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TUESDAY Communication from the Chair, Messages, Petitions, 09/07/2024 Papers, Notices of Motion, Statements, Motions and Bills

A. MOTION - THE CURRENT STATE OF THE NATION

(The Senate Majority Leader and the Senate Minority Leader)

RECOGNIZING the State of the nation at this moment; the ongoing protests following the passing of the Finance Bill (National Assembly Bills No. 30 of 2024) on 25th June, 2024 by the National Assembly; the loss of lives, maining and loss of property that has been occasioned following these protests;

COGNIZANT THAT pursuant to Article 115(1)(b) of the Constitution His Excellency the President of the Republic of Kenya declined to assent to the Bill and referred it back to the National Assembly with recommendations to delete all clauses of the Bill;

ACKNOWLEDGING THAT the conversation on the Finance Bill has triggered the broader important public conversation on the question of the high cost of living juxtaposed against the wasteful expenditure in all public institutions including Parliament;

FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGING the issues raised by the youth and other members of the public to do with corruption, impunity, incompetence within state and public appointments, opulent lifestyles of public officers, unemployment and high cost of living amongst other issues bedeviling the economy;

NOW THEREFORE, the Senate–

1. calls upon-

- i) the National Assembly to expeditiously consider the presidential memorandum pursuant to Article 115(2)(a);
- ii) all government ministries, departments and agencies, and constitutional commissions, including Parliament, to put in place austerity measures in undertaking their respective functions;
- the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC) and other government multi sector agencies in the governance, justice, law and order sector to upscale and make concerted efforts to fight corruption;
- iv) the National Police Service to cease abductions, unlawful arrests, extra judicial killings and exercise restraint in dealing with peaceful and unarmed demonstrators;
- v) release of all persons arrested for planning and participating in peaceful demonstrations relating to the enactment of the Finance Bill;
- vi) the government to waive hospital bills for persons who have been injured and defray funeral expenses for those who lost their lives, during the demonstrations; and
- vii) the Judiciary to prioritize and expedite all court cases relating to the enactment of the Finance Bill and the resultant demonstrations.
- 2. considers all the challenges facing the country and makes necessary recommendations to address them.

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Thursday, 4th July, 2024)

B. MOTION - REPORT OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON DELEGATED LEGISLATION ON ITS CONSIDERATION OF THE SOCIAL HEALTH INSURANCE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 2024 AND THE SOCIAL HEALTH INSURANCE (TRIBUNAL PROCEDURE) RULES, 2024

(The Chairperson, Select Committee on Delegated Legislation)

THAT, the Senate adopts the Report of the Select Committee on Delegated Legislation on its consideration of the Social Health Insurance (General) Regulations, 2024 and the Social Health Insurance (Tribunal Procedure) Rules, 2024, laid on the Table of the Senate on Tuesday, 2nd July, 2024; and that pursuant to Section 18 of the Statutory Instruments Act, the Senate resolves to annul: -

- i. the Social Health Insurance (General) Regulations, 2024 (Legal Notice No. 49 of 2024):and
- ii. the Social Health Insurance (Tribunal Procedure) Rules, 2024, (Legal Notice No. 48 of 2024).

C. <u>MOTION - APPROVAL OF SITTINGS OF THE SENATE TO BE HELD IN BUSIA COUNTY</u>

(The Senate Majority Leader)

THAT, AWARE that the Senate of Kenya is established under Article 93 of the Constitution and its main role, as set out at Article 96 is to represent, serve and protect the interests of the counties and their governments;

FURTHER AWARE of the critical role that the Senate plays in the interlinkage between the National and County levels of government, and the need to enhance the interaction between the Senate and county governments, as a means of bringing the Senate closer to the counties and the general public;

ACKNOWLEDGING the successes made during the sittings of the Senate outside Nairobi held in Uasin Gishu, Kitui and Turkana Counties in September, 2018, 2019 and 2023, respectively;

FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGING the recommendation of the Senate Business Committee that a sitting of the Senate be held away from the traditional premises in Parliament Buildings, Nairobi, during the term of the 13th Parliament; and the subsequent resolution of the Senate made on 8th March, 2023, to hold plenary and committee sittings in the counties for a one-week period within the month of September in every Session of the 4th Senate, except during an election year with the objective to: -

- 1) promote the role and work of the Senate and enhance public awareness regarding the Business of the Senate and Parliament in general;
- 2) highlight existing and new opportunities for engagement in the legislative process;
- 3) develop and strengthen partnerships at the county level of government; and
- 4) provide an opportunity to members and staff of county assemblies to learn and share best practices with Senators and parliamentary officers;

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to Article 126 (1) of the Constitution, the Senate resolves to hold its Plenary and Committee sittings in Busia County, from 23rd to 27th September 2024.

