2016	-	23.12.2016	-	-
1/2017	The Fire Service (Amendment) Bill, 2017	06.01.2017	21.04.2017	CWH	21.04.2017	21.04.2017	25.05.2017	-	12.06.2017	-	-
2/2017	The Miscellaneous Provisions (Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters, Proceeds of Crime,	13.01.2017	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Restored to 3 rd Session in the House

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	Financial Intelligence Unit of Trinidad and Tobago, Customs and Exchange Control) Bill, 2017										
3/2017	The Land Adjudication (Amendment) Bill, 2017	13.01.2017	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Lapsed
4/2017	The Registration of Titles to Land (Amendment) Bill, 2017	13.01.2017	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Lapsed
5/2017	The Land Tribunal (Amendment) Bill, 2017	13.01.2017	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Lapsed
6/2017	The State Suits Limitation Bill, 2017	13.01.2017	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Lapsed
7/2017	The Finance (Variation of Appropriation) (Financial Year 2016) Bill, 2017	18.01.2017	18.01.2017	-	-	18.01.2017	24.01.2017	-	25.01.2017	-	-
8/2017	The Tobago House of Assembly Election (Validation) Bill, 2017	20.01.2017	20.01.2017	CWH	-	20.01.2017	21.01.2017	-	21.01.2017	-	-
9/2017	The Anti-Terrorism (Amendment) Bill, 2017	13.02.2017	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Lapsed
10/2017	The Bail (Access to Bail) (Amendment) Bill, 2017	23.02.2017	31.05.2017	CWH	31.05.2017	31.05.2017	06.07.2017	15.09.2017	-	-	-
11/2017	The International Financial Organisations (Corporación Andina de Fomento) Bill, 2017	23.02.2017	15.03.2017	CWH	15.03.2017	15.03.2017	04.04.2017	-	13.04.2017	-	-
12/2017	The Indictable Offences (Pre-Trial Procedure) Bill, 2017	23.02.2017	17.03.2017	CWH	17.03.2017	17.03.2017	-	-	-	-	Restored to 3 rd Session in the Senate

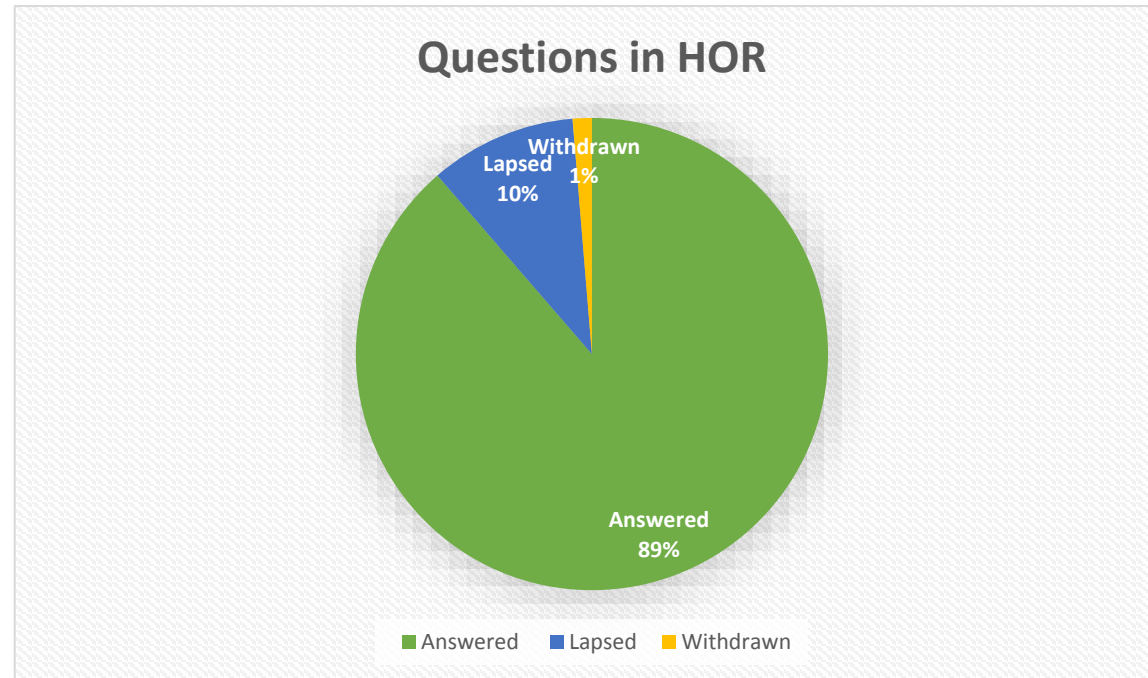
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13/2017	The Criminal Procedure (Plea Discussion and Plea Agreement) Bill, 2017	23.02.2017	12.04.2017	CWH	06.05.2017	06.05.2017	04.07.2017	15.09.2017	-	-	-
14/2017	The Mutual Administrative Assistance in Tax Matters Bill, 2017	21.04.2017	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Lapsed
15/2017	The Cybercrime Bill, 2017	05.05.2017	-	JSC	15.09.2017 – Final Report 30.06.2017 – First Interim Report	-	-	-	-	-	Restored to 3 rd Session in the House
16/2017	The Finance (Variation of Appropriation) (Financial Year 2017) Bill, 2017	10.05.2017	12.05.2017	-	-	12.05.2017	16.05.2017	-	22.05.2017	-	-

QUESTIONS

QUESTION NO.	FORM OF ANSWER	DATE ANSWERED	NO. OF QUESTIONS ANSWERED
2,3 4	Oral Written	November 09, 2016	3
5,6,7	Oral	December 02, 2016	3
9,10	Oral	December 07, 2016	2
11,22,23,24,25,28 12,19,20,21	Oral Written	January 06, 2017	10
26,27,30,31,33,34,35,36	Oral	January 13, 2017	8
38	Oral	January 18, 2017	1
8,13,14,15,16,17	Written	January 27, 2017	6
37,39,40	Oral	February 03, 2017	3
29,43,45	Oral	February 13, 2017	3
46,47,48,49 41,42	Oral Written	February 23, 2017	6
44,50,51,52,54,58 18	Oral Written	March 03, 2017	7
53,59 55,56	Oral Written	March 06, 2016	4
60,63,64,66,67,68,77,78	Oral	March 15, 2017	8
72,79,81	Oral	March 17, 2017	3
57,73,76,80	Oral	March 24, 2017	4
61,82,85,89,90,91,94,95	Oral	April 05, 2017	8
86,87,93,96,97,98 65,74,75	Oral Written	April 12, 2017	9
62,83,88,92,99,100,101 69,70,71,102,103	Oral Written	April 21, 2017	12
104,105,106,108,109,110	Oral	April 28, 2017	6
111,112,113	Oral	May 05, 2017	3

QUESTION NO.	FORM OF ANSWER	DATE ANSWERED	NO. OF QUESTIONS ANSWERED
84	Oral	May 10, 2017	1
107,114,115,116,117,118,119	Oral	May 19, 2017	7
120,121,122,131,132,133	Oral	May 26, 2017	6
123,125,126,134,138 124,130	Oral Written	May 31, 2017	7
127,128,129	Oral	June 02, 2017	3
136,137,141,142,143,144 139,140	Oral Written	June 09, 2017	8
145,146,147,148,149,151,158,159,160	Oral	June 14, 2017	9
135,152,153,154,161,162,163,164,165,166,169 150	Oral Written	June 23, 2017	12
155,156,157,168,173,174,175,177,178,179,183 167	Oral Written	June 28, 2017	12
170,171,172,176,180,181	Oral	June 30, 2017	6
185,186,189,190,191,196,197,200,203,204,206 193,201	Oral Written	September 08, 2017	13
187,188,192,194,198,199,205,207,209 182	Oral Written	September 15, 2017	10
TOTAL			203

Total number of Questions filed for the Session was two hundred and twenty-nine (229). One hundred and ninety (190) were for oral answer and thirty-nine (39) were due for a written response. A total of two hundred and three (203) were answered. Twenty-three (23) questions lapsed. Questions 1, 32 and 184 were withdrawn during the session.



Prime Minister's Questions		Urgent Questions	
No. of Questions	Date Answered	No. of Questions	Date Answered
12 (1 unanswered, time expired)	November 18, 2016	3	November 18, 2016
16	December 07, 2016	5	December 02, 2016
21 (6 unanswered, time expired)	January 13, 2017	3	December 07, 2016
8	February 13, 2017	2	December 09, 2016
16 (8 unanswered, time expired)	March 06, 2017	Opposition not in chamber	December 12, 2016
8	April 12, 2017	4	January 06, 2017
12	May 10, 2017	1	January 13, 2017
12 (3 unanswered, time expired)	June 09, 2017	4	January 18, 2017

Prime Minister's Questions		Urgent Questions	
No. of Questions	Date Answered	No. of Questions	Date Answered
13	September 15, 2017	6	January 27, 2017
		11 (3 unanswered, time expired)	February 03, 2017
		4	February 13, 2017
		4	February 23, 2017
		3	March 03, 2017
		1	March 06, 2017
		6	March 15, 2017
		3	March 17, 2017
		8	March 22, 2017
		6	March 24, 2017
		6	April 05, 2017
		6	April 12, 2017
		9 (2 unanswered, time expired)	April 21, 2017
		6	April 28, 2017
		8 (1 unanswered, time expired)	May 05, 2017
		6	May 10, 2017
		4	May 11, 2017
		9 (2 unanswered, time expired)	May 19, 2017
		7 (1 unanswered, time expired)	May 26, 2017
		10	May 31, 2017
		5	June 02, 2017
		6	June 09, 2017
		5	June 14, 2017
		12 (5 unanswered, time expired)	June 23, 2017
		3	June 28, 2017
		3	June 30, 2017
		8 (2 unanswered, time expired)	September 08, 2017
		4	September 15, 2017

GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

No.	Short Title	MOVED BY	First Debated	APPROVED/NOT APPROVED
1.	Confirmation of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Order, 2016	Minister of Finance	09.11.2016	Approved
2.	Confirmation of the Customs (Import Duty) (Caribbean Common Market) (Amendment) Order, 2016	Minister of Finance	09.11.2016	Approved
3.	Confirmation of the Excise Duty (Alcoholic Beverages) Order, 2016	Minister of Finance	09.11.2016	Approved
4.	Confirmation of the Excise Duty (Tobacco Products) Order, 2016	Minister of Finance	09.11.2016	Approved
5.	Approve the draft EBC (Local Government and THA) (Tobago) Order 2016	Minister of Rural Development & Local Government	07.12.2016	Approved
6.	Notification of the nomination of Mr. Martin George as a member of the Police Service Commission	Leader of the House	13.01.2017	Approved
7.	Adopt the First Report of the Standing Finance Committee	Minister of Finance	18.01.2017	Approved
8.	Adopt the Report of the JSC on the Tax Information Exchange Agreements Bill, 2016	Minister of Finance	23.02.2017	Approved
9.	Approve the Notification of the nomination of Commodore Anthony Stafford Franklin as a Member of the Police Service Commission	Leader of the House	21.04.2017	Approved
10.	Approve Salaries and Allowances in the Report on the Determination of Salaries and Allowances of Members of the Board of the Office of Procurement Regulation	Minister of Finance	06.05.2017	Approved
11.	Adopt the Second Report of the Standing Finance Committee	Minister of Finance	10.05.2017	Approved
12.	Joint Select Committee to review levels of Health Care Delivery	Leader of the House	31.05.2017	Approved
13.	Joint Select Committee on Vision 2030	Leader of the House	31.05.2017	Approved
14.	Consideration of the findings and recommendations in the Thirty-Eighth Annual Report of the Ombudsman	Leader of the House	-	Lapsed

15.	Consideration of the findings and recommendations in the Thirty-Ninth Annual Report of the Ombudsman	Leader of the House	-	Lapsed
16.	Consideration of the Senate Amendments to the Bail (Access to Bail)(Amendment) Bill, 2017	Attorney General	15.09.2017	Approved
17.	Consideration of the Senate Amendments to the Criminal Procedure (Plea Discussion & Plea Agreement) Bill, 2017	Attorney General	15.09.2017	Approved

PRIVATE MOTIONS

NO.	SHORT TITLE	MOVED BY	DEBATE COMMENCED	DEBATE CONCLUDED	APPROVED/NOT APPROVED
1.	Condemn the reduction in allocation to education and training	Chaguanas East	02.12.2016	-	Lapsed
2.	Condemn the Government's lack of a clear economic plan	Couva South	27.01.2017	-	Lapsed
3.	Rising Crime Epidemic	Naparima	26.05.2017	-	Lapsed

Note – Three (3) Private Motions were withdrawn during the Second Session.

