



**REPUBLIC OF KENYA**

**THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT – (SECOND SESSION)**

**THE SENATE**

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

**MORNING SITTING**

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER, 11, 2023 AT 9.30 AM**

1. The Senate assembled at thirty Minutes past Nine O'clock.
2. The proceedings were opened with Prayer said by the Temporary Speaker (Sen. Wakili Hillary Sigei, MP).

3. **QUORUM IN THE SENATE**

The Temporary Speaker (Sen. Wakili Hillary Sigei, MP), having counted the Honourable Senators present at the commencement of the Sitting and confirming that there was no Quorum, caused the Bell to be rung for ten minutes, pursuant to Standing Order 40;

And there being a Quorum before the expiry of ten minutes;

The Temporary Speaker (Sen. Wakili Hillary Sigei, MP) invited the Clerk to call the Orders of the day.

4. **PAPERS LAID**

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

- i.) Report of the Standing Committee on Health on its consideration of the Digital Health Bill (National Assembly Bills No. 57 of 2023)
- ii.) Report of the Standing Committee on Health on its consideration of the Social Health Insurance Bill (National Assembly Bills No. 58 of 2023)

*(Sen. Esther Okenyuri on behalf of the Chairperson, Standing Committee on Health)*

5. **QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS**

**QUESTIONS**

- a. **Question 025** by the Senator for Marsabit County (Sen. Mohamed Said Chute, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Interior and National Administration on the recruitment and deployment of chiefs and assistant chiefs was answered by the Cabinet Secretary.
- b. **Question 026** by the Senator for Marsabit County (Sen. Mohamed Said Chute, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Interior and National Administration on the delay in recruitment of NPRs in the wider Northern Frontier Counties was answered by the Cabinet Secretary.
- c. **Question 032** by the Senator for Kirinyaga County (Sen. James Kamau Murango, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Interior and National Administration on kidnappings along Makutano-Sagana highway in Kirinyaga County answered by the Cabinet Secretary.
- d. **Question 051** by the Senator for Marsabit County (Sen. Mohamed Said Chute, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Youth Affairs and Sports on the status of construction on Marsabit Stadium was answered by the Cabinet Secretary.
- e. **Question 053** by the Senator for Nandi County (Sen. Samson Cherarkey, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Youth Affairs and Sports on Team Kenya's participation in the World Athletics Championship in Budapest was answered by the Cabinet Secretary.
- f. **Question 054** by the Senator for Marsabit County (Sen. Mohamed Said Chute, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Interior and National Administration on Counter-terrorism efforts put in place by the Government was answered by the Cabinet Secretary.
- g. **Question 011** by the Senator for Laikipia County (Sen. John Kinyua Nderitu, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Interior and National Administration on the state of security in Laikipia County and the wider North Rift region was deferred in the absence of the Senator.
- h. **Question 012** by the Senator for Laikipia County (Sen. John Kinyua Nderitu, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Interior and National Administration on the curbing of rampant abuse of Ketamine was deferred in the absence of the Senator.
- i. **Question 045** by the Senator for Turkana County (Sen. James Lomenen, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Interior and National Administration on the Security situation in West Pokot and Turkana Counties was deferred in the absence of the Senator.

6. **THE DIGITAL HEALTH BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILLS NO. 57 OF 2023)**

Order for Second Reading read;

Motion made and Question proposed;

THAT, the Digital Health Bill (National Assembly Bills No. 57 of 2023) be now read a Second Time.

*(The Senate Majority Leader)*

Raising a Point of Order, Senator James Lomenen moved THAT, the debate on the Digital Health Bill (National Assembly Bills No.57 of 2023 be limited, pursuant to Standing Order 111(1), to five minutes for every Senator while contributing;

Before the Question was put, and pursuant to Standing Order No. 84 (1), the Temporary Speaker (Sen. Abdul Haji, MP) informed the House that the Motion did not affect Counties.

Question put and agreed to.

Debate arising;

The Temporary Speaker (Sen. Abdul Haji Mohammed MP), for the convenience of the Senate, pursuant to Standing Order 34(2)(A) adjourned the Senate at fifteen minutes past one O'clock, without Question put.

7. **SENATE ROSE** - at fifteen minutes past One O'clock.

**M E M O R A N D U M**

*The Speaker will take the Chair on  
Wednesday, October 11, 2023 at 2.30 p.m.*

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