D. ***THE HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT (BICAMERAL RELATIONS) BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILLS NO. 44 OF 2023)

(The Senate Majority Leader)

(Second Reading)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Tuesday, 28th May, 2024)
(Division)

E. *THE PUBLIC FINANCE MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 40 OF 2023)

(Sen. Hamida Ali Kibwana, MP)

(Second Reading)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Thursday, 30th May, 2024) (Division)

F. *THE CONSTITUTION OF KENYA (AMENDMENT) (NO. 2) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 52 OF 2023)

(Sen. Raphael Chimera, MP)

(Second Reading)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Thursday, 30th May, 2024)

G. **THE HERITAGE AND MUSEUMS BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 8 OF 2023)

(The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Labour and Social Welfare)

(Second Reading)

H. *THE AGRICULTURE AND FOOD AUTHORITY (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 13 OF 2023)

(Sen. James Murango, MP)

(Second Reading)

I. *THE COUNTY HALL OF FAME BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 18 OF 2023) (Sen. Miraj Abdillahi Abdulrahman, MP)

(Second Reading)

J. *THE RICE BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 19 OF 2023)

(Sen. James Murango, MP)

(Second Reading)

K. *THE LAW OF SUCCESSION (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 20 OF 2023)

(Sen. Veronica Maina, MP)

(Second Reading)

L. *THE PUBLIC HOLIDAYS (AMENDMENT) BILL, (SENATE BILLS NO. 31 OF 2023)

(Sen. Karungo Thang'wa, MP)

(Second Reading)

M.*THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY SERVICES (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 34 OF 2023)

(Sen. Mohamed Chute, MP)

(Second Reading)

N.*THE COUNTY PUBLIC FINANCE LAWS (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 39 OF 2023)

(Sen. Kathuri Murungi, MP)

(Second Reading)

O. *THE STREET VENDORS (PROTECTION OF LIVELIHOOD) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 41 OF 2023)

(Sen. Esther Anyieni Okenyuri, MP)

(Second Reading)

P. *THE ENERGY (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 42 OF 2023)

(Sen. Edwin Sifuna, MP)

(Second Reading)

Q. MOTION - REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND BUDGET ON THE STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION OF PROJECTS FUNDED BY THE CONDITIONAL GRANT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF COUNTY HEADQUARTERS

(The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Finance and Budget)

THAT, the Senate adopts the Report of the Standing Committee on Finance and Budget on the status of implementation of projects funded by the Conditional Grant for the construction of County Headquarters laid on the Table of the Senate on Thursday, 28th March, 2024.

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Wednesday, 22nd May, 2024 – Afternoon Sitting)

R. MOTION - REPORT OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON COUNTY PUBLIC ACCOUNTS ON ITS CONSIDERATION OF THE REPORT OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF WEST POKOT COUNTY ASSEMBLY FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2018/2019 AND REPORTS OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF ISIOLO, KIAMBU, KITUI, MARSABIT, NAROK, NYAMIRA, TRANS NZOIA, WEST POKOT AND MURANG'A COUNTY ASSEMBLIES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2019/2020

(The Chairperson, County Public Accounts Committee)

THAT, the Senate adopts the Report of the Select Committee on County Public Accounts on its consideration of the Report of the Auditor General on the financial statements of West Pokot County Assembly for the financial year 2018/2019 and Reports of the Auditor General on the financial statements of Isiolo, Kiambu, Kitui, Marsabit, Narok, Nyamira, Trans Nzoia, West Pokot and Murangá County Assemblies for the financial year 2019/2020 laid on the table of the Senate on Thursday, 7th March, 2024.