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 **December 02, 2016**. 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
1st Meeting	October 13-14, 2016 & 17-19, 2016	<u>First Report of the Standing Finance Committee of the House of Representatives for the Second Session (2016/2017), Eleventh Parliament on the consideration of proposals for the Variation of Appropriation for the fiscal year 2016.</u>
2nd Meeting	January 13, 2017	
3rd Meeting	May 05, 2017	

Standing Orders Committee

The Standing Orders Committee is established by Standing Order 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. Vidya Gayadeen-Gopeesingh, MP

House Committee

The House Committee is established by Standing Order 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 were no *meetings* held by this committee for the session.

Membership of the House Committee

1. Mrs. Camille Robinson-Regis, MP (Chairman)
2. Mr. Colm Imbert, MP
3. Maj. Gen. (Ret’d) Edmund Dillon, MP
4. Mrs. Ayanna Webster-Roy, MP
5. Dr. Roodal Moonilal, MP
6. Mr. Ganga Singh, MP

Privileges Committee

The Privileges Committee is established by Standing Order 89 and 92 of the House of Representatives to consider and report on matters referred to it by the Speaker or the House which appears to affect the powers or Privileges of the House. There were no matters referred to the Privileges Committee for the Second 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

Statutory Instruments Committee

The Statutory Instruments Committee is established by Standing Order 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.
- (2) The Statutory Instruments Committee shall not consider or report on the merits or policy of any such instrument.

There were no meetings held by this Committee for the session.

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

Business Committee

The Business Committee is established by Standing Order 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 September 15, 2017. Its composition was as follows:

Membership of the Business 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

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.”

REFERRALS - 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.

REFERRALS - PUBLIC BILLS

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

BUSINESS OF THE SENATE

SITTINGS

The Senate was convened for a total of two hundred and fifty-six (256) hours and fifty-one (51) minutes for the 2016-2017 Session. This table reflects the sittings of the Senate.

Month and Year	No. of Sittings	No. of Hours
September 2016	1	00 hours 36 minutes
October 2016	3	25 hours 25 minutes
November 2016	1	00 hours 55 minutes
December 2016	1	10 hours 58 minutes
January 2017	5	30 hours 34 minutes
February 2017	2	13 hours 18 minutes
March 2017	4	26 hours 51 minutes
April 2017	2	15 hours 43 minutes
May 2017	5	35 hours 16 minutes
June 2017	8	66 hours 55 minutes
July 2017	2	19 hours 40 minutes
September 2017	2	10 hours 40 minutes
Total	36	256 hours 51 minutes

There were 35 regular sittings and 1 extraordinary sitting held on 21.01.2017.

DETAILS OF SITTINGS

SITTING	PRESIDING OFFICER AT START	SITTING DATE	SITTING COMMENCED	SITTING ADJOURNED	DURATION OF SITTING
1 st	President	Friday 23.09.2016	1:30pm	2:06pm	0 hours 36 minutes
2 nd	President	Thursday 20.10.2016	1:30pm	9:45pm	8 hours 15 minutes
3 rd	President	Friday 21.10.2016	10:30am	7:35pm	9 hours 05 minutes
4 th	President	Monday 24.10.2016	10:30am	6:35pm	8 hours 05 minutes
5 th	President	Tuesday 15.11.2016	1:30pm	2:25pm	0 hours 55 minutes
6 th	President	Monday 19.12.2016	1:30pm	12:28am	10 hours 58 minutes
7 th	President	Wednesday 11.01.2017	1:30pm	9:32pm	8 hours 02 minutes
8 th	President	Tuesday 17.01.2017	1:30pm	10:38pm	9 hours 08 minutes
Extraordinary Sitting	President	Saturday 21.01.2017	11:00am	3:24pm	4 hours 24 minutes
9 th	President	Tuesday 24.01.2017	1:30pm	6:54pm	5 hours 24 minutes
10 th	President	Tuesday 31.01.2017	1:30pm	5:06pm	3 hours 36 minutes
11 th	President	Tuesday 07.02.2017	1:30pm	10:20pm	8 hours 50 minutes
12 th	President	Tuesday 14.02.2017	1:30pm	5:58pm	4 hours 28 minutes
13 th	President	Tuesday 07.03.2017	10:30am	9:18pm	10 hours 48 minutes
14 th	President	Tuesday 14.03.2017	1:30pm	8:01pm	6 hours 31 minutes
15 th	President	Thursday 21.03.2017	1:30pm	5:47pm	4 hours 17 minutes
16 th	President	Tuesday 28.03.2017	1:30pm	6:45pm	5 hours 15 minutes
17 th	President	Tuesday 04.04.2017	1:30pm	11:25pm	9 hours 55 minutes
18 th	President	Tuesday 25.04.2017	1:30pm	7:18pm	5 hours 48 minutes
19 th	President	Tuesday 02.05.2017	1:30pm	6:09pm	4 hours 39 minutes
20 th	President	Tuesday 09.05.2017	1:30pm	9:24pm	7 hours 54 minutes
21 st	President	Monday 15.05.2017	1:30pm	2:43am	13 hours 13 minutes
22 nd	President	Tuesday 23.05.2017	1:30pm	6:02pm	4 hours 32 minutes

SITTING	PRESIDING OFFICER AT START	SITTING DATE	SITTING COMMENCED	SITTING ADJOURNED	DURATION OF SITTING
23 rd	President	Thursday 25.05.2017	2:30pm	7:28pm	4 hours 58 minutes
24 th	President	Thursday 01.06.2017	2:30pm	1:16am	10 hours 46 minutes
25 th	President	Tuesday 06.06.2017	10:00am	9:32pm	11 hours 32 minutes
26 th	President	Thursday 08.06.2017	1:30pm	8:54pm	7 hours 24 minutes
27 th	Vice-President	Tuesday 13.06.2017	10:30am	9:59pm	11 hours 29 minutes
28 th	President	Tuesday 20.06.2017	1:30pm	5:47pm	4 hours 17 minutes
29 th	President	Thursday 22.06.2017	2:30pm	10:18pm	7 hours 48 minutes
30 th	President	Tuesday 27.06.2017	1:30pm	6:21pm	4 hours 51 minutes
31 st	President	Thursday 29.06.2017	2:30pm	11:18pm	8 hours 48 minutes
32 nd	President	Tuesday 04.07.2017	11:30am	11:19pm	11 hours 49 minutes
33 rd	President	Thursday 06.07.2017	2:30pm	10:21pm	7 hours 51 minutes
34 th	President	Thursday 14.09.2017	2:00pm	9:37pm	7 hours 37 minutes
35 th	President	Tuesday 19.09.2017	10:30am	1:33pm	3 hours 03 minutes

BILLS ORIGINATING IN THE SENATE

KEY

* CWH-Committee of the Whole House

* JSC-Joint Select Committee

* SSC-Special Select Committee

* SFC – Standing Finance Committee

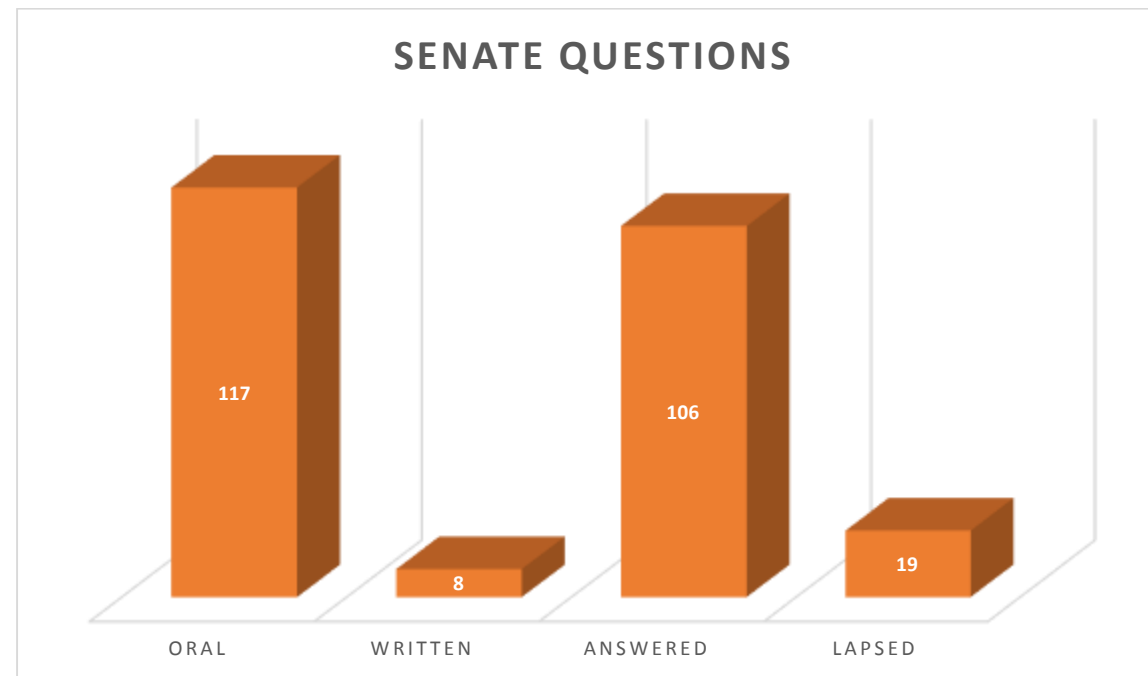
BILL NO.	BILL TITLE	FIRST READING	SECOND READING	COMMITTED TO	REPORTED BY COMMITTEE	THIRD READING	DATE PASSED IN HOR	HOR AMENDMENTS CONSIDERED	ASSENT	PROCLAMATION	NOTE
1/2016	The Miscellaneous Provisions (Marriage) Bill, 2016	19.12.2016	11.01.2017	CWH	17.01.2017	17.01.2017	09.06.2017	-	22.06.2017	-	-
2/2016	The Public Procurement and Disposal of Public Property (Amendment) Bill, 2016	19.12.2016	07.02.2017	CWH	07.02.2017	07.02.2017	03.03.2017	-	13.03.2017	-	-
1/2017	The Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic (Amendment) Bill, 2017	07.02.2017	02.05.2017	CWH	06.06.2017	06.06.2017	23.06.2017	-	03.08.2017	-	-
2/2017	The Miscellaneous Provisions (Trial By Judge Alone) Bill, 2017	07.03.2017	14.03.2017	SSC	20.06.2017	22.06.2017	28.06.2017	-	07.07.2017	-	-

QUESTIONS

QUESTION NO.	FORM OF ANSWER	DATE ANSWERED	NO. OF QUESTIONS ANSWERED
1,2,3,4,5,	Oral	November 15, 2016	5
6,8,9	Oral	December 19, 2016	3
10,11,12	Oral	January 11, 2017	4
7	Written		
13,14	Oral	January 17, 2017	2
15,16,17,18	Oral	January 24, 2017	4
20,21	Oral	January 31, 2017	2
23,24	Oral	February 07, 2017	3
45	Written		
19,22,25,26,27,46,54,55,56,57	Oral	March 07, 2017	10
28,29,30,58,59	Oral	March 14, 2017	5
31,32,33	Oral	March 21, 2017	4
53	Written		
34,35	Oral	March 28, 2017	2
37,38,39	Oral	April 04, 2017	3
40,41,42,63,64	Oral	April 25, 2017	7
60,62	Written		
36,43,44,47,66,67	Oral	May 02, 2017	6
48,49,50,68,69,76,77,83,84	Oral	May 09, 2017	10
65	Written		
51,52,61,72,73	Oral	May 15, 2017	5
70,74,75,78	Oral	May 23, 2017	4
19,80,81	Oral	May 25, 2017	3
71,85,86	Oral	June 01, 2017	3
87, 88	Oral	June 06, 2017	3
89	Written		
82,90,91,92,93,94,98	Oral	June 20, 2017	7
96,97,100	Oral	June 22, 2017	3
99	Oral	July 06, 2017	1

QUESTION NO.	FORM OF ANSWER	DATE ANSWERED	NO. OF QUESTIONS ANSWERED
95,101,102,103 118	Oral Written	September 14, 2017	5
104,105	Oral	September 19, 2017	2
TOTAL			106

A total of one hundred and twenty-five (125) questions were filed; one hundred and seventeen (117) were for oral answer and seven (8) were for written answer. A total of one hundred and six (106) questions were answered.



