



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

TWELFTH PARLIAMENT – (FIFTH SESSION)

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 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. **PETITION**

Pursuant to Standing Order 230(2) (b), the Speaker, reported to the Senate of a Petition by Mr. Daniel Waturu, concerning Radio frequency interference of Sawanga FM, by Sidai FM.

Pursuant to Standing Order 231, the Speaker invited Senators to make comments, observations or seek clarification in relation to the Petition and, subsequently committed it to the Standing Committee on Information Technology, pursuant to Standing Order 232(1).

4. **PAPERS**

The following papers were laid on the Table of the Senate –

- i) Report of the Auditor General on the Financial Statements of Laikipia County Assembly for the year ended 30th June 2020.
- ii) Report of the Auditor General on the Financial Statements of Laikipia County Executive for the year ended 30th June 2020.
- iii) Report of the Auditor General on the Financial Statements of Kwale County Assembly for the year ended 30th June 2020.
- iv) Report of the Auditor General on the Financial Statements of Kwale County Executive for the year ended 30th June 2020.
- v) Report of the Auditor General on the Financial Statements of Kilifi County Assembly for the year ended 30th June 2020.

- vi) Report of the Auditor General on the Financial Statements of Kilifi County Executive for the year ended 30th June 2020.
- vii) Report of the Auditor General on the Financial Statements of Nyeri County Assembly for the year ended 30th June 2020.
- viii) Report of the Auditor General on the Financial Statements of Nyeri County Executive for the year ended 30th June 2020.
- ix) Report of the Auditor General on the Financial Statements of Taita Taveta County Assembly for the year ended 30th June 2020.
- x) Report of the Auditor General on the Financial Statements of Taita Taveta County Executive for the year ended 30th June 2020.
- xi) Report of the Auditor General on the Financial Statements of West Pokot County Assembly for the year ended 30th June 2020.
- xii) Report of the Auditor General on the Financial Statements of West Pokot County Executive for the year ended 30th June 2020.

(Sen. Gideon Moi, MP on behalf of the Senate Majority Leader)

- xiii) Statement on the Business of the Senate for the week commencing Tuesday, 30th November, 2021.

(Sen. Gideon Moi, MP on behalf of the Senate Majority Leader)

5. **STATEMENTS**

a) **Pursuant to Standing Order 47 (1)**

The Senator for Nairobi City County (Sen. Sakaja Johnson, MP) made a Statement regarding the operations of the Intelligence and Strategic Operations (ISO) Department of the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA).

In the Statement, the Senator informed the Senate that KRA leverages on the potential of intelligence gathering and analysis, among other strategies, to combat tax evasion and other tax related crimes. The Senator further informed the Senate that intelligence management function of the ISO has been key in the collection of information relating to tax evasion, cyber crime and corruption and has continued to enhance the institution's capacity to penetrate and quash tax evasion cartels.

The Senator, raised concerns that the Department is now engulfed in allegations of poor policies and practices that inhibit legal transactions. He highlighted that there have been cases of prolonged holding of consignments

on allegations of tax evasion, an exercise which has affected business operations and trade in the country.

In conclusion, the Senator appealed to the Commissioner General of KRA to ensure that ISO works within its mandate and ensure that there are effective linkages between departments, geared towards increased revenue collection for the benefit of the country.

Thereafter, the Speaker allowed comments from Senators on the Statement and subsequently referred it to Standing Committee on Finance and Budget, pursuant to Standing Order 47 (3).

b) Pursuant to Standing Order 48 (1)

- i) The Senator for Bomet County (Sen. (Dr.) Christopher Lang'at, MP) sought a statement from the Standing Committee on Labour and Social Welfare regarding claims of discrimination against locals on job opportunities by the Bomet University.
- ii) The Senator for Kakamega County (Sen. Cleophas Malala, MP) sought a statement from the Standing Committee on Information and Technology regarding funding of the Konza Data Centre and Smart City and its construction by M/s. Huawei.
- iii) Nominated Senator (Sen. Isaac Ngugi Githua, MP) sought a statement from the Standing Committee on National Security, Defence and Foreign Relations concerning frequent fire incidences at the Gikomba Market and the adverse effects to the small and micro-businesses.

c) Pursuant to Standing Order 51 (1) (b)

The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Information and Technology issued a statement relating to the activities of the committee for the period 1st July to 15th November, 2021.

d) Pursuant to Standing Order 52 (1)

Sen. Gideon Moi, MP, a Member of the Senate Business Committee, on behalf of the Senate Majority Leader, made a Statement on the Business of the Senate for the week commencing Tuesday, 30th November, 2021.

6. THE HERITAGE AND MUSEUMS BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 22 OF 2021)

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

(Second Reading)

***(Resumption of debate interrupted on Tuesday, 2nd November, 2021)
(Division)***

Order deferred.

7. **THE COUNTY OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 17 OF 2021)**

(Sen. Ledama Olekina, MP)

(Second Reading)

***(Resumption of debate interrupted on Tuesday, 2nd November, 2021)
(Division)***

Order deferred.

8. **THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS (AMENDMENT) BILL, (SENATE BILLS NO. 37 OF 2021)**

(The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Devolution and Intergovernmental Relations)

(Second Reading)

***(Resumption of debate interrupted on Thursday, 4th November, 2021)
(Division)***

Order deferred.

9. **THE COUNTY GOVERNMENTS (AMENDMENT) BILL, (SENATE BILLS NO. 38 OF 2021)**

(Sen. Moses Kajwang', MP)

(Second Reading)

***(Resumption of debate interrupted on Tuesday, 16th November, 2021)
(Division)***

Order deferred.

10. **THE COUNTY HALL OF FAME BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 9 OF 2021)**

Order for Second Reading read;

Motion made and Question proposed-

THAT, the County Hall of Fame Bill (Senate Bills No. 9 of 2021) be now read a Second Time.

(Sen. Kipchumba Murkomen, MP)

Debate arising;

And there being no other Senator wishing to contribute;

And in the absence of the Mover;

The Temporary Speaker (Sen. John Kinyua Nderitu, MP) deferred the putting of the Question to a later date.

11. **MOTION – ADJOURNMENT OF THE SENATE**

Motion made and Question proposed -

THAT, pursuant to Standing Orders 28 and 29, the Senate do adjourn until Tuesday, 30th November, 2021.

(Sen. Ledama Olekina, MP, on behalf of the Senate Majority Whip)

There being no Senator wishing to contribute;

Pursuant to Standing Order 31(2), the Temporary Speaker (Sen. John Kinyua Nderitu, MP) adjourned the Senate at twenty-eight minutes past Six O'clock, without Question put.

12. **SENATE ROSE** – at Twenty-Eight Minutes past Six O'clock.

M E M O R A N D U M

*The Speaker will take the Chair on
Tuesday, November 30, 2021 at 2.30 p.m.*

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