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TUESDAY: Communication from the Chair, Messages, Petitions, Papers, Notices of
04/06/2019 Motion, Statements, Motions and Bills.

A. *THE MENTAL HEALTH (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 32 OF 2018)
(Sen. (Arch.) Sylvia Kasanga, MP)
(Second Reading)
(Resumption of debate interrupted on Wednesday, 29th May, 2019)

B. *THE KENYA MEDICAL SUPPLIES AUTHORITY (AMENDMENT) BILL
(SENATE BILLS NO. 38 OF 2018)
(Sen. Mary Seneta, MP)
(Second Reading)

C. **THE COUNTY HALL OF FAME BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 39 OF 2018)**
(The Senate Majority Leader)
(Second Reading)

D. *THE PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS
NO. 1 OF 2019)
(Sen. Aaron Cheruiyot, MP and Sen. Isaac Mwaura, MP)
(Second Reading)

E. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
***THE LOCAL CONTENT BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 10 OF 2018)**
(Sen. Gideon Moi, MP)

F. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
****THE STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS**
NO. 24 OF 2018)
(Chairperson, Sessional Committee on Delegated Legislation)

G. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

*****THE COUNTY GOVERNMENTS RETIREMENT SCHEME BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILLS NO. 10 OF 2018)**

(The Senate Majority Leader)

H. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

***THE TEA BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 36 OF 2018)**

(Sen. Aaron Cheruiyot, MP)

I. MOTION - ESTABLISHMENT OF NATION-WIDE CENTRES AND SATELLITE CLINICS FOR SICKLE CELL DISEASE AT COUNTY, SUB-COUNTY AND WARD LEVELS.

(Sen. Naomi Masitsa Shiyonga, MP)

THAT, AWARE THAT Article 43(1)(a) of the Constitution provides that every person has the right to the highest attainable standard of health, which includes the right to health care services, including reproductive health care;

NOTING THAT, Parliament enacted the Health Act (2017) whose objects encompass the need to establish a national health system at the national and county levels, as well as to facilitate, in a progressive and equitable manner, the highest attainable standards of health services;

FURTHER NOTING THAT the Health Act (2017) further has the object to protect, respect, promote and fulfil the health rights of all persons in Kenya to the progressive realization of their right to the highest attainable standard of health, including reproductive health care and the right to emergency medical treatment;

ACKNOWLEDGING THAT Sickle Cell Disease, a severe hereditary form of anaemia in which a mutated form of haemoglobin distorts the red blood cells into a crescent shape at low oxygen levels, and is prevalent amongst those of African descent, has been acknowledged by World Health Organization (WHO) as a major public health priority which has had devastating effects on populations in many parts of Kenya;

FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGING the need for comprehensive information and care programs for Sickle Cell Disease is occasioned by the poor public awareness, unavailability of routine health data and nationally recognised treatment guidelines;

CONCERNED by the lack of national screening programmes for Sickle Cell Disease despite the serious health problems it causes, and its contribution to childhood deaths in Kenya;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Senate urges the Kenya Government through County Governments to establish nation-wide screening at existing medical centres and satellite clinics, and the provision of counselling on the management of sickle cell disease, a lifelong medical condition that has no cure, at the county, sub-county and ward levels.

*(Resumption of debate interrupted on Thursday, 30th May, 2019)
(Balance of Time – 2 hours 09 minutes)*

J. MOTION - COMPLETION OF ALL STALLED PROJECTS UNDER COUNTY GOVERNMENTS THROUGH BUDGETARY MANAGEMENT

(Sen. Charles Reubenson Kibiru, MP)

THAT, AWARE THAT Kenya has had a development blueprint of Vision 2030 since 2008 which has guided planning and development for the last decade, with a focus to making Kenya an industrialized middle income economy with a higher per capita income for its citizens;

FURTHER AWARE THAT, the development planning of the country is funded from the Consolidated Fund through the annual budget whereby revenues generated by Kenyans through taxes, levies, and fees that are supplemented with support of development partners in the form of outright loans, conditional loans, grants and/or unconditional grants to support growth and development across the country;

COGNIZANT THAT, any diversion from the Vision 2030 blueprint as well as the President's "Big Four" Agenda, would negatively impact the development trajectory that seeks to ensure a long term microeconomic stability resulting in a revision of targets on the goals for socio-economic, cultural, environmental, technological and political transformation;

NOTING THAT, whereas the National Government's Budget is based on Vision 2030 and "Big Four" Agenda, the County Governments' Budgets are based on their respective County Integrated Development Plans, (CIDPs) which are expected to dovetail with the overall national development blueprint;

CONCERNED THAT, there are glaring discrepancies in progress made in development among counties, particularly among the 14 devolved functions caused by lack of accountability, integrity, professionalism and remaining a blemish on the successes of devolution;