MOTIONS

GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

NO.	SHORT TITLE	MOTION MOVED BY	FIRST DEBATED	APPROVED/NOT APPROVED
1.	Confirmation of the Customs (Import Duty) (Caribbean Common Market) (Amendment) Order, 2016	Minister of Finance	07.02.2017	Approved
2.	Confirmation of the Excise Duty (Alcoholic Beverages) Order, 2016	Minister of Finance	07.02.2017	Approved
3.	Confirmation of the Excise Duty (Tobacco Products) Order, 2016	Minister of Finance	07.02.2017	Approved
4.	Approve Salaries and Allowances in the Report on the Determination of Salaries and Allowances of Members of the Board of the Office of Procurement Regulation	Minister of Finance	09.05.2017	Approved
5.	Establish Joint Select Committee to Review Levels of Health Care Delivery	Leader of Government Business	13.06.2017	Approved
6.	Joint Select Committee on Vision 2030	Leader of Government Business	13.06.2017	Approved

PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS

NO.	SHORT TITLE	MOTION MOVED BY	FIRST DEBATED	APPROVED/NOT APPROVED
1.	Amend the Legislative Retirement Allowances Act	Dr. Dhanayshar Mahabir	31.01.2017	Not Approved
2.	Deal with the unacceptable crime level in Trinidad and Tobago	Wayne Sturge	14.02.2017	Lapsed
3.	Legislative Formula for Parliamentary Autonomy	Wade Mark	23.05.2017	Lapsed
4.	Take note of the Escalating levels of job losses and condemn the Government's failure to present an Economic Policy	Wade Mark	-	Lapsed
5.	Call on Government to Conduct a Forensic Audit of the THA's Fund and Contingencies Accounts	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](#), [Statutory Instruments Committee](#) and the [Business Committee](#). The President of the Senate appointed Members to these Committees on **November 15, 2016**. 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 79 and 80 of the Senate. **There were no meetings of this Committee for the Session.**

Membership of the Standing Orders Committee

1. Mrs. Christine Kangaloo (Chairman)
2. Mr. Nigel De Freitas
3. Mr. Clarence Rambharat
4. Mr. Wade Mark
5. Ms. Melissa Ramkissoon

House Committee

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

Membership of the House Committee

1. Mr. Franklin Khan (Chairman)
2. Mr. Foster Cummings
3. Mr. Daniel Dookie
4. Ms. Khadijah Ameen
5. Ms. Jennifer Raffoul

Committee of Privileges

The Privileges Committee is established by Standing Order 79 and 82 of the Senate. **There were no meetings of this Committee for the Session.**

Membership of the Committee of Privileges

1. Mrs. Christine Kangaloo (Chairman)
2. Mr. Nigel De Freitas
3. Mrs. Jennifer Baptiste-Primus
4. Mr. Wade Mark
5. Mr. Taurel Shrikissoon

Statutory Instruments Committee

The Statutory Instruments Committee is established by Standing Order 79 and 83 of the Senate. **There were no meetings of this Committee for the Session.**

Membership of the Statutory Instruments Committee

1. Mrs. Christine Kangaloo (Chairman)
2. Mr. W. Michael Coppin (until 24.08.2017)
3. Mr. Ronan Sinanan
4. Mr. Gerald Ramdeen
5. Mr. Stephen Creese

Business Committee

The Business Committee is established by Standing Order 79 and 84 of the Senate. This Committee held one meeting on May 23, 2017.

Membership of the Business Committee

1. Mrs. Christine Kangaloo (Chairman)
2. Mr. Franklin Khan
3. Mrs. Paula Gopee-Scoon
4. Mr. Wade Mark
5. Dr. Dhanayshar Mahabir

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.”

One such Committee was appointed to consider and report on the Miscellaneous Provisions (Trial by Judge Alone) Bill, 2017 at a sitting of the Senate held on **June 13, 2017**. The Committee was required to submit its report by **June 20, 2017**.

The Committee held two (2) meetings on June 14, 2017 and June 16, 2017.

The Committee’s [Report](#) was presented on June 20, 2017.

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 Provisional Collection of Taxes Order, 2016 and RESOLUTION	10.11.2016	HOR – 09.11.2016 SEN –	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.
2.	The Customs (Import Duty) (Caribbean Common Market) (Amendment) Order, 2016	19.10.2016	HOR – 09.11.2016 SEN – 15.11.2016	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.
3.	The Excise Duty (Alcoholic Beverages) Order, 2016	19.10.2016	HOR – 09.11.2016 SEN – 15.11.2016	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.
4.	The Excise Duty (Tobacco Products) Order, 2016	19.10.2016	HOR – 09.11.2016 SEN – 15.11.2016	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.
5.	The Supreme Court of Judicature (Variation of Rate of Interest on Judgment Debt) Order, 2016	10.11.2016	HOR – 18.11.2016 SEN – 19.12.2016	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.
6.	The Petty Civil Courts (Variation of Rate of Interest on Judgment Debt) Order, 2016	10.11.2016	HOR – 18.11.2016 SEN – 19.12.2016	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.
7.	The Draft Elections and Boundaries Commission (Local Government and Tobago House of Assembly) (Tobago) Order, 2016		HOR – 02.12.2016 SEN –	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.
8.	The Civil Aviation [(No. 2) Operations] (Amendment) Regulations, 2016	16.11.2016	HOR – 02.12.2016 SEN – 19.12.2016	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.
9.	The Civil Aviation [(No. 3) Air Operator Certification and Administration] (Amendment) Regulations, 2016	16.11.2016	HOR – 02.12.2016 SEN – 19.12.2016	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.
10.	The Civil Aviation [(No. 4) Registration and Markings] (Amendment) Regulations, 2016	16.11.2016	HOR – 02.12.2016 SEN – 19.12.2016	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.
11.	The Civil Aviation [(No. 5) Airworthiness] (Amendment) Regulations, 2016	16.11.2016	HOR – 02.12.2016 SEN – 19.12.2016	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.
12.	The Civil Aviation [(No. 7) Instruments and Equipment] (Amendment) Regulations, 2016	16.11.2016	HOR – 02.12.2016 SEN – 19.12.2016	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.

NO.	TITLE	DATE PUBLISHED	DATE LAID	COMMENTS
13.	The Civil Aviation [(No. 10) Foreign Operator] (Amendment) Regulations, 2016	16.11.2016	HOR – 02.12.2016 SEN – 19.12.2016	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.
14.	The Civil Aviation [(No. 13) Charges for Air Navigation Services] (Amendment) Regulations, 2016	16.11.2016	HOR – 02.12.2016 SEN – 19.12.2016	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.
15.	The Civil Aviation [(No. 14) Aircraft Accident and Incident Investigation] (Amendment) Regulations, 2016	16.11.2016	HOR – 02.12.2016 SEN – 19.12.2016	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.
16.	The Civil Aviation [(No. 15) Air Navigation Services] (Amendment) Regulations, 2016	16.11.2016	HOR – 02.12.2016 SEN – 19.12.2016	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.
17.	The Civil Aviation [(No. 17) Economic] Regulations, 2016	16.11.2016	HOR – 02.12.2016 SEN – 19.12.2016	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.
18.	The Civil Aviation [(No. 19) Unmanned Aircraft Systems] Regulations, 2016	16.11.2016	HOR – 02.12.2016 SEN – 19.12.2016	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.
19.	The Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Rules, 2016	29.12.2016	HOR – 06.01.2017 SEN – 11.01.2017	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.
20.	The Value Added Tax (Amendment to Schedule 2) Order, 2017	02.02.2017	HOR – 13.02.2017 SEN – 07.03.2017	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.
21.	The Trinidad and Tobago Housing Development Corporation (Vesting) (Amendment to the First Schedule) Order, 2017	08.06.2017	HOR – 14.06.2017 SEN – 20.06.2017	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.
22.	The Trinidad and Tobago Housing Development Corporation (Vesting) (Amendment to the First Schedule) (No. 2) Order, 2017	08.06.2017	HOR – 14.06.2017 SEN – 20.06.2017	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.
23.	The Trinidad and Tobago Housing Development Corporation (Vesting) (Amendment to the First Schedule) (No. 3) Order, 2017	08.06.2017	HOR – 14.06.2017 SEN – 20.06.2017	Legislation did not contain anything to which Special attention of the Committee should be drawn to.

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 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.

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 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 The PAC had a total of nine (9) meetings for the Session.	Dr Bhoendradatt Tewarie, MP (Chairman)	9	<u>First Report - The Examination of the Report of the Auditor General on the Public Accounts of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago for the financial years 2014 and 2015 with specific reference to the Auditor General's Department.</u>	HOR – 03.02.2017 SEN – 31.01.2017
	Mrs. Ayanna Webster-Roy, MP	5		
	Ms. Marlene McDonald, MP	0		
	Mr. Randall Mitchell, MP	2	<u>Second Report - The Examination of the Report of the Auditor General on the Public Accounts of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago for the financial year 2014 with specific reference to the Ministry of Tourism.</u>	HOR – 03.02.2017 SEN – 31.01.2017
	Dr. Lester Henry	5		
	Mrs. Paula Gopee-Scoon	3		
	Mr. Rodger Samuel	8		
	Ms. Jennifer Raffoul (wef 19.12.2016)	6	<u>Third Report - The Examination of the Report of the Auditor General on the Public Accounts of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago for the financial year 2014 with specific reference to the Tobago House of Assembly.</u>	HOR – 03.02.2017 SEN – 31.01.2017
	Dr. Dhanayshar Mahabir (served until 18.12.2016)	0		
			<u>Fourth Report - The Examination of the Report of the Auditor General on the Public Accounts of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago for the financial year 2014 with specific reference to the Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries.</u>	HOR – 03.02.2017 SEN – 31.01.2017

[Fifth Report - The Examination of the Report of the Auditor General on the Public Accounts of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago for the financial year 2014 with specific reference to the Ministry of National Security.](#)

HOR – 03.02.2017
SEN – 31.01.2017

[Sixth Report - The Examination of the Report of the Auditor General on the Public Accounts of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago for the financial years 2014 and 2015 with specific reference to the Ministry of Finance.](#)

HOR – 03.02.2017
SEN – 31.01.2017

[Seventh Report - The Examination of the Report of the Auditor General on the Public Accounts of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago for the financial years 2014 and 2015 with specific reference to the Ministry of Education.](#)

HOR – 19.05.2017
SEN – 23.05.2017

[Eighth Report - The Examination of the Report of the Auditor General of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago on a Special Audit of the Public Transport Service Corporation \(PTSC\).](#)

HOR – 30.06.2017
SEN – 29.06.2017

[Ninth Report - The Examination of the Report of the Auditor General on the Public Accounts of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago for the Financial Years 2014 and 2015 with specific reference to the Ministry of Health.](#)

HOR – 30.06.2017
SEN – 29.06.2017

DATES OF MEETINGS	LINE MINISTRY	AGENCY/ENTERPRISE	NO. OF MEETINGS HELD	COMMENTS
January 11, 2017	-	-	1	In-camera
January 25, 2017	Ministry of Education	-	2	In-camera/Public Meeting
February 08, 2017	Ministry of Works & Transport	Public Transport Service Corporation	2	In-camera/ Public meeting
March 29, 2017	Ministry of Health		2	In-camera/Public Meeting
May 10, 2017	Ministry of Health	Eastern Regional Health Authority	2	In-camera/Public Meeting
May 24, 2017	Ministry of Housing & Urban Development	Land Settlement Agency	2	In-camera/Public Meeting
June 14, 2017	-	Auditor General	2	In-camera/Public Meeting
June 28, 2017	Ministry of Finance		2	In-camera/Public Meeting
September 13, 2017	Ministry of Energy & Energy Industries	-	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 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.