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Tuesday, 30th April, 2024)

S. MOTION - REPORT OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON COUNTY PUBLIC INVESTMENTS AND SPECIAL FUNDS ON ITS CONSIDERATION OF THE AUDIT REPORTS OF THE WATER SERVICE PROVIDERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2019, 30TH JUNE, 2020 AND 30TH JUNE, 2021

(The Chairperson, Committee on County Public Investments and Special Funds)

THAT, the Senate adopts the Reports of the Select Committee on County Public Investments and Special Funds on its consideration of the Audit Reports for the year ended, 30th June, 2019, 30th June, 2020 and 30th June, 2021 of the following Water Service Providers-

- i.) Amatsi Water Services Company Limited Vihiga County;
- ii.) Bomet Water Company Limited Bomet County;
- iii.) Gusii Water and Sanitation Company Limited Kisii/Nyamira Counties;
- iv.) Kisumu Water and Sanitation Company Limited -Kisumu County;
- v.) Kwale Water and Sewerage Company Limited Kwale County; and
- vi.) Nyeri Water and Sanitation Company Limited Nyeri County.

and the Audit Report of the Wajir Water and Sewerage Company Limited for the year ended 30th June, 2021, laid on the Table of the Senate on Thursday, 23rd November, 2023.

T. MOTION - REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON HEALTH ON THE INQUIRY INTO THE ALLEGED IRREGULARITIES IN THE PROCUREMENT OF LONG-LASTING INSECTICIDE TREATED NETS AT THE KENYA MEDICAL SUPPLIES AUTHORITY

(Chairperson, Standing Committee on Health)

THAT, the Senate adopts the report of the Standing on Health on the inquiry into alleged irregularities in the procurement of long-lasting insecticide treated nets at the Kenya Medical Supplies Authority (KEMSA), laid on the Table of the Senate on Wednesday, 8th May, 2024.

U. Any Other Business

WEDNESDAY 10/07/2024

Communication from the Chair, Messages, Petitions, Papers, Notices of Motion, Questions, Motions, Bills and any other Business not concluded on Tuesday, 9th July, (Morning Sitting) 2024.

A. QUESTIONS

QUESTION NO.	SENATOR	SUBJECT	MINISTRY
037	Sen. (Dr.) Boni Khalwale, CBS, MP)	Welfare of Kenyans working in the Gulf States	Foreign and Diaspora Affairs
040	Sen. (Prof.) Tom Ojienda, SC, MP	Obligations of the Government to Kenyans in the diaspora who face arrest, detention and deportation	Foreign and Diaspora Affairs
057	Sen. (Prof.) Tom Ojienda, SC, MP	Climate change initiatives implemented in the country, and their tailoring to the specific needs of each county	Environment, Climate Change and Forestry
072	Sen. James Murango, MP	Discharge of effluent and other pollutants into rivers in Kirinyaga County	Environment, Climate Change and Forestry
045	Sen. (Dr.) Oburu Oginga, MGH, MP	Status of roads in Siaya County	Roads and Transport

050	Sen. Okong'o Mogeni, SC, MP	Status of Roads in Nyamira County	Roads and Transport
058	Sen. (Prof.) Tom Ojienda, SC, MP	Redundancies and retrenchments undertaken by Kenya Airways (KQ) since 2010	Roads and Transport
059	Sen. Godfrey Osotsi	Allocation of funds by the Kenya Rural Roads Authority (KeRRA) to counties	Roads and Transport
061	Sen. (Prof.) Tom Ojienda, SC, MP	Reconstruction of transport infrastructure affected by the April/ May 2024 unprecedented rains and floods	Roads and Transport
062	Sen. Mwenda Gataya Mo Fire, MP	Compensation to landowners affected by the construction of the St. Mary Kinooro-Gianchuku-Mbogori Road	Roads and Transport
065	Sen. (Dr.) Boni Khalwale, CBS, MP	Status of the upgrading to bitumen standard of the Sigalagala-Butere Road	Roads and Transport
066	Sen. James Murango, MP	Status of ongoing projects for the upgrade to bitumen standard of roads in Kirinyaga County	Roads and Transport

067	Sen. James Murango, MP	Upgrade of Wang'uru Airstrip for use by farmers to transport their produce	Roads and Transport
074	Sen. Peris Tobiko, MP	Construction and maintenance of roads in Kajiado County	Roads and Transport
080	Sen. Joe Nyutu, MP	Putting up of road safety infrastructure and features on the Kenol-Sagana- Marwa Road near social amenities	Roads and Transport
081	Sen. Mwenda Gataya Mo Fire, MP	Inordinate delay in completing the tarmacking of the Gatunga- Chakariga Road	Roads and Transport

B. MOTION - REPORT OF THE 66^{TH} COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENTARY CONFERENCE HELD IN ACCRA, GHANA FROM 30^{TH} SEPTEMBER - 6^{TH} OCTOBER, 2023

(Sen. (Prof.) Margaret Kamar, MP)

THAT, the Senate notes the Report of the 66th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference held in Accra, Ghana from 30th September – 6th October, 2023 laid on the Table of the Senate on 15th February, 2024.