ACKNOWLEDGING, the tribulations, ridicule, pecuniary embarrassment and negative socio-economic impact that pending bills have had on the local business community who supplied or undertook a service for the county governments, and the attendant slowdown in actual project completion, the rise in stalled projects dotting counties, with County Governors prioritizing new projects instead of the completion of those which have stalled;

FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGING THAT, the National Treasury in its circular No. 9/2018 detailed the five hundred and forty five (545) projects which have stalled in the 47 Counties, and their status of completion, collectively amounting to an estimated project cost of three hundred and sixty six (366) Billion Kenya shillings;

NOW THEREFORE, the Senate recommends that the National Treasury in partnership with the Controller of Budget, Commission on Revenue Allocation, the Council of Governors and the County Assemblies Forum to-

1. Ensure that all the County Integrated Development Plans (CIDP's) and Annual Development Plans (ADP's) are aligned to Vision 2030 with an implementation, monitoring, and evaluation framework in place;
2. Address Pending Bills by prioritizing their payment, creating clear timeframes for payment and publishing a schedule of payment of the same; and
3. Prioritize the completion of stalled development projects prior to undertaking or funding new projects.

K. MOTION - RENAMING OF MURANG'A UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY TO KENNETH MATIBA UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY.

(Sen. Isaac Mwaura, MP)

THAT AWARE THAT, Murang'a University of Technology (MUT) is a Chartered University established under Section 13 of the Universities Act, 2012, and is positioning itself to develop a distinctive profile as a progressive and international Technical University, growing its enrolment strategically;

FURTHER AWARE that the University is located in Murang'a County, the home County of the late politician Kenneth Njindo Matiba, who died a patriotic and political hero, with numerous achievements spanning four decades;

NOTING THAT, the late Matiba was a prolific industrialist in the hospitality and education sector, and an accomplished public servant having served as the first indigenous African Permanent Secretary for Education in 1963; Permanent Secretary for Commerce; Chairperson of the Kenya Football Federation from 1974-78; a member of parliament for Kiharu constituency; Cabinet Minister for Health; Culture & Social Services; and Transport & Communications;

FURTHER NOTING THAT, the late Matiba was part of the opposition alliance that led the liberation struggle for the restoration of multi-party democracy through the Forum for the Restoration of Democracy (FORD), later founding FORD –Asili under which he ran for presidency in 1992 general election;

COGNIZANT that under the Heroes Act, 2014, the state is obliged to confer recognition to the late statesman for his cardinal contributions to the political and economic growth of this country;

FURTHER COGNIZANT that other patriotic Kenyans like Jomo Kenyatta, Daniel arap Moi, Masinde Muliro, Dedan Kimathi and Jaramogi Oginga Odinga have been accorded such recognition;

NOW THEREFORE, the Senate urges the National Government in remembrance of Matiba's contribution to our Nation, to rename Murang'a University of Technology to Kenneth Matiba University of Technology.

L. MOTION - CREATION OF SUPPORT SERVICES FOR THE DISCIPLINED FORCES & THEIR FAMILIES

(Sen. George Khaniri, MP)

THAT APPRECIATING the commitment and sacrifice by members of the disciplined forces in protecting our country from both internal and external aggression;

AWARE of the risky and stressful environment that the officers are exposed to daily in the line of duty, combined with the increased terrorism threats at home, and abroad;

NOTING that members of the disciplined forces, and by extension, their families are exposed to traumatic incidents both at home and abroad that manifest as living in constant fear, debilitating depression, nightmares, crippling anxiety and thoughts of suicide commonly referred

to as Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) leaving them exposed to the stigma of society and unable to care for themselves and their families the way they could before;

RECOGNIZING that there is no structured national comprehensive program for post-traumatic stress counseling either for active or returning soldiers and their families;

NOW THEREFORE the Senate calls upon the Ministry of Interior and Co-ordination of National Government, in partnership with the Ministry of Defence, to establish counseling and support centers in all premises housing disciplined forces, and provide mandatory counseling to all service personnel and the families of those currently serving, and those who may have been killed in the line of duty.

M. Any Other Business

WEDNESDAY: **Communication from the Chair, Messages, Petitions, Papers,**
05/06/2019 **Notices of Motion, Statements, Motions and Bills and Business that is not**
 concluded on Tuesday, 4th June, 2019.