ACTIVITIES - PUBLIC ACCOUNTS (ENTERPRISES) COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE	MEMBERSHIP	TOTAL MEETINGS ATTENDED	REPORTS	DATE LAID	
Public Accounts (Enterprises) Committee	Mr. Wade Mark (Chairman)	10	<u>Second Report - The Examination of the Report of the Auditor General of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago on a Special Audit of the Operations of the Sports Company of Trinidad and Tobago with particular reference to the development and upgrading of Sporting Facilities in Trinidad.</u>	HOR – 22.03.2017	
	Dr. Tim Gopeesingh, MP	7		SEN – 21.03.2017	
Mr. Fitzgerald Hinds, MP	3	<u>Third Report - The Examination of the Audited Accounts, Balance Sheet and other Financial Statements of the Community Improvement Services Limited for the financial years 2008 to 2012.</u>		HOR – 12.04.2017 SEN – 25.04.2017	
Mrs. Cherrie-Ann Crichlow-Cockburn, MP	8				
This Committee had a total of eleven (11) meetings for the Session.	Ms. Shamfa Cudjoe, MP	7		<u>Fourth Report - The Examination of the Audited Accounts, Balance Sheet and other Financial Statements of the Community Based Environmental Protection and Enhancement Programme for the financial years 2009 to 2014.</u>	HOR – 12.04.2017 SEN – 25.04.2017
	Mrs. Jennifer Baptiste-Primus	10			
	Mr. Foster Cummings	7			
	Mr. David Small	9			
				<u>Fifth Report - The Examination of the Audited Accounts, Balance Sheet and other Financial Statements of the Point</u>	HOR – 12.04.2017 SEN – 25.04.2017

[Lisas Industrial Port Development Corporation Limited \(PLIPDECO\) for the financial years 2008 to 2015.](#)

[Sixth Report - The Examination of the Audited Accounts, Balance Sheet and other Financial Statements of the Trinidad and Tobago Solid Waste Management Company Limited for the financial years 2008 to 2013.](#)

HOR – 12.04.2017
SEN – 25.04.2017

[Seventh Report - The Examination of the Audited Accounts, Balance Sheet and other Financial Statements of the Estate Management and Business Development Company Limited for the financial years 2008 to 2010.](#)

HOR – 31.05.2017
SEN – 01.06.2017

[Eighth Report - The Examination of the Audited Accounts, Balance Sheet and other Financial Statements of the National Gas Company of Trinidad and Tobago Limited \(NGC\) for the financial years 2009 to 2015.](#)

HOR – 08.09.2017
SEN – 04.07.2017

DATES OF MEETINGS	LINE MINISTRY	AGENCY/ENTERPRISE	NO. OF MEETINGS HELD	COMMENTS
November 02, 2016	Ministry of Sport & Youth Affairs	Sports Company of Trinidad & Tobago	2	In-camera/Public meeting
November 16, 2017	Ministry of Community Development, Culture & the Arts	Community Improvement Services Limited	2	In-camera/Public meeting
December 07, 2016	Ministry of Public Utilities Ministry of Rural Development & Local Government	Community-Based Environmental Protection & Enhancement Programme	2	In-camera/Public meeting
January 18, 2017	Ministry of Works & Transport	Point Lisas Industrial Port Development Corporation Limited	2	In-camera/Public meeting
February 15, 2017	Ministry of Public Utilities	Solid Waste Management Company Limited	2	In-camera/Public Meeting
March 15, 2017	-	-	1	In-camera
April 05, 2017	Ministry of Agriculture, Land & Fisheries	Estate Management & Business Development Company Limited	2	In-camera/Public Meeting
April 19, 2017	Ministry of Energy & Energy Industries	National Gas Company	2	In-camera/Public Meeting
May 03, 2017	Ministry of Public Utilities	Telecommunications Services of Trinidad & Tobago	2	In-camera/Public Meeting
May 17, 2017	-	-	1	In-camera
May 31, 2017	-	-	1	In-camera

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

The Public Administration and Appropriation Committee is established by Standing Order 98(3) of the House of Representatives.

Activities - Public Administration and Appropriation Committee

COMMITTEE	MEMBERSHIP	TOTAL MEETINGS ATTENDED	REPORTS	DATE LAID
This Committee had a total of fourteen (14) meetings for the Session.	Mrs. Bridgid Annisette-George, MP (Chairman)	12	<u>First Report - An Examination into the Current Expenditure of Ministries and Departments under three (3) Sub-Heads: Current Transfers and Subsidies, Development Programme - Consolidated Fund and Infrastructure Development Fund.</u>	HOR - 09.11.2016
	Dr. Lackram Bodo, MP	13		SEN - 15.11.2016
	Mrs. Ayanna Webster-Roy, MP	11		
	Ms. Nicole Olivier, MP	10	<u>Second Report - An Examination of the Current Expenditure and Internal Controls of the Office of the President.</u>	HOR - 05.05.2017
	Mr. Maxie Cuffie, MP	10		SEN - 02.05.2017
	Dr. Dhanayshar Mahabir	4		
	Mr. Daniel Dookie	7		
	Ms. Allyson Baksh	12		
	Mr. Clarence Rambharat	6	<u>Third Report - An Examination of the System of Inventory Control within the Public Service.</u>	HOR - 05.05.2017
	Mr. Wade Mark	9		SEN - 02.05.2017
			<u>Fourth Report - An Examination of the System of Internal Audit within the Public Service.</u>	HOR - 15.09.2017
				SEN - 14.09.2017
			<u>Fifth Report - An Examination into the Ministry of Housing and Urban Development with specific reference to Accountability and Transparency, Inventory Control, Internal Audit, Sub-Head 02- Goods and Services, Sub Head 03- Minor Equipment Purchases, Sub-Head 09 Development Programme-Consolidated Fund and Infrastructure Development Fund.</u>	HOR - 15.09.2017
				SEN -

*Dr Dhanayshar Mahabir replaced Senator Melissa Ramkissoon w.e.f. 19.12.2016

DATES OF MEETINGS	LINE MINISTRY	AGENCY/ENTERPRISE	COMMENTS
November 16, 2016	-	-	In-camera
November 30, 2016	-	-	In-camera
December 14, 2016	-	-	In-camera
January 12, 2017	Office of the President		In-camera/Public Meeting
January 25, 2017	Ministry of Agriculture, Land & Fisheries Ministry of National Security Ministry of the Attorney General & Legal Affairs Office of the Parliament	Integrity Commission Service Commission	In-camera/Public Meeting
February 08, 2017		Public Service	In-camera/Public Meeting
February 15, 2017	-	-	In-camera
March 08, 2017	Ministry of Energy & Energy Industries Ministry of Works Transport Ministry of Labour & Small Enterprise Development	Equal Opportunity Tribunal Elections & Boundaries Commission Trinidad & Tobago Police Service	In-camera/Public Meeting
March 23, 2017	-	Public Service	In-camera/Public Meeting
April 20, 2017	Ministry of Housing & Urban Development	-	In-camera/Public Meeting
April 27, 2017	Tobago House of Assembly	-	In-camera/Public Meeting
June 05, 2017	Ministry of Sport & Youth Affairs	-	In-camera/Public Meeting
July 03, 2017	Ministry of Education	-	In-camera/Public Meeting
September 11, 2017	-	-	In-camera

THE PARLIAMENTARY BROADCASTING COMMITTEE

There were no meetings of the Broadcasting Committee during the 2nd Session of the 11th Parliament.

Membership of the Parliamentary Broadcasting Committee

Mrs. Christine Kangaloo (Chairman)
Mrs. Bridgid Annisette-George, MP
Mr. Darryl Smith, MP
Ms. Shamfa Cudjoe, MP
Mr. Barry Padarath, MP
Ms. Khadija Ameen
Ms. Nadine Stewart (served until 25.01.2017)
Mr. Taurel Shrikissoon (w.e.f. 16.12.2016)
Ms. Ayanna Lewis (14.03.2017 – 28.06.2017)

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ASSURANCES

The Committee on Government Assurances is established by Standing Order 98(3) of the House of Representatives. There were no meetings of this committee for the session.

Membership of the Committee 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

ACTIVITIES – COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL SECURITY

COMMITTEE	MEMBERSHIP	TOTAL MEETINGS ATTENDED	REPORTS	DATE LAID	
Committee on National Security	Mr. Fitzgerald Hinds, MP (Chairman)	12	Report on Inquiries Conducted during the First Session (2015/2016), Eleventh Parliament.	HOR – 09.11.2016	
	Ms. Nicole Olivierre, MP	7		SEN – 15.11.2016	
This Committee had a total of twelve (12) meetings for the Session.	Mr. Faris Al Rawi, MP	6	First Report on the follow-up inquiry into the status of the investigation of the PCA and the TTPS into the events surrounding the Day of "Total Policing" on March 23, 2015.	HOR – 19.05.2017	
	Mr. Prakash Ramadhar, MP	4		SEN – 23.05.2017	
	Mr. Nigel De Freitas	12			
	Mr. Wayne Sturge	8			
	Mr. Michael Coppin (served until 24.08.2017)	11			
	Mr. Paul Richards (wef 19.12.2016)	8		Second Report on the inquiry into the practice whereby prisoners are granted access to services outside the prison facilities.	HOR – 19.05.2017
	Mr. Taurel Shrikissoo (served until 18.12.2016)	2			SEN – 23.05.2017
			Third Report on the Inquiry into the Operations of the Trinidad and Tobago Forensic Science Centre and the Issue of DNA Sampling in Trinidad and Tobago.	HOR – 31.05.2017 SEN – 01.06.2017	
			Fourth Report on an Inquiry into Prison Security and the Status of the Investigation into the Port-of-Spain Prison Break of July 24, 2015.	HOR – 30.06.2017 SEN – 04.07.2017	

