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**TUESDAY:**           **Communication from the Chair, Messages, Petitions, Papers,**  
**10/11/2020**           **Notices of Motion, Statements and Motions.**

**A. \*THE MUNG BEANS BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 9 OF 2020)**

(Sen. Enoch Wambua, MP)

*(Second Reading)*

**B. MOTION - RECOGNIZING AND APPRECIATING THE ELDERLY  
BY COUNTY GOVERNMENTS**

(Sen. Rose Nyamunga, MP)

**THAT, AWARE**that in 2006, the National Government initiated the Older Persons Cash Transfer (OPCT) Programme, popularly known as *PesayaWazee*, which is an unconditional cash transfer programme to destitute elderly persons above the age of 65 years to cater for their subsistence needs;

**NOTING THAT** the beneficiaries receive a monthly stipend of Kshs. 2,000, delivered every two months through appointed payment agents, and also entitled to medical insurance through the National Health Insurance Fund (NHIF);

**CONCERNED HOWEVER THAT** the programme's credibility is marred by issues of delayed payments to beneficiaries, difficulties in processing of payments through the stipulated agents and payments to unregistered persons;

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Senate recommends that the County Governments complement the efforts of the National Government and assist in resolving these challenges by:-

1. Developing legislation and policies to protect the elderly including ensuring all elderly persons in their counties are registered in the OPCT programme; and
2. Organise value addition mechanisms such as financial training to help the beneficiaries of the programme to efficiently utilise this allowance.

*(Resumption of debate interrupted on Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> November, 2020)*

**C. MOTION – ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ROADS AND TRANSPORTATION ON ITS INQUIRY INTO THE OPERATIONALIZATION OF THE NATIONAL CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY (DEFECTS LIABILITY) REGULATIONS, 2020.**

(Chairperson, Standing Committee on Roads and Transportation)

**THAT**, the Senate adopts the report of the Standing Committee on Roads and Transportation on its inquiry into the operationalization of National Construction Authority (Defects Liability) Regulations, 2020, laid on the table of the Senate, on Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> September, 2020.

**D. MOTION- REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENT OF KENYA DELEGATION TO THE 141<sup>ST</sup> ASSEMBLY OF THE INTER-PARLIAMENTARY UNION (IPU) AND RELATED MEETINGS, HELD IN BELGRADE, SERBIA FROM 13<sup>TH</sup> TO 17<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 2019**

(Sen. Susan Kihika, MP)

**THAT**, the Senate notes the report of the Parliament of Kenya Delegation to the 141<sup>st</sup> Assembly of the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) and related meetings, held in Belgrade, Serbia, from 13<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> October, 2019 laid on the Table of the House on Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> March, 2020.

E. **MOTION – REPORT OF THE THIRD ORDINARY SESSION OF THE 5<sup>TH</sup> PARLIAMENT OF THE PAN – AFRICAN PARLIAMENT HELD FROM 7<sup>TH</sup> TO 18<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 2019, IN MIDRAND, SOUTH AFRICA.**

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

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F. **MOTION – ALLOCATION BY COUNTIES OF AT LEAST 10 PERCENT OF THEIR BUDGET ON EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION (ECDE) TOWARDS VULNERABLE GROUPS IN THE COUNTIES AND DEVELOPMENT OF A POLICY TO INCORPORATE THE NEEDS OF CHILDREN WHO ARE LESS THAN THREE YEARS OF AGE**

(Sen. (Dr.) Alice Milgo, MP)

**THAT, AWARE THAT**, Constitution of Kenya (Article 53) affirms that children have basic rights, including the right to education, nutrition, shelter, health care and parental care, provisions that are aligned with those cited in both the Convention on the Rights of the Child and the Africa Charter on the Rights and Welfare of the Child, to which Kenya is a signatory;

**CONCERNED THAT**, the current status of day care facilities in the Country are not child friendly or habitable and there is need to bridge this gap to capture the play group class in the new 2-6-3-3-3 curriculum that is replacing the 32-year-old 8-4-4 system;

**ACKNOWLEDGING THAT**, most parents lack access to quality daycare facilities, which would provide a safe and stimulating environment to take care of their children while they are at work;

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Senate urges that County Governors in conjunction with the Ministry of Education to ensure that:

1. Counties allocate at least 10 percent of their budget on Early Childhood Development Education (ECDE) towards this vulnerable group; and,
2. Policy is developed to incorporate the needs of children who are less than three years of age.

**G. MOTION – PARKING CHARGES IN PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OFFERING ESSENTIAL SERVICES**

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

**AWARE THAT**, many urban areas and towns in Kenya lack designated car parking areas as a result of imbalance between parking supply and demand mainly due to ineffective land use planning and miscalculations of space requirements, thereby leading to exorbitant parking fees;

**NOTING** that, most essential services offered in hospitals, educational institutions and other public utilities are offered in urban centers, shopping malls and other designated areas that charge parking fees to access;

**ACKNOWLEDGING**, that whether they are delivered by public or private providers, essential services such as health, banking, education and other utilities are considered to be public services because they are public goods that sustain the well-being of every citizen and help in the development of the society as a whole;

**CONCERNED**, that access to hospitals, educational institutions and other places offering essential services might be hindered due to exorbitant parking fees levied on motorists accessing these services;

**FURTHER CONCERNED**, that charging entry fees amount to double taxation as the motorists who would have paid the parking fees will still pay for the services they seek;

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Senate urges the Cabinet Secretary for Lands, Housing and Physical Planning together with the Council of Governors to come up with a policy framework to create an enabling environment for protection of motorists accessing essential services from paying exorbitant fees for parking.

**WEDNESDAY:** Communication from the Chair, Messages, Petitions, Papers, Notices of Motion, Statements, Motions and Business that is not concluded on Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2020.  
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**THURSDAY:      The State of the Nation Address**  
**12/11/2020**

- **THE STATE OF THE NATION ADDRESS**

(By H.E. Hon. Uhuru Kenyatta, CGH, President of the Republic of Kenya and Commander in Chief of the Defense Forces)

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**\*\*-** Denotes a Committee Bill

**\*-** Denotes any other Bill