A. *THE NATIONAL COHESION AND PEACE BUILDING BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 35 OF 2018)

(Sen. Judith Pareno, MP)

(Second Reading)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Wednesday, 29th May, 2019)

(Division)

B. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

*****THE COUNTY GOVERNMENTS (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 11 OF 2017)**

(The Senate Majority Leader)

(Consideration of National Assembly Amendments)

C. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

***THE RETIREMENT BENEFITS (DEPUTY PRESIDENT AND DESIGNATED STATE OFFICERS) (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 2 OF 2018)**

(Sen. Ledama Olekina, MP)

D. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

***THE CARE AND PROTECTION OF OLDER MEMBERS OF SOCIETY BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 17 OF 2018)**

(Sen. Aaron Cheruiyot, MP)

E. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

****THE DATA PROTECTION BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 16 OF 2018)**

(Chairperson, Standing Committee on Information and Technology)

F. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

***THE COUNTY PLANNING (ROADS, PAVEMENTS AND PARKING BAYS) BILL
(SENATE BILLS NO. 18 OF 2018)**

(Sen. Ledama Olekina, MP)

G. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

***THE COUNTY OUTDOOR ADVERTISING CONTROL BILL (SENATE BILLS
NO. 19 OF 2018)**

(Sen. Samuel Poghio, MP)

H. **THE CONSTITUTION OF KENYA (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS
NO. 2 OF 2019)**

(The Senate Majority Leader)

(Second Reading)

I. Any Other Business

THURSDAY: **Communication from the Chair, Messages, Petitions, Papers,
06/06/2019 Notices of Motion, Statements, Motions and Bills and Business that is not
concluded on Tuesday, 4th June, 2019 and Wednesday, 5th June, 2019.**

A. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

****THE IMPEACHMENT PROCEDURE BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 15 OF 2018)**

(Chairperson, Standing Committee on Justice, Legal Affairs and Human Rights)

B. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

***THE PREVENTION OF TERRORISM (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS
NO. 20 OF 2018)**

(Sen. (Canon) Naomi Jilo Waqo, MP)

C. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

***THE PRESERVATION OF HUMAN DIGNITY AND ENFORCEMENT OF
ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL RIGHTS BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 27 OF 2018)**

(Sen. Abshiro Halake, MP)

D. MOTION - WAIVER OF INTEREST ON HELB LOANS FOR GRADUATES

(Sen. (Dr.) Abdullahi Ali, MP)

THAT, AWARE THAT Higher Education Loans Board (HELB) has, for over the last two decades, become the leading financier of higher education in Kenya whose mandate is to source funds and lend them as affordable loans, bursaries and scholarship to students pursuing higher education in recognized institution;

COGNIZANT THAT, the Ministry of Education announced that the government has lost Kshs. 7.2b through people defaulting payment on loans issued by HELB translating to 74,692 graduates who have defaulted the loans payment;

NOTING THAT, measures were taken to enhance the HELB loan recovery process which included a six month waiver of accumulated interest and penalties, and working with law enforcement officers to make sure the defaulters who are employed payback the loans;

CONCERNED THAT, there are graduates from institutions of higher learning who have not been gainfully employed for many years after graduation, and are therefore burdened with loans that have accumulated interest and penalties that they have no means to repay;

FURTHER CONCERNED THAT, when beneficiaries fail to remit their monthly instalments for more than three months, HELB reports them to the Credit Reference Bureau (CRB) preventing them from accessing loan facilities with any financial institution in Kenya, accessing employment opportunities in the government and major private and publicly listed companies and the loan guarantors are pursued and forced to service the HELB loan;

NOW THEREFORE, the Senate recommends that the Ministry of Education and HELB –

1. institutes a six (6) month full waiver of all the interest and penalties accrued, including the lifting of Credit Reference Bureau blacklisting, for defaulters who are willing to repay their loans in entirety, within the six (6) month period; and
2. embarks on a forty-five (45) day sensitization exercise preceding the waiver, no later than ninety (90) days after the passage of this motion.

E. MOTION - IMPROVING ALLOCATION OF RESEARCH FUNDS TOWARDS HIGHER LEARNING

(Sen. (Arch.) Sylvia Kasanga, MP)

AWARE THAT, early childhood education and village polytechnics are a function of the County Governments. Secondary schools, Universities, Tertiary institutions and other institutions of research are a function of the National Government under the Fourth Schedule of the Constitution;

FURTHER AWARE THAT, institutions of higher learning have two basic functions, teaching and conducting research;

CONCERNED THAT, such institutions largely concentrate on “teaching” rather than “research”, as a method of enhancing and imparting the practical application of skills, attitude and knowledge by learners;

NOTING THAT, funds allocated towards community and development oriented academic research are neither sustainable nor adequate;

ACKNOWLEDGING THAT, various national policies on research and innovation are available, but fragmentation in the sector has short-changed the vision of a progressive national research agenda, thereby emboldening low science culture among the population, low global competitiveness ranking, inadequate funding, and poor linkages between academic research and commercial industry;

NOW THEREFORE, the Senate urgently calls upon the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology:

- (i) To provide a comprehensive report from all institutions of higher learning on the status and performance of Research & Innovation Programs in the Country;
- (ii) Re-assess Sector Policies, and Develop new work-plans towards:
 - a. Improving allocation of funds for Academic as well as Sustainable Community Based Research to public institutions of higher learning.
 - b. Providing subsidies, and frameworks for partnerships between public & private institutions of higher learning to enable collaboration and better organization in research and innovations for community/county development Projects.