DATES OF MEETINGS	DEPARTMENT	INQUIRY/AGENDA	COMMENTS
November 02, 2016	-	-	In-camera
November 16, 2016	-	-	In-camera
December 08, 2016	Trinidad and Tobago Prison Service	<i>An inquiry into the practices whereby prisoners are granted access to services outside the prison</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
January 25, 2017		-	In-camera
February 01, 2017	Electronic Monitoring System Implementation Committee (EMSIC) - Ministry of National Security	<i>An inquiry into the implementation of the Administration of Justice (Electronic Monitoring) Act, 2012</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
February 08, 2017	Strategic Services Agency	<i>An inquiry into the extent to which the Strategic Services Agency (SSA) is effective as an agency involved in national security and how the work of the Agency can be enhanced</i>	In-camera Hearing
February 20, 2017	Trinidad and Tobago Police Service	<i>An inquiry into the Management of the Processes regarding the Procurement, Registration, Retrieval and Storage of Firearms as well as Forensic Ballistic Practices in Trinidad and Tobago</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
March 24, 2017	Trinidad and Tobago Forensic Science Centre Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions Ministry of the Attorney General and Legal Affairs Service Commissions Department	<i>An inquiry into the staffing deficiencies at the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions and the impact of these deficiencies on National Security</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
April 07, 2017	Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions Ministry of the Attorney General and Legal Affairs Service Commissions Department Personnel Department Property and Real Estate Division - Ministry of Public Administration and Communications	<i>An inquiry into the staffing deficiencies at the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions and the impact of these deficiencies on National Security</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
April 19, 2017		-	In-camera
July 03, 2017	Trinidad and Tobago Police Service	<i>A follow-on inquiry into the prevalence of firearms on the streets of Trinidad and Tobago</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting

September 13, 2017	Trinidad and Tobago Defence Force Customs and Excise Division Strategic Services Agency Trinidad and Tobago Prison Service Airport Authority of Trinidad and Tobago Port Authority of Trinidad and Tobago		
	Ministry of National Security Ministry of the Attorney General and Legal Affairs Trinidad and Tobago Police Service <i>Public Stakeholders and Specially Invited Guests:</i> Estate Police Association of Trinidad and Tobago Association of Security Companies of Trinidad and Tobago Security Owners and Managers Association of Trinidad and Tobago British High Commission in Trinidad and Tobago Chief Executive Officer - Security Industry Authority, UK	<i>Symposium - Theme: The Prevalence and Growth of Private Security Companies in Trinidad and Tobago, the Absence of Regulation and the Impact on National Security</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting

ACTIVITIES – COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AFFAIRS

COMMITTEE	MEMBERSHIP	MEETING DATES	REPORTS	DATE LAID
Committee on Energy Affairs	Mr. Colm Imbert, MP (Chairman) Mr. Kazim Hosein (wef 19.12.2016) Maj. Gen. (Ret'd) Edmund Dillon, MP	16.11.2016 17.03.2017	1st Report - An Inquiry into the Strategies and Incentives to promote new production in the Energy Industry with specific focus on the Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries.	HOR – 09.12.2016 SEN – 19.12.2016
This Committee had a total of two (2) meetings for the Session.	Mr. David Lee, MP Mrs. Paula Gopee-Scoon Mr. David Small Mr. Gerald Ramdeen (wef 22.03.2017) Mr. Stuart Young, MP (wef 14.06.2017) Mr. Daniel Solomon (until 21.03.2017) Mrs. Ayanna Webster-Roy, MP (until 14.06.2017) Mr. Franklin Khan (until 18.12.2016)			

ACTIVITIES – COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS

The First Report on the Public Examination of the Draft Summary of Recommendations and Conclusions of the Forty-First Meeting of the Council for Trade and Economic Development was laid on the 09.06.2017 in the House of Representatives and on the 13.06.2017 in the Senate.

COMMITTEE	MEMBERSHIP	TOTAL MEETINGS ATTENDED	MEETING DATES	COMMENTS
Committee on Foreign Affairs	Ms. Marlene McDonald, MP (Chairman)	6	05.10.2016	In-camera
	Mrs. Paula Gopee-Scoon	5	14.12.2016	In-camera/Public Meeting
This Committee had a total of six (6) meetings for the Session.	Mr. Terrence Deyalsingh, MP	3	01.02.2017	In-camera
	Ms. Shamfa Cudjoe, MP	2	25.04.2017	In-camera
	Mr. Rodney Charles, MP	5	03.05.2017	In-camera
	Mr. Avinash Singh	6	07.06.2017	In-camera/Public Meeting
	Mr. Rodger Samuel	6		
	Ms. Melissa Ramkissoon *	4		

*Ms. Ramkissoon replaced Dr. Dhanayshar Mahabir on 19.12.2016

ACTIVITIES - COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS, EQUALITY & DIVERSITY

COMMITTEE	MEMBERSHIP	TOTAL MEETINGS ATTENDED	REPORTS	DATE LAID
Committee on Human Rights, Equality & Diversity	Mrs. Nyan Gadsby-Dolly, MP (Chairman)	6	3rd Report - An Inquiry into the treatment of Child Offenders at the Youth Training Centre (YTC), St. Michael's Interim Rehabilitation Centre for Young Male Offenders and St. Jude's Interim Rehabilitation Centre for Young Female Offenders.	HOR – 03.02.2017
	Mrs. Glenda Jennings-Smith, MP	5		
	Mr. Randall Mitchell, MP	5		
	Mrs. Vidya Gayadeen-Gopeesingh, MP	5		
	Mr. Dennis Moses	2		
	Mr. Rodger Samuel	5		
This Committee had a total of six (6) meetings for the Session.	Mr. Kazim Hosein (wef 19.12.2016)	2	4th Report - The Systems in Place to Protect Children from Abuse.	HOR – 02.06.2017
	Dr. Dhanayshar Mahabir (wef 19.12.2016)	2		
	Ms. Jennifer Raffoul (served until 18.12.2016)	2		
	Ms. Sarah Budhu (served until 31.10.2016)	0		

DATES OF MEETINGS	DEPARTMENT	INQUIRY/AGENDA	COMMENTS
November 04, 2016	Office of the Prime Minister Ministry of National Security	<i>Inquiry into the Treatment of Child offenders at the Youth Training Centre, St. Jude's Home for Girls and St. Michael's Home for Boys</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
December 02, 2016	-	-	In-camera
January 13, 2017	-	-	In-camera
February 03, 2017	Ministry of Education Children's Authority of Trinidad and Tobago Trinidad and Tobago Police Service Child Welfare League	<i>Examination of the systems in place to protect children from abuse</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
May 19, 2017	Ministry of National Security Vision on Mission	<i>Inquiry into the Human Rights of Remandees at the Remand Prison</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
September 08, 2017	-	-	In-camera

ACTIVITIES – COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND LEGAL AFFAIRS

COMMITTEE	MEMBERSHIP	TOTAL MEETINGS ATTENDED	REPORTS	DATE LAID
Committee on Finance and Legal Affairs	Ms. Sophia Cote, SC (Chairman)	5	First Report - An Inquiry into Criminal Case Flow Management in the Judicial System.	HOR – 09.11.2016
	Mr. W. Michael Coppin (served until 24.08.2017)	5		SEN – 15.11.2016
This Committee had a total of seven (7) meetings for the Session.	Mr. Randall Mitchell, MP	3	Second Report – An Inquiry into Food Fraud in Trinidad and Tobago.	HOR – 31.05.2017 SEN – 01.06.2017
	Ms. Marlene McDonald, MP	0		
	Dr. Lovell Francis, MP	5		
	Mr. Prakash Ramadhar, MP	6		
	Mr. Clarence Rambharat	7		
Mr. Wayne Sturge	2			

DATES OF MEETINGS	DEPARTMENT	INQUIRY/AGENDA	COMMENTS
January 20, 2017	Supermarket Association of T&T Trinidad & Tobago Farmers' Union	-	In-camera/Public Meeting
February 17, 2017	Central Bank of T&T	<i>Inquiry into the regulation of Commercial Bank Fees</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
March 17, 2017	-	-	In-camera
April 07, 2017	-	-	In-camera
May 05, 2017	Bankers Association of T&T	<i>Inquiry into the regulation of Commercial Bank Fees</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
May 19, 2017	-	<i>Inquiry into the regulation of Commercial Bank Fees</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
September 15, 2017	-	-	In-camera

ACTIVITIES – COMMITTEE ON LAND AND PHYSICAL INFRASTRUCTURE

COMMITTEE	MEMBERSHIP	TOTAL MEETINGS ATTENDED	REPORTS	DATE LAID
Committee on Land and Physical Infrastructure	Mr. Stephen Creese (Chairman)	12	First Report - Inquiry into Land Tenure Issues in Trinidad and Tobago.	HOR – 26.05.2017
	Mr. Rushton Paray, MP	11		SEN – 19.12.2016
This Committee had a total of twelve (12) meetings for the Session.	Mr. Darryl Smith, MP	4	Second Report - Inquiry into the allocation and utilisation of State lands for food production.	HOR – 23.06.2017 SEN – 20.06.2017
	Mrs. Glenda Jennings-Smith, MP	7		
	Dr. Lovell Francis, MP	6		
	Mr. Franklin Khan	5		
	Mr. Daniel Solomon (served until 21.03.2017)	3		
	Mr. Wade Mark (wef 22.03.2017)	7		
	Mr. Nigel De Freitas (wef 19.12.2016)	9		
	Mr. Rohan Sinanan (served until 19.12.2016)	0		

DATES OF MEETINGS	DEPARTMENT	INQUIRY/AGENDA	COMMENTS
November 09, 2016	-		In-camera
November 22, 2016	Public Transport Service Commission	<i>An inquiry into the PTSC with specific focus on the Public Bus Service and Maintenance of Buses</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
January 17, 2017	-	<i>Examination of officials of the Ministry of Agriculture, Land and Fisheries</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
February 21, 2017	<i>Caroni Green Limited and NAMDEVCO</i>	<i>Examination of the Ministry of Agriculture, Land and Fisheries</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
March 08, 2017			In-camera
March 28, 2017			In-camera
June 12, 2017	PTSC	<i>An inquiry into the Public Transport Service Corporation (with specific focus on customer service and the maintenance of buses)</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
September 04, 2017	Port Authority of Trinidad & Tobago [PATT (Former & Current board officials)]	<i>An inquiry into the Trinidad and Tobago Inter-Island Ferry Service with specific focus on the procurement and maintenance of the Ferries</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
September 05, 2017	PATT Trinidad & Tobago Inter-Island Transport Company Bridgemans Services Group LP Ken Shipping & Marine Services Ltd SWWTU Magellan Service Ltd	<i>An inquiry into the Trinidad and Tobago Inter-Island Ferry Service with specific focus on the procurement and maintenance of the Ferries</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
September 06, 2017	Inter-Isle Truckers & Traders Association Tobago House of Assembly Tobago Hotel & Tourism Association	<i>An inquiry into the Trinidad and Tobago Inter-Island Ferry Service with specific focus on the procurement and maintenance of the Ferries</i> <i>An inquiry into the state of the agricultural and fisheries industries in Tobago (with specific focus on the levels of participation in the industries and the output of farmers)</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
September 18, 2017	SWWTU Magellan Service Ltd	<i>Continuation of an inquiry into the Trinidad and Tobago Inter-Island Ferry Service with specific focus on the procurement and maintenance of the Ferries</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
September 20, 2017	Tobago Hotel & Tourism Association Transport Board PATT		In-camera/Public Meeting

ACTIVITIES – COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICES AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