C. <u>MOTION - REPORT OF THE 147TH ASSEMBLY OF THE INTER-PARLIAMENTARY UNION (IPU) AND RELATED MEETINGS HELD IN LUANDA, ANGOLA ON 23RD TO 27TH OCTOBER, 2023</u>

(Sen. Catherine Mumma, MP)

THAT, the Senate notes the Report of 147th Assembly of the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) and related meetings held in Luanda, Angola on 23rd to 27th October, 2023 laid on the Table of the Senate on Thursday 29th February, 2024.

D. <u>MOTION - REPORT OF THE 63RD SESSION OF THE OACPS PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY AND THE 43RD SESSION OF THE ACPEU JOINT PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY MEETINGS HELD IN BRUSSELS, BELGIUM</u>

(Sen. Kathuri Murungi, MP)

THAT, the Senate notes the Report of the 63rd Session of the OACPS Parliamentary Assembly and 43rd Session of the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly Meetings in Brussels, Belgium laid on the table of Senate on Wednesday, 6th December, 2023.

E. <u>MOTION - REPORT OF THE 9TH INTER-PARLIAMENTARY UNION</u> (IPU) GLOBAL CONFERENCE OF YOUNG PARLIAMENTARIANS HELD IN HANOI, VIETNAM FROM 15TH TO 17TH SEPTEMBER, 2023 (Sen. John Methu, MP)

THAT, the Senate notes the Report of the 9th Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) Global Conference of Young Parliamentarians held in Hanoi, Vietnam from 15th to 17th September, 2023 laid on the table of Senate on Tuesday, 5th March, 2024.

F. MOTION - REPORT OF THE KENYA DELEGATION TO THE EXTRAORDINARY SESSION OF THE SIXTH PARLIAMENT OF THE PAN-AFRICAN PARLIAMENT (PAP) HELD AT THE GALLAGHER CONVENTION CENTRE, MIDRAND, SOUTH AFRICA, FROM 20TH TO 27TH MARCH, 2024

(Sen. Danson Mungatana, MP)

THAT, the Senate notes the Report of the Kenya Delegation to the Extraordinary Session of the Sixth Parliament of the Pan-African Parliament (PAP) held at the Gallagher Convention Centre, Midrand, South Africa, from 20th to 27th March, 2024, laid on the Table of the Senate on Wednesday, 24th April, 2024.

G. MOTION - REPORT OF THE KENYA DELEGATION TO THE 148TH ASSEMBLY OF THE INTER-PARLIAMENTARY UNION (IPU) AND RELATED MEETINGS HELD IN GENEVA, SWITZERLAND FROM 23RD TO 27TH MARCH, 2024

(Sen. Catherine Mumma, MP)

THAT, the Senate notes the Report of the Kenya Delegation to the 148th Assembly of the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) and Related Meetings Held in Geneva, Switzerland from 23rd to 27th March, 2024 laid on the Table of the Senate on Thursday, 30th May, 2024.

H. MOTION – REPORT OF THE 14TH ORDINARY SESSION OF THE PLENARY ASSEMBLY AND RELATED MEETINGS OF THE FORUM OF PARLIAMENTS OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF THE GREAT LAKES REGION, HELD IN LIVINGSTONE, ZAMBIA, FROM 15TH TO 19TH APRIL, 2024

(Sen. Ali Ibrahim Roba, MP)

THAT, the Senate notes the report of the 14th Ordinary Session of the Plenary Assembly and Related Meetings of the Forum of Parliaments of the International Conference of the Great Lakes region, held in Livingstone, Zambia, from 15th to 19th April, 2024 laid on the Table of the Senate on Thursday, 30th May, 2024.

