

REPUBLIC OF KENYA



ELEVENTH PARLIAMENT-(THIRD SESSION)

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

MESSAGES

MESSAGE (NO. 21 OF 2015)

REFERRAL BY H.E. THE PRESIDENT OF:

- i. THE CENTRAL BANK OF KENYA (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2014
- ii. THE PUBLIC PROCUREMENT AND DISPOSAL (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2013; AND
- iii. THE RETIREMENT BENEFITS (DEPUTY PRESIDENT AND DESIGNATED STATE OFFICERS) BILL, 2013.

Honourable Members,

You may recall that during the months of February, March and April, 2015, the National Assembly passed the Central Bank of Kenya (Amendment) Bill, 2014, the Public Procurement and Disposal (Amendment) Bill, 2013, and the Retirement Benefits (Deputy President and Designated State Officers) Bill, 2013, respectively. Thereafter, I presented the Bills for Assent to H.E. the President on 13th May, 2015, in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution and our Standing Orders. However, on 27th May, 2015, H.E. the President, by way of a Memorandum, referred the Bills back to the National Assembly for reconsideration, pursuant to the provisions of Article 115(1)(b) of the Constitution.

On the Central Bank (Amendment) Bill, 2014, which was sponsored by the Member for Mukurweini, Hon. Kabando wa Kabando, MP, H.E. the President has recommended the **deletion of sub-section (2) of Clause 2**. Consequently, should the House concur with the President's recommendation, it follows that there will be no amendment to the Central Bank Act. The Departmental Committee on Finance, Planning and Trade to which this Memorandum is hereby referred to, is therefore guided accordingly.

The Second Memorandum by H.E. the President, is asking the House to **set aside** the enactment of the Public Procurement and Disposal (Amendment) Bill, 2013, which was originally sponsored by the Hon. Johnson Sakaja.

H.E. the President is of the view that the Sections to which this Bill was proposing to amend have since been repealed by the passage of the Public Procurement and Asset

Disposal Bill, 2015. I will therefore, not refer the Memorandum to any Committee as its effect is *fait accompli*.

Honourable Members,

The Third Memorandum by H.E. the President relates to the Retirement Benefits (Deputy President and Designated State Officers) Bill, 2013, which I therefore refer to the Departmental Committee on Finance, Planning and Trade. Since the House has up-to twenty one (21) days within which to consider the President's recommendations, the Committee should report to the House on or before Thursday 18th June 2015.

Thank you!

HE HON. JUSTIN B.N. MUTURI, EGH, MP
SPEAKER OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

9th June 2015