COMMITTEE	MEMBERSHIP	TOTAL MEETINGS ATTENDED	REPORTS	DATE LAID
Committee on Social Services and Public Administration This Committee had a total of eight (8) meetings for the Session.	Dr. Dhanayshar Mahabir (Chairman)	8	First Report - An Inquiry into the Current Level of Violence Among Students in Schools with Particular Focus on Physical and Cyber Bullying	HOR – 07.12.2016
	Brig. Gen. (Ret'd) Ancil Antoine, MP	7		SEN – 19.12.2016
	Mrs. Christine Newallo-Hosein, MP	6		
	Mrs. Glenda Jennings-Smith, MP	5	Second Report - An Inquiry into the Effectiveness of the State's Interventions directed at Socially Displaced Persons in Trinidad and Tobago	HOR – 03.02.2017
	Ms. Khadijah Ameen	6		SEN – 31.01.2017
	Mr. Esmond Forde, MP	4		
	Mr. Rohan Sinanan	1		
	Ms. Nadine Stewart (served until 25.01.2017)	2		
Ms. Ayanna Lewis (14.03.2017-28.06.2017)	3	Third Report - An Examination of existing arrangements and possible options for regulating Geriatric Care Facilities/Old Age Homes in Trinidad and Tobago	HOR – 08.09.2017 SEN – 04.07.2017	

DATES OF MEETINGS	DEPARTMENT	INQUIRY/AGENDA	COMMENTS
November 16, 2016	Ministry of Social Development and Family Services	<i>Inquiry into existing arrangements and possible options for regulating geriatric care facilities/old age homes</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
January 18, 2017	-		In-camera
February 15, 2017	Ministry of Social Development and Family Services; and Ministry of Health	<i>Inquiry into the regulation of Geriatric Homes/Care Facilities</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
	Ministry of Health; and Ministry of Education	<i>Inquiry into the prevalence of Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STDs) amongst school students and into the general services administered to treat STDs in Trinidad and Tobago</i>	
March 15, 2017	Ministry of National Security; and Ministry of Health	<i>Inquiry into the adverse health effects of fireworks</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
April 19, 2017	Environmental Management Authority (EMA); Animal Welfare Network (AWN); Trinidad And Tobago Veterinary Association (TTVA); and Ministry of Agriculture, Land and Fisheries	<i>Inquiry into the adverse health effects of fireworks</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
May 17, 2017	Ministry of Health	<i>Inquiry into the state of Mental Health Services and Facilities in Trinidad and Tobago</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
June 07, 2017	The Trinidad and Tobago Nursing Association (TTRNA); Lifeline; The Nursing Council Of Trinidad And Tobago; and The Trinidad and Tobago Association of Psychologists (TTAP)	<i>Inquiry into the mental health and wellness services and facilities in Trinidad and Tobago</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
September 13, 2017	-	-	In-camera

ACTIVITIES – COMMITTEE ON LOCAL AUTHORITIES, SERVICE COMMISSIONS AND STATUTORY AUTHORITIES

COMMITTEE	MEMBERSHIP	TOTAL MEETINGS ATTENDED	REPORTS	DATE LAID
Committee on Local Authorities, Service Commissions and Statutory Authorities	Mr. H.R. Ian Roach (Chairman)	7	1st Report - An Inquiry into the Land Settlement Agency in relation to Squatter Regularisation.	HOR – 09.11.2016 SEN – 15.11.2016
	Ms. Ramona Ramdial, MP	8		
	Mr. Darryl Smith, MP	4		
	Mr. Stuart Young, MP	3	2nd Report - An inquiry into certain aspects of the administration of the THA.	HOR – 07.12.2016 SEN – 19.12.2016
	Mr. Faris Al Rawi, MP	1		
This Committee had a total of nine (9) meetings for the Session.	Mrs. Jennifer Baptiste-Primus	8		
	Mr. Nigel De Freitas	7	3rd Report - An inquiry into the administration and operations of South-West Regional Health Authority (SWRHA) in relation to the adequacy of medical staff and equipment at the San Fernando General Hospital.	HOR – 15.03.2017 SEN – 14.03.2017
	Mr. Daniel Solomon (served until 21.03.2017)	2		
	Ms. Khadijah Ameen (wef 22.03.2017)	5	4th Report - An inquiry into the regulation and licensing of Medical Doctors by the Medical Board of Trinidad and Tobago.	HOR – 08.09.2017 SEN – 06.07.2017

DATES OF MEETINGS	DEPARTMENT	INQUIRY/AGENDA	COMMENTS
September 28, 2016 November 11, 2016	- Medical Board of Trinidad and Tobago Ministry of Health National Insurance Property Development Company	- <i>Inquiry into the Regulation and Licensing of medical doctors by the Medical Board of Trinidad and Tobago</i>	In-camera In-camera/Public Meeting
November 30, 2016 February 08, 2017	- Police Service Commission Service Commissions Department	- <i>Inquiry into the Efficiency and Effectiveness of the Police Service Commission</i>	In-camera In-camera/Public Meeting
March 03, 2017 March 22, 2017	- Teaching Service Commission Service Commissions Department	- <i>A public hearing with officials of the Teaching Service Commission and the Ministry of Education</i>	In-camera In-camera/Public Meeting
April 26, 2017	Public Service Commission Service Commissions Department, Office of the Prime Minister, Ministry of Public Administration and Communications	<i>Meeting with officials of the Public Service Commission (PSC) and the Statutory Authorities Service Commission (SASC)</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
May 24, 2017	Chaguaramas Development Authority Ministry of Planning and Development	<i>Inquiry into certain aspects of the Operations of the Chaguaramas Development Authority (CDA)</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
June 28, 2017	Chaguaramas Development Authority, Diego Martin Regional Corporation, Trinidad and Tobago Tour Guides Association	<i>Inquiry into certain aspects of the operations of the Chaguaramas Development Authority (CDA)</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting

ACTIVITIES – COMMITTEE ON STATE ENTERPRISES

COMMITTEE	MEMBERSHIP	TOTAL MEETINGS ATTENDED	REPORTS	DATE LAID		
Committee on State Enterprises This Committee had a total of ten (10) meetings for the Session.	Mr. David Small (Chairman)	10	First Report - An Inquiry into the Administration and Operations of the Petroleum Company of Trinidad and Tobago (PETROTRIN).	HOR – 09.11.2016		
	Dr. Lester Henry	7		SEN – 15.11.2016		
	Brig. Gen. (Ret'd) Ancil Antoine, MP	8	Second Report - An Inquiry into the Administration and Operations of the Urban Development Corporation of Trinidad and Tobago Limited (UDeCOTT).	HOR – 09.11.2016		
	Mr. Adrian Leonce, MP	7		SEN – 15.11.2016		
	Mr. Fazal Karim, MP	9		Third Report - An Inquiry into the Administration and Operations of the National Gas Company of Trinidad and Tobago Limited (NGC).	HOR – 09.11.2016	
	Mrs. Cherrie-Ann Crichlow-Cockburn, MP	5			SEN – 15.11.2016	
	Ms. Allyson Baksh	7			Fourth Report - An Inquiry into the Operations and Administration of the Vehicle Management Corporation of Trinidad and Tobago with specific focus on the repair and acquisition of vehicles for State Bodies.	HOR – 30.06.2017
	Mr. Wade Mark	8				SEN – 04.07.2017
			Fifth Report - An inquiry into the Administration and Operations of Caribbean Airlines Limited.	HOR – SEN – 19.09.2017		
			Sixth Report - An inquiry into the borrowing practices of State Enterprises with an emphasis on regulation of borrowing, purposes for borrowed funds, and sustainability of debt servicing ratios.	HOR – SEN – 19.09.2017		

DATES OF MEETINGS	DEPARTMENT	INQUIRY/AGENDA	COMMENTS
November 04, 2017	-	-	In-camera
January 09, 2017	-	<i>Meeting with officials from Caribbean Airlines Limited</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
February 07, 2017	-	<i>Inquiry into the operations and administration of VMCOTT</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
March 13, 2017	-	<i>Inquiry into the operations at Caribbean Airlines Limited</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
March 27, 2017	-	-	In-camera
April 24, 2017	-	<i>Inquiry into the borrowing practices of State Enterprises</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
May 08, 2017	-	<i>Examination of Caribbean Airlines Limited</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
June 05, 2017	-	<i>Examination of the Educational Facilities Company Limited</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
June 16, 2017	-	<i>Education Facilities Company Limited</i>	In-camera/Public Meeting
September 19, 2017	-	-	In-camera

AD HOC JOINT SELECT COMMITTEES

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

COMMITTEE	MEMBERSHIP	REPORT	DATE LAID
Joint Select Committee - The Tax Information Exchange Agreements Bill, 2016	Mr. Colm Imbert, MP Mr. Faris Al-Rawi, MP Mr. Stuart Young, MP	Interim Report of the Joint Select Committee appointed to consider the Tax Information Exchange Agreements Bill, 2016	HOR – SEN –
	Ms. Marlene McDonald, MP Dr. Bhoendradatt Tewarie, MP Dr. Tim Gopeesingh, MP Mr. H.R. Ian Roach Mr. Gerald Ramdeen Mr. W. Michael Coppin Mr. Clarence Rambharat Mrs. Paula Gopee-Scoon Mr. Taurel Shrikissoon	Report of the Joint Select Committee appointed to consider the Tax Information Exchange Agreements Bill, 2016	HOR – 23.02.2017 SEN –07.03.2017
Joint Select Committee - The Gambling (Gaming and Betting) Control Bill, 2016	Mr. Colm Imbert, MP Mr. Faris Al-Rawi, MP Mr. Stuart Young, MP	The Interim Report of the Joint Select Committee appointed to consider and report on the Gambling (Gaming and Betting) Control Bill, 2016	HOR – 15.03.2017 SEN – 21.03.2017
	Ms. Nicole Olivierre, MP Mr. Ganga Singh, MP Mr. Rudranath Indarsingh, MP	The Second Interim Report of the Joint Select Committee appointed to consider and report on the Gambling (Gaming and Betting) Control Bill, 2016	HOR – 19.05.2017 SEN – 23.05.2017
	Ms. Melissa Ramkissoon Mr. Wade Mark Mr. Foster Cummings Mr. W. Michael Coppin	The Third Interim Report of the Joint Select Committee appointed to consider and report on the Gambling (Gaming and Betting) Control Bill, 2016	HOR – 30.06.2017 SEN – 04.07.2017
	Mrs. Paula Gopee-Scoon Mr. Paul Richards	Report of the Joint Select Committee on the Gambling (Gaming and Betting) Control Bill, 2017	HOR – 15.09.2017 SEN – 19.09.2017

Joint Select Committee - The Insurance Bill, 2016	Mr. Colm Imbert, MP Mr. Faris Al-Rawi, MP Mr. Fitzgerald Hinds, MP Ms. Marlene McDonald, MP Mr. David Lee, MP Dr. Surujrattan Rambachan, MP	Interim Report of the Joint Select Committee appointed to consider and report on the Insurance Bill, 2016	HOR – 15.03.2017 SEN – 21.03.2017
	Mr. Stephen Creese Mr. Wayne Sturge Dr. Lester Henry	Second Interim Report of the Joint Select Committee appointed to consider and report on the Insurance Bill, 2016	HOR – 05.05.2017 SEN – 02.05.2017
	Mr. Daniel Dookie Mr. Clarence Rambharat Ms. Jennifer Raffoul	Third Interim Report of the Joint Select Committee appointed to consider and report on the Insurance Bill, 2016	HOR – 02.06.2017 SEN – 06.06.2017
		Fourth Interim Report of the Joint Select Committee appointed to consider and report on the Insurance Bill, 2016	HOR – 30.06.2017 SEN – 04.07.2017
		Report of the Joint Select Committee appointed to consider and report on the Insurance Bill, 2016	HOR – 08.09.2017
Joint Select Committee - The Cybercrime Bill, 2017	Mr. Faris Al-Rawi, MP Maj. Gen. (Ret'd) Edmund Dillon, MP Mr. Fitzgerald Hinds, MP Ms. Shamfa Cudjoe, MP Dr. Roodal Moonilal, MP Mr. Barry Padarath, MP Ms. Melissa Ramkissoon Mr. Wade Mark Mr. W. Michael Coppin Mr. Dennis Moses Mr. Clarence Rambharat Mr. Paul Richards	Interim Report of the Joint Select Committee appointed to consider and report on the Cybercrime Bill, 2017	HOR – 30.06.2017 SEN – 04.07.2017
		Report of the Joint Select Committee appointed to consider and report on the Cybercrime Bill, 2017	HOR – 15.09.2017 SEN – 19.09.2017

