



REPUBLIC OF KENYA
TWELFTH PARLIAMENT – (THIRD SESSION)
THE SENATE
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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2019 AT 2.30 P.M.

PRAYERS

1. Administration of Oath
2. Communication from the Chair
3. Messages
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7. Statements (as listed in the appendix)
8. ******THE COUNTY HALL OF FAME BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 39 OF 2018)**
(The Senate Majority Leader)
(*Second Reading*)
(Resumption of debate interrupted on Tuesday, 6th August, 2019)
9. ****THE STREET VENDORS (PROTECTION OF LIVELIHOOD) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 10 OF 2019)**
(Chairperson, Standing Committee on Tourism, Trade and Industrialization)
(*Second Reading*)
10. **MOTION - LEGAL AND POLICY INTERVENTIONS FOR CAREGIVERS OF PERSONS WITH PERMANENT MOTOR AND NEUROLOGICAL DISORDERS**
(Sen. Millicent Omanga, MP)

THAT, AWARE that Cerebral palsy, Down syndrome, Autism and other permanent motor and neurological disorders are birth defects characterised by, among others, disturbances of sensation, perception, cognition, hearing loss, congenital heart defects, lower than average IQ, impairment in social interaction, and rigid, repetitive behaviors;

COGNIZANT that persons born with these and other permanent motor and neurological disorders face considerable difficulties in the social and behavioral aspects of their lives, including discrimination, physical challenges, mental and emotional health issues, and problems with inclusion and social isolation;

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ACKNOWLEDGING the critical role that parents and caregivers of persons with permanent motor and neurological disorders play in ensuring that they realize their potential to the fullest extent possible and that they have long, healthy, and satisfying lives;

RECOGNIZING that, in taking care of these persons, caregivers make considerable sacrifices in the pursuit of education, employment, investment, and other opportunities for their own advancement and, in some cases, spend the most productive years of their lives taking care of persons with these disorders;

NOTING that most caregivers lack the training, tools and psychosocial support required in taking care of persons with these permanent disorders, are often subjected to the same stigma as the persons they take care of, and are exposed to stresses and pressure that have an adverse impact on their mental and physical wellbeing;

CONCERNED that, while a lot of progress has been made in taking care of other vulnerable and disadvantaged members of the society, equivalent efforts have not been made to recognize the important role that caregivers play, to create, through policy and legislation, a conducive environment for the provision of adequate, safe and informed care to persons with these disorders;

NOW THEREFORE, the Senate resolves that the Ministry of Labour, Social Security and Services, together with the County Governments, formulate a policy framework for the recognition, training, empowerment and protection for caregivers of persons with permanent motor and neurological disorders, including: -

- a) provision of financial assistance and incentives to caregivers, including inclusion in the list of beneficiaries under the *InuaJamii* Cash Transfer Programmes;
- b) provision of appropriate tax reliefs and exemptions to caregivers, equivalent to those advanced to other Persons with Disabilities (PWDs);
- c) exemption from taxes on goods and services required for the care and protection of persons with the disorders; and
- d) provision of the specialized training, psychosocial and other support necessary to engage in income-generating activities for caregivers of persons with permanent motor and neurological disorders, including accessing the quota set aside in law for vulnerable groups for the supply of goods and services to government entities.

***(Resumption of debate interrupted on Thursday, 19th September, 2019)
(Balance of Time – 2 hours 48 minutes)***

11. MOTION - ENGAGEMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS BY COUNTY GOVERNMENTS

(Sen. Rose Nyamunga, MP)

THAT, AWARE THAT county health facilities, and the promotion of primary health care are devolved functions, and each county government is striving to offer the best healthcare to the people of Kenya;

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COGNIZANT THAT, the provision of healthcare services is continuously riddled with numerous challenges ranging from understaffing of personnel to inadequate facilities and equipment resulting in congestion in hospitals further restricting effective service delivery;

NOTING THAT every Kenyan has a right to affordable and accessible healthcare, and the President has launched a pilot universal health care program called “Afya Care” that will see many Kenyans access improved healthcare;

CONCERNED THAT, the diverse nature of counties and wanting infrastructural development is compromising the quality and accessibility of health centres especially during emergency situations, resulting in the loss of many lives occasioned by the failure by patients to reach health facilities in time;

FURTHER CONCERNED THAT, in each county there are numerous unemployed community health workers who are adept at working with communities in emergency situations, and have the requisite experience to support the medical practitioners in our country where, according to the World Health Organization 2014 report, there are two (2) doctors for every ten thousand (10,000) people;

NOW THEREFORE, the Senate resolves that the Council of Governors in partnership with the Ministry of Health –

- (i) Develop a policy for the training, certification and employment of community health workers to enhance the emergency health service delivery in the Counties, and
- (ii) Facilitate the said community health workers with the necessary basic equipment for use during emergency cases.

NOTICE

The Senate resolved on 13th February, 2019 as follows:-

THAT, pursuant to Standing Order 106 (1), the Senate resolves that debate on a Motion not sponsored by the Majority or Minority Party or a Committee shall be limited in the following manner:-

A maximum of three hours with not more than twenty minutes for the Mover, twenty minutes for the Majority Party Official Responder, twenty minutes for the Minority Party Official Responder and fifteen minutes for each other Senator speaking and that fifteen minutes before the time expires, the Mover shall be called upon to reply.

KEY

******** - Denotes a Majority /Minority Party Bill

******* - Denotes a National Assembly Bill

****** - Denotes a Committee Bill

***** - Denotes any other Bill

APPENDIX

STATEMENT PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 48(1)

The Nominated Senator (Sen. Abshiro S. Halake, MP) to seek a statement from the Standing Committee on Lands, Environment and Natural Resource regarding an eviction notice served on residents of Isiolo by the Department of Defence to pave way for expansion of Kenya Defence Forces (KDF) training camp in the Country.