I. MOTION - ESTABLISHMENT OF A MONTHLY CAR FREE DAY AND COUNTY CAR FREE ZONES

(Sen. Crystal Asige, MP)

THAT, AWARE THAT Kenyans have a right to a clean and healthy environment pursuant to Article 42 of the Constitution;

NOTING THAT the National Climate Change Action Plan identifies transportation as the fourth largest contributor to greenhouse gas emissions, which if uncontrolled, will result to negative impact of climate change with adverse effect to millions of Kenyans;

CONCERNED THAT the number of private vehicles has significantly grown, leading to increased road accidents, carbon emission and vehicle congestion, costs of which are in excess of Kshs. 100 billion in GDP per year;

NOW THEREFORE the Senate urges the Ministry of Roads and Transport, Ministry of Environment, Climate Change and Forestry, in collaboration with the Council of Governors and the National Climate Change Council to –

- i.) identify, publicize and execute suitable monthly car-free days and County car-free zones in urban areas across the country;
- ii.) Identify and develop County car-free zones, also known as "pedestrians' precincts", in urbanized areas, where its infrastructure and activities are restricted to pedestrians alone;
- iii.) provide affordable, safe and universally designed public transport access to and around these car-free zones, including, but not limited to, development of Bus Rapid Transport (BRT) in the urban areas;

- iv.) Design inclusive mobility infrastructure that supports non motorized transport facilities, such as pedestrian spaces, bicycle lanes and green spaces, within the Central Business District of every County; and
- v.) ensure inter-modal connectivity among the various transport modes.

J. Any Other Business

WEDNESDAY
10/07/2024
Communication from the Chair, Messages, Petitions, Papers,
Notices of Motion, Statements, Motions, Bills and any other
Business not concluded on Tuesday, 9th July, 2024.

A. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

***THE GAMBLING CONTROL BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILLS NO. 70 OF 2023)

(The Senate Majority Leader)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Wednesday, 15th May, 2024 – Afternoon Sitting)
(Division)

B. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

*THE TEA (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 1 OF 2023)

(Sen. Wakili Hillary Sigei, MP)

C. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

*THE MATERNAL, NEWBORN AND CHILD HEALTH BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 17 OF 2023)

(Sen. Beatrice Ogolla, MP)

D. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

****THE METEOROLOGY BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 45 OF 2023)

(The Senate Majority Leader)

E. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

*THE NUTS AND OIL CROPS DEVELOPMENT BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 47 OF 2023)

(Sen. Hamida Kibwana, MP)

F. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

***THE CANCER PREVENTION AND CONTROL (AMENDMENT)
(NO. 2) BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILLS NO. 45 OF 2022)

(Sen. Samson Cherarkey, MP – Co-Sponsor)

G. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

***THE NATIONAL CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY (AMENDMENT) BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILLS NO. 59 OF 2022)

(The Senate Majority Leader)

H. *THE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 46 OF 2023)

(Sen. Johnes Mwaruma, MP)

(Second Reading)

I. *THE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 49 OF 2023)

(Sen. Lenku Ole Kanar Seki, MP)

(Second Reading)

J. **THE LOCAL CONTENT BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 50 OF 2023)

(The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Energy)

(Second Reading)

K. *THE CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 53 OF 2023)

(Sen. Mariam Sheikh Omar, MP)

(Second Reading)

L. <u>THE EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION (AMENDMENT) BILL</u> (SENATE BILLS NO. 54 OF 2023)

(Sen. Eddy Oketch, MP)

(Second Reading)

M.*THE FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES PROFESSIONALS BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 55 OF 2023)

(Sen. Mohamed Abass Sheikh, MP)

(Second Reading)

N. MOTION - REPORT OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON COUNTY PUBLIC ACCOUNTS ON ITS CONSIDERATION OF THE REPORTS OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THARAKA NITHI, HOMA BAY, KAKAMEGA, KIRINYAGA, MAKUENI, MERU, BOMET, MURANG'A, NANDI, NYAMIRA, NYERI, SIAYA, VIHIGA, WAJIR AND SAMBURU COUNTY EXECUTIVES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2019/2020

(The Chairperson, County Public Accounts Committee)

THAT, the Senate adopts the Report of the Select Committee on County Public Accounts on its consideration of the Reports of the Auditor General on the Financial Statements of Tharaka Nithi, Homa Bay, Kakamega, Kirinyaga, Makueni, Meru, Bomet, Murang'a, Nandi, Nyamira, Nyeri, Siaya, Vihiga, Wajir and Samburu County Executives for the Financial Year 2019/2020 laid on the table of the Senate on Tuesday, 5th March, 2024.