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 in the Ministry of the Attorney General (wef 30.06.2017) Minister of Public Utilities (until 29.06.2017) Minister of Works and Transport (until 30.10.2016)
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. Anthony Garcia	Member for Arima Minister of Education
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'd) 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. Maxie Cuffie	Member for La Horquetta/Talparo Minister of Public Administration and Communication
18. Hon. Darryl Smith	Member for Diego Martin Central Minister of Sport and Youth Affairs
19. Hon. Dr. Lovell Francis	Member for Moruga/Tableland Minister of State in the Ministry of Education
20. Mrs. Glenda Jennings-Smith	Member for Toco/Sangre Grande Parliamentary Secretary in the Ministry of National Security
21. Ms. Nicole Olivierre	Member for La Brea Parliamentary Secretary in the Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries (wef 30.06.2017) Minister of Energy and Energy Industries (until 30.10.2016)
22. Hon. Brig. Gen. (Ret'd) Ancil Antoine	Member for D'Abadie/O'Meara Minister of Public Utilities (until 30.10.2016)

MEMBER		PORTFOLIO
23. Mr. Adrian Leonce	Member for Laventille East/Morvant	
24. Ms. Marlene McDonald	Member for Port of Spain South	Minister of Public Utilities (from 30.06.2017 to 01.07.2017)
OPPOSITION		
25. Mr. David Lee	Member for Pointe-a-Pierre	
26. Hon. Kamla Persad-Bissessar, SC	Member for Siparia	Leader of the Opposition
27. Mr. Rodney Charles	Member for Naparima	
28. Dr. Surujrattan Rambachan	Member for Tabaquite	
29. Mr. Fazal Karim	Member for Chaguanas East	
30. Dr. Bhoendradatt Tewarie	Member for Caroni Central	
31. Dr. Roodal Moonilal	Member for Oropouche East	
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. Mr. Rudranath Indarsingh	Member for Couva South	
36. Mr. Prakash Ramadhar	Member for St. Augustine	
37. Dr. Fuad Khan	Member for Barataria/San Juan	
38. Mr. Ganga Singh	Member for Chaguanas West	
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 Kangaloo	President of the Senate
GOVERNMENT	
2. Sen. the Hon. Franklin Khan	Minister of Energy and Energy Industries (wef 31.10.16) Minister of Rural Development and Local Government (until 30.10.2016)
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. the Hon. Rohan Sinanan	Minister of Works and Transport (wef 31.10.2016)
7. Sen. the Hon. Dennis Moses	Minister of Foreign and CARICOM Affairs and Minister in the Ministry of National Security
8. Sen. the Hon. Kazim Hosein	Minister of Rural Development and Local Government (wef 31.10.2016)
9. Sen. the Hon. Allyson West	Minister in the Ministry of Finance (w.e.f. 30.06.2017)
10. Sen. Dr. Lester Henry	
11. Sen. Avinash Singh	Parliamentary Secretary in the Ministry of Agriculture, Land and Fisheries
12. Sen. the Hon. Robert Le Hunte	Minister of Public Utilities (wef 31.08.2017)
13. Sen. Foster Cummings	
14. Sen. Nigel De Freitas	Vice President of the Senate
15. Sen. Allyson Baksh	
16. Sen. Daniel Dookie	
Sen. W. Michael Coppin	Until 24.08.2017
Sen. Ayanna Lewis	Until 29.06.2017
Sen. Nadine Stewart	Until 25.01.2017
Sen. Sarah Budhu	Until 31.10.2016
OPPOSITION	
17. Sen. Wade Mark	Leader of Opposition Business
18. Sen. Daniel Solomon	
19. Sen. Khadijah Ameen	
20. Sen. Wayne Sturge	
21. Sen. Rodger Samuel	
22. Sen. Gerald Ramdeen	

NAME OF SENATOR	PORTFOLIO
Sen. Gerald Hadeed	Until 20.10.2016
	INDEPENDENT
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	
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 IN THE SENATE ON A TEMPORARY BASIS

Government	Opposition	Independent
1. Ms. Ayanna Lewis	1. Mr. Gerald Ramdeen	1. Mr. Clive Dottin
2. Ms. Alisha Romano	2. Mr. Wayne Munro	2. Dr. Maulana Waffie Mohammed
3. Mr. Imran Mohammed	3. Mr. Bhadase Seetahal-Maraj	3. Mr. Nikoli Edwards
4. Mr. Augustus Thomas	4. Mr. Raphael Cumberbatch	4. Mr. Albert Sydney
5. Mr. Ndale Young	5. Ms. Racquel Ghany	5. Mr. John Heath
6. Mr. Ronald Huggins	6. Mr. Sean Sobers	
	7. Ms. Christlyn Moore	
	8. Mrs. Sharla Alexander-Dolabaille	

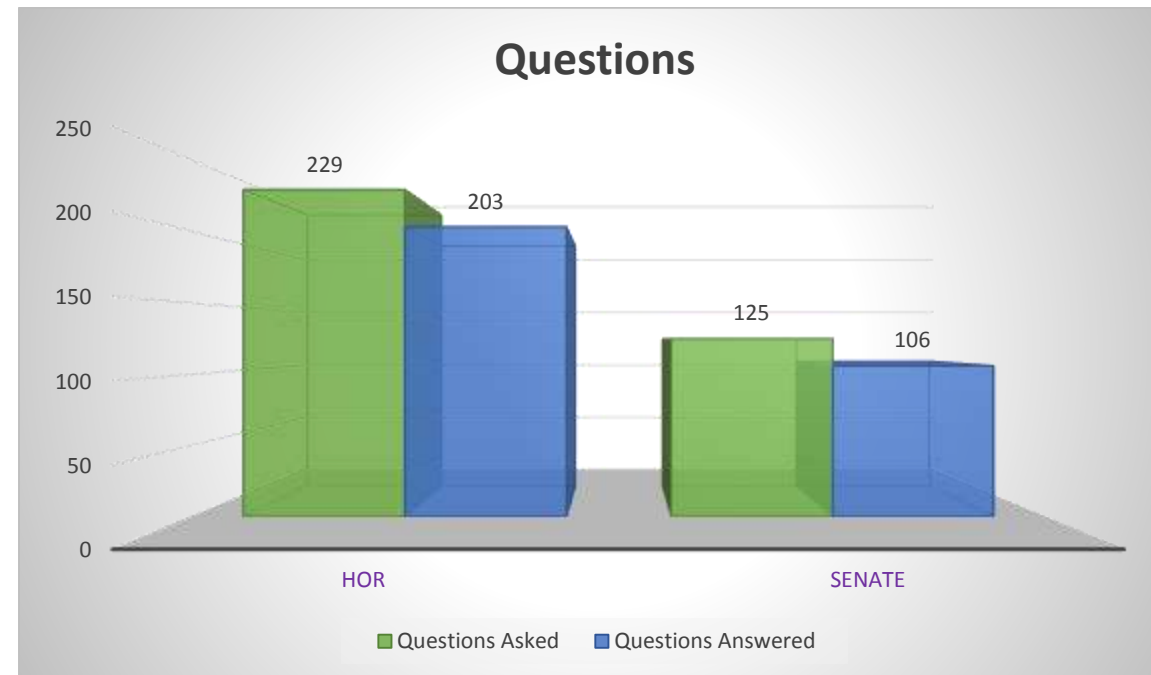
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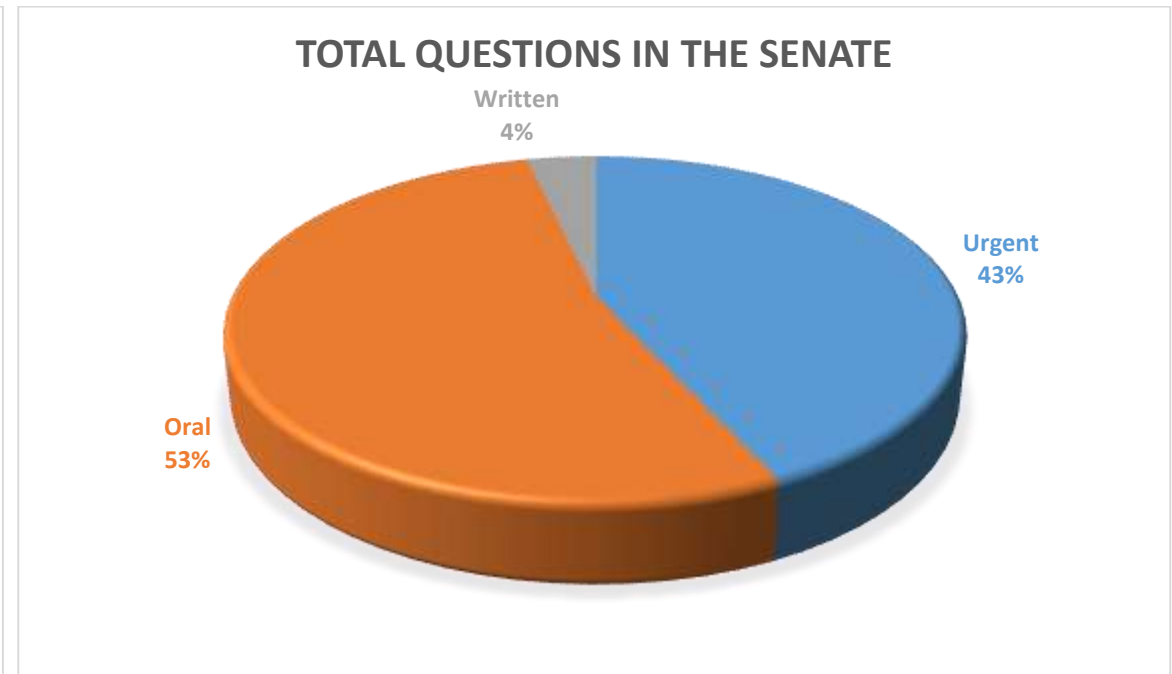
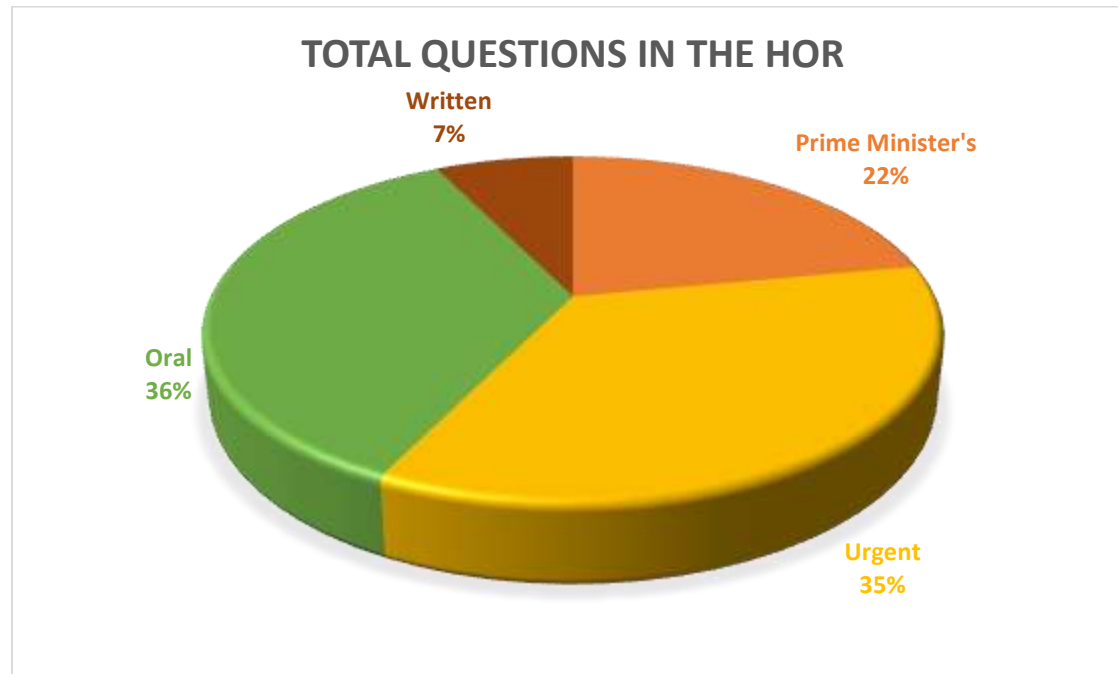
ACTS ASSENTED TO

