



REPUBLIC OF KENYA
PARLIAMENT

SENATE BILLS
(*Bill No. 26 of 2020*)

HEALTH (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2020

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THE HEALTH (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2020

A Bill for

An ACT of Parliament to amend the Health Act, to enhance the functions of the Kenya Health Human Resource Advisory Council; and for connected purposes.

ENACTED by the Parliament of Kenya, as follows—

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the Health (Amendment) Act, 2020.

~~Amendment of~~
Section 30 of 21 of
2017.

~~2. Section 30 of the Health Act, hereinafter referred to as the~~
principal Act, is amended in subsection (1) by —

- (a) deleting paragraph (d); and
- (b) deleting the word “one” appearing immediately before the words “person nominated” in paragraph (h) and substituting therefor the word “two”.
- (c) inserting the following new subsection immediately after subsection (1)—

(1A) The Cabinet Secretary shall appoint the members nominated under subsection (1) (a), (c), (f), (g), (h), and (i) by notice in the *Gazette*.

Amendment of
Section 31 of No.
21 of 2017.

3. The principal Act is amended by deleting Section 31 and substituting therefor the following new section—

Functions of
the Council.

31. (1) The Council shall—

- (a) review and make recommendations to the Cabinet Secretary on policy and uniform norms and standards for the—
- (i) posting of interns to National Government and County Government health facilities;

- (ii) inter county transfer of healthcare professionals;
 - (iii) transfer of healthcare professionals from one level of government to another;
 - (iv) welfare and the scheme of service for health professionals;
 - (v) management and rotation of specialists; and
 - (vi) maintenance of a master register for all health practitioners in the counties;
- (b) undertake an audit of the healthcare workers in the national health system and advise the National Government and the respective County Governments of the gaps in recruitment, employment and deployment of registered healthcare workers;
 - (c) advise the National Government and the respective County Governments on promotion of healthcare workers;
 - (d) review and make recommendations for inter-county transfer of healthcare professionals;
 - (e) review and make recommendations for inter-governmental transfer of healthcare professionals;
 - (f) review and make recommendations for training of healthcare professionals; and
 - (g) review and make recommendations

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on remuneration of healthcare professionals.

Amendment of
Section 33 of No.
21 of 2017.

4. Section 33 of the principal Act be amended—

(a) in subsection (2) by deleting paragraph (a) and substituting therefor the following new paragraph—

(a) holds at least a degree in a health related field from a university recognized in Kenya; and

(aa) is registered by the relevant health professional regulatory body and is in good standing.

(b) by deleting subsection (4).

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I certify that this printed impression is a true copy of the Bill as passed with amendments by the Senate on 21st October, 2021.



Clerk of the Senate

Endorsed for presentation to the National Assembly in accordance with the provisions of Standing Order 156 of the Senate Standing Orders.



Speaker of the Senate

