



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

TWELFTH PARLIAMENT – FIFTH SESSION

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, JULY 28, 2021 AT 2.30 P.M.

1. The Senate assembled at thirty minutes past Two O'clock.
2. The proceedings were opened with Prayer said by the Speaker.

3. PAPERS LAID

The following Papers were laid on the Table of the Senate: -

- i) Report of the Auditor-General for the County Governments for the Financial Year 2018/2019 (Volume I)
- ii) Report of the Auditor-General for the County Assemblies for the Financial Year 2018/2019 (Volume II)
- iii) Annual Report of the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission for the Financial Year 2019/2020

(The Deputy Senate Majority Leader)

4. NOTICE OF MOTION- INTEGRATING CLIMATE EDUCATION INTO SCHOOL CURRICULUM AT ALL LEVELS

(Sen. Petronilla Were Lokorio, MP on behalf of Sen. Halake Abshiro, MP)

THAT, AWARE THAT it is important that both the current and future generations are better equipped to address the problem of climate change and this can be accomplished by using appropriate instructional strategies such as integrating climate education into the syllabus to assist students in improving their understanding of climate change and acquiring the essential skills to reduce its effects.

ACKNOWLEDGING THAT education is crucial to promote climate action as it helps individuals understand and address the impacts of the climate crisis, empowering them with the knowledge, skills, values and attitudes needed to act as agents of change, hence protect the environment and take action by crafting community level solutions.

COGNIZANT OF THE FACT the Constitution of Kenya in Article 42 provides for the right to a clean and healthy environment for every Kenyan, which includes the right to have the environment protected for the benefit of present and future generations.

FURTHER NOTING THAT climate change is a global nightmare with consequences that are already quite visible, and should be a priority for our education curriculum, in accordance to Article 12 of the Paris Agreement which espouses the enhancement of climate change education, training, public awareness, public participation and public access to information.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Senate calls upon the Council of Governors in partnership with the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology to: -

1. integrate climate education in the school curriculum in all counties to equip all school going children; and
2. equip teachers and administrators with the necessary information and training skills to teach climate education in schools.

5. STATEMENT PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 51 (1)(A)

The Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Justice, Legal Affairs and Human Rights made a Statement on the proceedings in Nairobi Civil Appeal No. 284 of 2021 (the Speaker of the National Assembly & Another -Vs- the Senate of the Republic of Kenya & 12 others).

The Chairperson reminded the Senate that the matter had arisen from the National Assembly enacting various Acts without reference to the Senate and, more specifically, lack of concurrence between the two Houses, as provided in Article 110(3) of the Constitution. The Senate had also been aggrieved by the National Assembly's subversion of the Senate's legislative function by claiming that a number of Bills were 'Money Bills' and, therefore, declining to consider them.

He informed the Senate that the High Court had delivered its judgment thereon on 29th October, 2020 but the National Assembly had appealed that decision. The Senator informed the House that whereas the preliminary stages had been undertaken earlier in the year, the judgment would be delivered on 5th November, 2021 and the Court had, until then, issued conservatory orders extending the validity period of the 23 impugned Acts, passed by the National Assembly without the concurrence of the Senate.

The Chairperson also informed the Senate that he, together with Sen. James Orengo, EGH, SC, MP, Sen. Mutula Kilonzo Junior, CBS, MP and Litigation Counsel, Ms. Mercy Thanji, had represented the Senate in the matter.

6. **THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY PRINTER BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 13 OF 2021)**

Order for Second Reading read;

Motion made and Question proposed;

THAT, the Office of the County Printer Bill (Senate Bills No. 13 of 2021) be now read a Second Time.

(Sen. Petronila Were Lokorio, MP – 27/07/2021)

Debate interrupted on Tuesday, 27th July, 2021 resumed;

And there being no other Senators wishing to contribute;

Mover replied;

Raising a Point of Order, the Mover requested for the deferment of the putting of the Question to a later date, pursuant to Standing Order 61 (3).

And the Temporary Speaker (Sen. Dr. Lelegwe Ltumbesi, MP), acceding to the request, nominated Thursday, 29th July, 2021 as the day when the Question shall be put.

7. **THE SALARIES AND REMUNERATION COMMISSION (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 31 OF 2020)**

Order for Second Reading read;

Motion made and Question proposed;

THAT, the Salaries and Remuneration Commission (Amendment) Bill (Senate Bills No. 31 of 2020) be now read a Second Time.

(Chairperson, Standing Committee on Finance and Budget)

And there being no other Senators wishing to contribute;

Mover replied;

Raising a Point of Order, the Mover requested for the deferment of the putting of the Question to a later date, pursuant to Standing Order 61 (3).

And the Temporary Speaker (Sen. Dr. Lelegwe Ltumbesi, MP), acceding to the request, nominated Thursday, 29th July, 2021 as the day when the Question shall be put.

8. **THE COUNTY LICENSING (UNIFORM PROCEDURES) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 32 OF 2020)**

Order for Second Reading read;

Motion made and Question proposed;

THAT, the County Licensing (Uniform Procedures) Bill (Senate Bills No. 32 of 2020) be now read a Second Time.

(Sen. Mercy Chebeni, MP)

And there being no other Senator wishing to contribute;

Mover replied;

Raising a Point of Order, the Mover requested for the deferment of the putting of the Question to a later date, pursuant to Standing Order 61 (3).

And the Temporary Speaker (Sen. Dr. Lelegwe Ltumbesi, MP), acceding to the request, nominated Thursday, 29th July, 2021 as the day when the Question shall be put.

9. **THE COUNTY HALL OF FAME BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 9 OF 2021)**
(Sen. Kipchumba Murkomen, MP)

Order for Second Reading read;

Order deferred.

10. **THE LAW OF SUCCESSION (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 15 OF 2021)**
(Sen. Abshiro Halake, MP)

Order read for Second Reading read;

Order deferred.

11. **THE DISASTER RISK MANAGEMENT BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 14 OF 2021)**
(Sen. Mutula Kilonzo Jr, MP and Sen. Johnson Sakaja, MP)

Order for Second Reading read;

Order deferred.

12. **THE PROMPT PAYMENT BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 16 OF 2021)**

Order for Second Reading read;

Motion made and Question proposed -

THAT, the Prompt Payment Bill (Senate Bills No. 16 of 2021) be now read a Second Time.

(Sen. (CPA) Farhiya Haji and Sen. Johnson Sakaja, MP)

Debate arising;

And the time being thirty minutes past six O'clock, the Temporary Speaker (Sen. (Dr.) Lelegwe Ltumbesi, MP) interrupted the proceedings and adjourned the Senate without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Orders.

13. **SENATE ROSE** - at Thirty Minutes past Six O'clock.

M E M O R A N D U M

*The Speaker will take the Chair on
Thursday, July 29, 2021 at 2:30 p.m.*