Act No.	TITLE	DATE OF ASSENT
8 of 2016	The Remedies of Creditors (Amendment) Act, 2016	23.09.2016
9 of 2016	The Appropriation (Financial Year 2017) Act 2016	27.10.2016
10 of 2016	The Finance (No. 3) Act 2016	23.12.2016
1 of 2017	The Tobago House of Assembly Election (Validation) Act, 2017	21.01.2017
2 of 2017	The Finance (Variation of Appropriation)(Financial Year 2016) Act, 2017	25.01.2017
3 of 2017	The Public Procurement and Disposal of Public Property (Amendment) Act, 2017	13.03.2017
4 of 2017	The Tax Information Exchange Agreements (United States of America) Act, 2017	20.03.2017
5 of 2017	The International Financial Organisations (Corporación Andina de Fomento) Act, 2017	13.04.2017
6 of 2017	The Finance (Variation of Appropriation) (Financial Year 2017) Act, 2017	22.05.2017
7 of 2017	The Fire Services (Amendment) Act, 2017	12.06.2017
8 of 2017	The Miscellaneous Provisions (Marriage) Act, 2017	22.06.2017
9 of 2017	The Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic (Amendment) Act, 2017	27.07.2017
10 of 2017	The Miscellaneous Provisions (Trial By Judge Alone) Act, 2017	07.07.2017

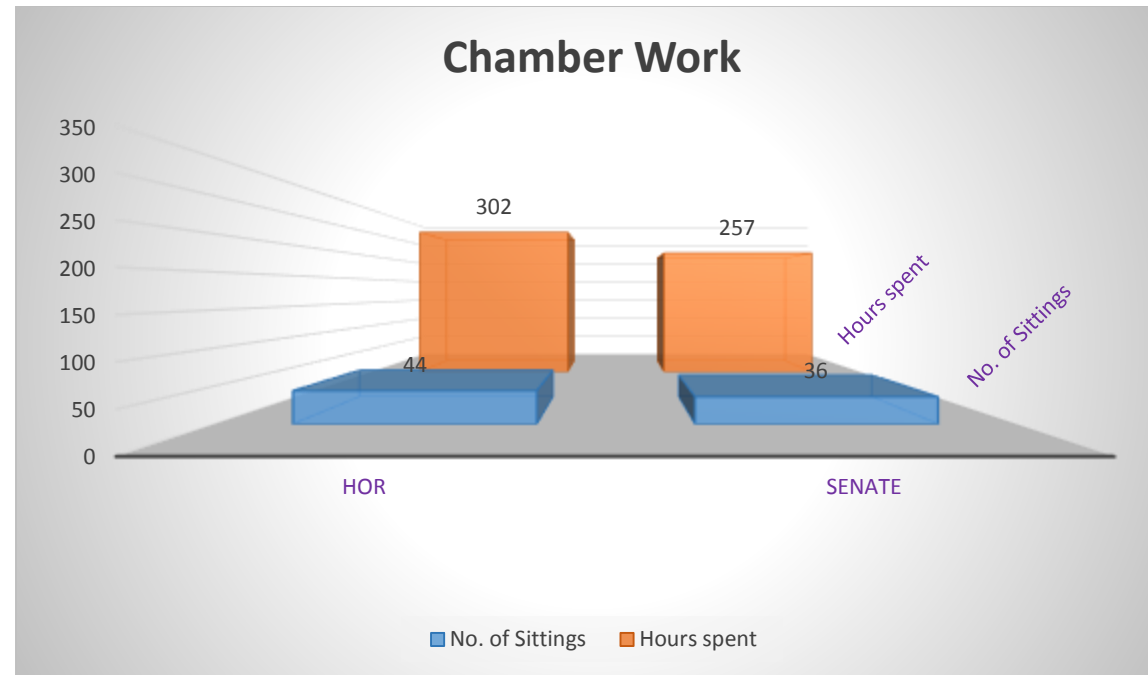
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COMPARATIVE GRAPHS

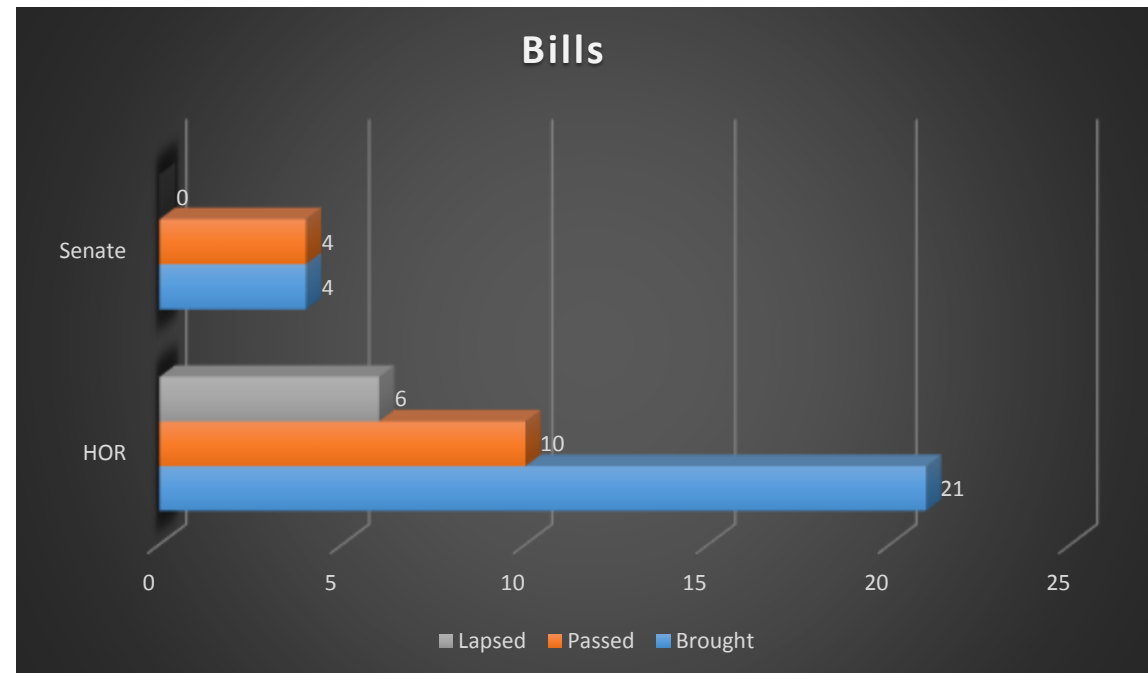
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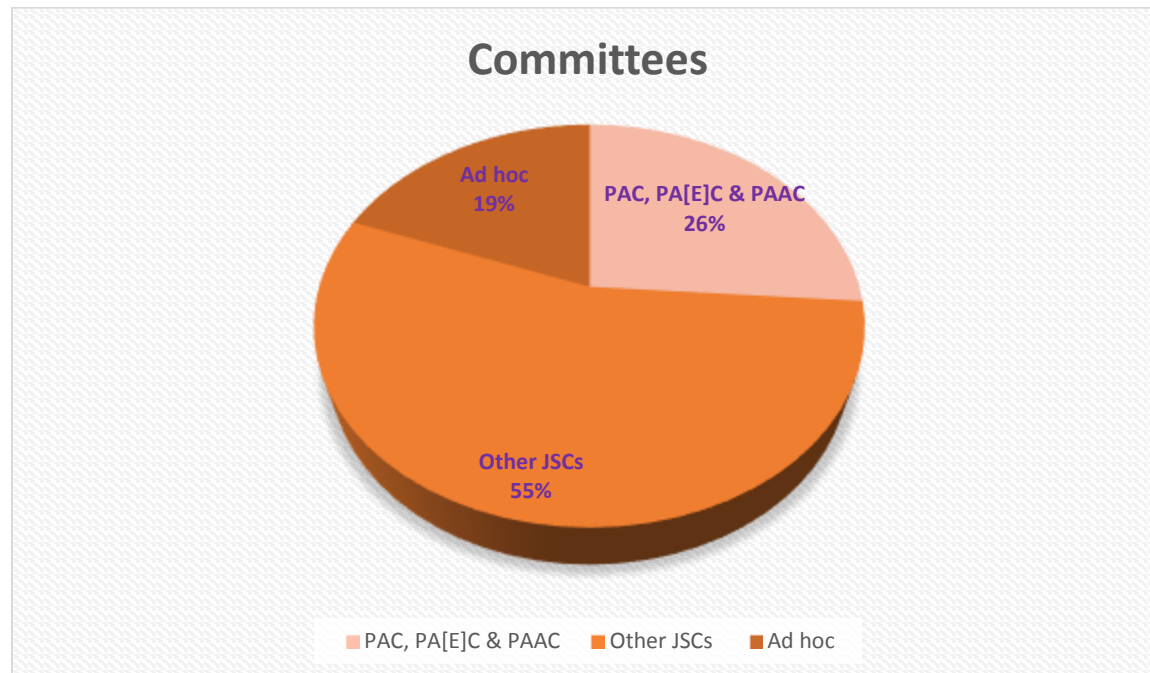




Chamber Hours







Other JSCs –

- The Parliamentary Broadcasting Committee
- 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

- ❖ Prime Minister before a JSC – Dr. Keith Rowley, MP became the first sitting Prime Minister in the Country’s history to appear before a Joint Select Committee of Parliament. On Monday September 18, 2017 the Prime Minister appeared before the Committee on Land and Physical Infrastructure which was investigating the Inter Island Ferry Service.
- ❖ 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 January 20, 2017 and January 21, 2017 in the Senate.
- ❖ Procedural Bulletin – Procedural Bulletin No. 2 was issued in the Senate on September 23, 2016 and September 26, 2016 in the House of Representatives. The bulletin addressed the Committee on Government Assurances and the method or manner by which those assurances will be monitored in the Chamber.
- ❖ Casting Vote – the Speaker used her Casting Vote, in favour of the Government, three (3) times in the House of Representatives on Friday September 08, 2017.
- ❖ Legislation –There were several pieces of noteworthy Legislation put forward during the Session.
 1. The Miscellaneous Provisions (Marriage) Bill, 2016
 2. The Tax Information Exchange (United States of America) Bill, 2016. [FACTA]
 3. The Miscellaneous Provisions (Trial By Judge Alone) Bill, 2017
 4. The Indictable Offences (Pre-Trial Procedure) Bill, 2017
 5. The Criminal Procedure (Plea Discussion and Plea Agreement) Bill, 2017
 6. Bail Access to Bail (Amendment) Bill, 2017