



SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

ORDER PAPER

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MONDAY 30TH JANUARY, 2017

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15TH DECEMBER, 2016**

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PAPERS

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2017 Estimates of St. Vincent and the Grenadines
(Honourable Prime Minister/Minister of Finance)
2. **House of Assembly Papers 2 of 2017**
Financial Services Authority St. Vincent & the Grenadines
Annual Report Financial Statements
For the year ended December 31st, 2015
(Honourable Prime Minister/Minister of Finance)

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1. Major, the Honourable St. Clair Leacock, (Member Central Kingstown) to ask the Honourable, to ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Finance, National Security, Legal Affairs and Grenadines Affairs:

The 2016 Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures showed that the Government was short by just over 150 million dollars to take care of current expenditures. Now that the fiscal year is ended and a new one 2017 is about to begin, would the Honourable Prime Minister oblige the Honourable House to explain or clarify just how the deficit was made up?

- a) Were there loans;
- b) Did we have cuts in Goods and Services, if so by how much;
- c) Did the \$105 million in transfers happen? If not how close did we get since we have been experiencing lots of unanticipated expenses, how come that we have not had any special warrants for some time?

2. Major, the Honourable St. Clair Leacock, (Member Central Kingstown) to ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Finance, National Security, Legal Affairs and Grenadines Affairs:

I have raised before in this Honourable house the sorry state of the public bath in Sharpes. I have had no success. Sad enough the situation is worse in other communities and public areas in the city. I now bring to the attention of the Honourable Prime Minister the situation in:

- a) The South River Road (Heritage Square area) where the Comfort Station is closed on Friday nights and other festive occasions when the service is needed most;
- b) The putrid situation of the public bath in Block 2000 notwithstanding a current initiative by some "good souls";
- c) The toilet in the Central Market and Little Tokyo;
- d) The age old and ancient latrine system at the toilets just inside Little Tokyo entrance and at Rose Place by the bridge opposite Randy's?

3. Major, the Honourable St. Clair Leacock, (Member Central Kingstown) to ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Finance, National Security, Legal Affairs and Grenadines Affairs:

Honourable Minister

- a) Could a concerted effort be made to light any of the following playing fields in Central Kingstown in Fiscal Year 2017:
- I. Sharpes Playing Field
 - II. Green Hill Playing Field
 - III. Largo Height Playing Field
- b) At least the acquiring of land for the construction of a hard court in Redemption Sharpes?

ORDERS OF THE DAY

(Government Orders are marked thus*)

MOTIONS

1*. 2017 ESTIMATES OF ST. VINCENT & THE GRENADINES

To be moved by Dr. the Honourable Ralph Gonsalves, Prime Minister/Minister of Finance.

WHEREAS section 70(1) of the Constitution of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines provides that the Minister for the time being responsible for finance shall cause to be prepared and laid before the House of Assembly before, or not later than thirty days after, the commencement of each financial year estimates of the revenues and expenditure of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines for that financial year;

AND WHEREAS section 70 (2) of the Constitution provides for the approval of the estimates of expenditure by the House;

AND WHEREAS the Government had additionally decided to prepare estimates on a triennial basis:

BE IT RESOLVED, that this Honourable House of Assembly do adopt the Estimates for the financial year ending 31st December, 2017;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Honourable House note the projections for the financial years ending 31st December, 2018 and 31st December, 2019.

BILLS

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| 1*. | Appropriation Bill, 2017
(Honourable Prime Minister/Minister of Finance) | 1 st Reading |
| 2*. | Argyle International Airport (Loan Authorisation) Bill, 2017
(Honourable Prime Minister/Minister of Finance) | 1 st Reading |
| 3*. | Public Sector Investment Loan Bill, 2017
(Honourable Prime Minister/Minister of Finance) | 1 st Reading |

RESOLUTIONS

To be moved by Dr. the Honourable Ralph Gonsalves, Prime Minister/Minister of Finance

1*. **BE IT RESOLVED** that this Honourable House do authorise the Minister of Finance to borrow by means of fluctuating overdraft or otherwise from First Caribbean Bank, or the RBTT Bank Limited, or the Bank of Nova Scotia, or the Bank of St. Vincent and the Grenadines, money to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate fifty million dollars, during the period 1st January, 2017 to 31st December, 2017 for the purpose of meeting the current requirements of the Government.

APPOINTMENT OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

ADJOURNMENT