BRITISH GUIANA

FIRST LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL under the British Guiana (Constitution)(Temporary Provisions) Order in Council, 1953.

THIRD SESSION

1956 - 1957

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FRIDAY, 21ST JUNE, 1957.

AT 2.00 P.M.

PRAYERS -

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Thursday, 20th June, 1957.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER -

PAPERS TO BE LAID -

By the Attorney General:

Preliminary Report of the Land Registration Committee appointed by the Executive Council to consider and report on the desirability of the introduction of a modern Land Registration System in British Guiana and the form which such system should take: dated 30th day of April, 1957, together with Sessional Paper No. 11/1957 thereon.

(Circulated).

GOVERNMENT NOTICES -1

OTHER NOTICES -

PETITIONS -

ORAL ASKING AND ANSWERING OF QUESTIONS -

STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL -

PERSONAL EXPLANATIONS -

RAISING OF A MATTER OF PRIVILEGE -

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS -

PUBLIC BUSINESS

ORDER OF THE DAY

MOTION

1. The Attorney General to move the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this House agrees to proceed forthwith with the Second Reading of the following Bills:

- D'Abreu Pension Bill, 1957.
 Dias Pension Bill, 957.
 Volunteer (Amendme) Bill, 1957.
 Deeds Registry (Amendment) Bill, 1957.
 Development Fund (1955 and 1956 Appropriation) Bill, 1957.
 Excise Regulations (Amendment) Bill, 1957.
 Post and Telegraph (Amendment) Bill, 1957.
 Local Government (Hopetown and Bel Air
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- Country Districts)(Special Provisions) Bill, 1957. 9. Animals (Control of Experiments) Bill, 1957,

and a resolution regarding superannuation benefits of the Government House Staff.

(Notice was given on 20th June, 1957).

- BILLS Second Reading.
- The Chief Secretary to move the second reading of 2. the following Bill:
 - A BILL intituled AN ORDI ANCE TO MAKE SECIAL PROVISION IN REGARD TO THE PENSION AND GRATUITY PAYABLE TO PAULINE GOMES D'ABREU. (Bill No. 29/1957 published 15.6.57) (Notice was given on 20th June, 1957).
- The Chief Secretary to move the second reading of 3. the following Bill:
 - A BILL intituled AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE SPECIAL PROVISION IN REGARD TO THE PENSION AND GRATUITY PAYABLE TO VIVIAN CHARLES DIAS. (Bill No. 27/1957 published 15.6.57). (Notice was given on 20th June, 1957).
- 4. The Chief Secretary to move the second reading of the following Bill:
 - A BILL intituled AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE VOLUNTEER ORDINANCE. (Bill No. 26/1957 published 15.6.57). (Notice was given on 20th June, 1957).
- The Attorney General to move the second reading of 5. the following Bill:
 - A BILL intituled AN ORDINANCE FURTHER TO AMEND THE DEEDS REGISTRY ORDINANCE. (Bill No. 24/1957 published 15.6.57). (Notice was given on 20th June, 1957).

- 6. The Financial Secretary to move the second reading of the following Bill:
 - A BILL intituled AN OR DINANCE TO MAKE PROVISION FOR THE APPROPRIATION TO THE DEVELOPMENT FUND OF CERTAIN SUMS OF MONEY TRANSFERRED THERETO FROM THE REVENUES AND FUNDS OF THE COLONY. (Bill No. 31/1957 published 17.6.57). (Notice was given on 20th June, 1957).
- 7. The Financial Secretary to move the second reading of the following Bill:
 - A BILL intituled AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE EXCISE REGULATIONS ORDINANCE. (Bill No. 32/1957 published 17.6.57). (Notice was given on 20th June, 1957).
- 8. The Member for Communications and Works to move the second reading of the following Bill:
 - A BILL intituled AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE POST AND TELEGRAPH ORDINANCE. (Bill No. 33/1957 published 17.6.57). (Notice was given on 20th June, 1957).
- 9. The Member for Local Government, Social Welfare and Co-operative Development to move the second reading of the following Bill:
 - A BILL intituled AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE COLLECTION OF RATES LEVIED BY THE HOPETOWN AND BEL AIR COUNTRY AUTHORITIES IN RESPECT OF THE YEAR 1956 AND TO MAKE BETTER PROVISION FOR THE COLLECTION OF MONIES DUE TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES. (Bill No. 30/1957 published 17.6.57). (Notice was given on 20th June, 1957).
- 10. The Member for Labour, Health and Housing to move the second reading of the following Bill:
 - A BILL intituled AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE THE PRACTICE OF EXPERIMENTS ON LIVING ANIMALS AND MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH. (Bill No. 21/1957 published 15.6.57). (Notice was given on 13th June, 1957).

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11. The Chief Secretary to move the following motion:

WHEREAS the salaries and wages of the domestic employees employed at Government House were provided for in the Estimates since 1955 and such employees thereupon became Government employees entitled to superannuation benefits in accordance with the rules for such benefits; and WHEREAS prior to 1955, the said employees were not entitled to such superannuation benefits: and

THEREAS the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council at a meeting held on 3rd January, 1955, had agreed that the service of such employees prior to 1955, should be treated for superannuation purposes as if such service had been with the Government:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this Council approves of the service prior to the 1st January, 1955 of persons employed as domestic employees on and after that date at Government House being deemed to be service with the Government so that such service may be included in calculating the superannuation benefits to be paid to such employees on their retirement in accordance with the existing rules governing such awards approved by Council by Resolution No. LII of the 6th July, 1951 as amended by Resolution No.LVI of the 8th May, 1957. (Notice was given on 20th June, 1957).

12. The Member for Agriculture, Forests, Lands and Mines to move the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this Council approves of the Fisheries (Licences) Regulations, 1957, and the Fisheries (Marketing) Regulations, 1957, made by the Governor in Council on the 19th May, 1957.

(Notice was given on 20th June, 1957).

BILL - Second Reading.

- 13. The Chief Secretary to move the second reading of the following Bill:
 - A BILL intituled AN ORDINANCE FURTHER TO AMEND THE MARRIAGE ORDINANCE. (Bill No. 17/1957 published 11.5.57). (Notice was given on 16th May, 1957).

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14. Mr. Luckhoo to move the following motion:

WHEREAS under the Rice Farmers (Security of Tenure) Ordinance, 1956, tenant rice farmers commit an offence by keeping their oxen on the holding after cultivation, reaping and threshing;

AND WHEREAS these tenants in many cases have nowhere to keep their animals and have in the past kept their animals on the holding:

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That section 56(3) of Ordinance No. 31 of 1956, Rice Farmers (Security of Tenure) Ordinance, 1956, be repealed. (Notice was given on 29th November, 1956).

15. Mr. Luckhoo to move the following motion:

WHEREAS the tenants of lands at Ruimveldt and Alexander Village are suffering great hardship since they cannot freely sell, repair or sublet their own houses; and

WHEREAS these lands are included in the Industrial Zone of the Greater Georgetown Plan:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this House respectfully recommends to Government that Government should either forthwith rehouse the tenants as was undertaken to be done by Government, or take the necessary steps to have the Ruimveldt and Alexander Village areas excluded from the Industrial Zone in the Greater Georgetown Plan. (Notice was given on 22nd November, 1956).