F. MOTION - DEVELOPMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND TELECONFERENCING POLICY FRAMEWORK AND FACILITIES CONNECTING ALL COUNTY HEALTH FACILITIES TO THE NATIONAL REFERRAL HOSPITALS

(Sen. Judith Pareno, MP)

WHEREAS Article 43 of the Constitution of Kenya provides for economic and social rights enjoyed by every person including the right to the highest attainable standard of health and the right to health care services;

AWARE that the Fourth Schedule to the Constitution of Kenya lists health as one of the functions to be performed by county governments, with the national Government providing health policy framework;

NOTING that Parliament enacted the Health Act, No. 21 of 2017, to establish a unified health system, to coordinate the inter-relationship between the national government and county government health systems, to provide for regulation of health care service and health care service providers, health products and health technologies;

COGNIZANT that the role of both county and national levels of government to ensure a healthy nation is complimentary;

FURTHER AWARE that most health facilities under the county governments are not well equipped with modern technological facilities and requisite personnel, leading to loss of lives especially from preventable and curable diseases;

RECOGNIZING that the government, through the National Broadband Policy has developed more advanced communications and efficient ICT systems with good fibre connection network covering a majority of the counties;

FURTHER COGNIZANT that the lack of structured engagement through technology between the county and national referral hospitals is impacting on quality of health service provision in the county and referral health facilities;

NOW THEREFORE, the Senate resolves that the national government: -

1. fully and urgently implements the Health Act, No.21 of 2017;
2. further collaborates with county governments to initiate and develop an ICT and teleconferencing policy framework; and,

3. facilitates connecting all county health facilities to each other and to the national referral hospitals with a view to ensure seamless and efficient medical consultation between and among medical personnel and health facilities.

G. MOTION –REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENT OF KENYA DELEGATION TO THE 50TH SESSION OF AFRICAN CARIBBEAN PARLIAMENTARY (ACP) ASSEMBLY AND THE 35TH SESSION OF THE ACP – EU JOINT PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY

(Sen. (Prof.) Margaret Kamar, MP)

THAT, this House notes the Report of the Parliament of Kenya delegation to the 50th Session of the ACP Parliamentary Assembly and the 35th Session of the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly held in Brussels, Belgium, from 13th to 20th June, 2018.

H. MOTION –REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENT OF KENYA DELEGATION TO THE GLOBAL SUMMIT ON OPEN GOVERNANCE PARTNERSHIP

(Chairperson, Standing Committee on Justice, Legal Affairs and Human Rights)

THAT, this House notes the Report on the Global Summit on Open Governance Partnership held in Tbilisi, Georgia, from 17th to 19th July, 2018, laid on the Table of the House on Wednesday, 20th February, 2019.

I. MOTION-REPORTS OF THE SIXTH ORDINARY SESSION OF THE FOURTH PAN-AFRICAN PARLIAMENT AND THE FIRST ORDINARY SESSION OF THE FIFTH PARLIAMENT OF THE PAN-AFRICAN PARLIAMENT

(Sen. (Dr.) Abdullahi Ali, MP)

THAT, this House notes the Reports of the Sixth Ordinary Session of the Fourth Pan- African Parliament held in Midrand, South Africa, from 7th to 18th May, 2018, laid on the Table of the House on Tuesday, 24th July, 2018; and, the First Ordinary Session of the Fifth Parliament of the Pan African Parliament held in Kigali, Rwanda, from 18th October to 3rd November, 2018, laid on the Table of the House on Tuesday, 12th March, 2019.

J. MOTION - REPORT ON THE 3RD STATUTORY MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, REGIONAL INTEGRATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES OF THE FORUM OF PARLIAMENTS OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF THE GREAT LAKES REGION (FP-CGLR)

(Sen. Samuel Poghismo, MP)

THAT, this House notes the Report on the 3rd Statutory Meeting of the Committee on Economic Development, Regional Integration and Natural Resources of the Forum of Parliaments of the International Conference of the Great Lakes Region (FP-ICGLR) held in Bujumbura, Burundi, from 13th – 14th March, 2019 laid on the Table of the House on Tuesday, 21st May, 2019.

KEY

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