O. MOTION - REPORTS OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON COUNTY PUBLIC INVESTMENTS AND SPECIAL FUNDS ON ITS CONSIDERATION OF THE AUDIT REPORTS OF VARIOUS WATER SERVICE COMPANIES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEARS 2018/2019, 2019/2020 AND 2020/2021

(The Chairperson, Committee on County Public Investments and Special Funds)

THAT, the Senate adopts the Reports of the Select Committee on County Public Investments and Special Funds on its consideration of the Audit Reports for the Financial Years 2018/2019 (Volume IV), 2019/2020 (Volume V) and 2020/2021(Volume VI), for the following Water Service Companies laid on the table of the Senate on Wednesday, 29th May, 2024;

- i) Busia Water and Sewerage Services Company Limited;
- ii) Iten- Tambach Water and Sewerage Company Limited;
- iii) Kirinyaga Water and Sanitation Company Limited;
- iv) Malindi Water and Sewerage Company Limited;
- v) Mandera Water and Sewerage Company Limited;
- vi) Migori Water and Sanitation Company Limited;
- vii) Mombasa Water and Sanitation Company Limited;
- viii) Nanyuki Water and Sanitation Company Limited; and
- ix) Nithi Water and Sanitation Company Limited.

P. MOTION - ADDRESSING THE CHALLENGE OF POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENT RENEWALS AND ELECTRICITY SUPPLY IN KENYA

(Sen. Wahome Wamatinga, MP)

THAT, AWARE THAT on 29th March 2021, a presidential taskforce was formed to review power purchase agreements between the Government and Independent Power Producers, during which a moratorium was imposed on Kenya Power and Lighting Company (KPLC), preventing KPLC from signing new agreements or renewing existing ones with Independent Power Producers, which moratorium was lifted by the Cabinet in March 2023;

FURTHER AWARE THAT the National Assembly, vide a Motion adopted on 19th April, 2023 placed a moratorium, restricting KPLC from signing and renewing power purchase agreements (PPAs) with Independent Power Producers (IPPs) pending a report of inquiry by the Departmental Committee on Energy and the consequent House resolution on the report;

CONCERNED THAT Kenya imports 17% of its electricity from neighboring countries and faces a challenge as the growing demand for electricity is conflicted with the lengthy process of developing power plants, which usually takes 6-10 years from conception to generation, leading to electricity shortage and load shedding which impedes economic growth;

COGNIZANT of the Senate resolution of 28th February, 2024 on a Motion by the Standing Committee on Energy on inquiry into the high cost of electricity in the country calling upon the Ministry of Energy to, among others, create a one stop IPP office that comprises all the stakeholders required for approval of power plants and that the Ministry, through KPLC and Independent Power Producers renegotiate the current power purchase agreements within 12 months of adoption of the report;

NOW THEREFORE notwithstanding the resolution of the National Assembly that imposed a moratorium on Kenya Power whose timeline has lapsed, the Senate, in order to cushion Kenyans from the high cost of electricity, resolves:

- i. that the Ministry of Energy and Petroleum and Kenya Power and Lighting Company be allowed to enter into new power purchase agreements or renew existing power purchase agreements with Independent Power Producers; and
- ii. that the Energy and Petroleum Regulatory Authority (EPRA) fast tracks the acquisition of necessary licenses required by Independent Power Producers with valid power purchase agreements for setting up power plants.

Q. Any Other Business

THURSDAY 11/07/2024

Communication from the Chair, Messages, Petitions, Papers, Notices of Motion, Statements, Motions, Bills and any other Business not concluded on Wednesday, 10th July, 2024.

A. *THE NARCOTIC DRUGS AND PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES (CONTROL) (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 1 OF 2024)

(Sen. Kathuri Murungi, MP)

(Second Reading)

B. ***THE STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 10 OF 2024)

(The Senate Majority Leader)

(Second Reading)

C. ***THE LAND (AMENDMENT) BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILLS NO. 40 OF 2022)

(The Senate Majority Leader)

(Second Reading)

D. *THE COUNTY OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 3 OF 2024)

(Sen. Ledama Olekina, MP and Sen. William Kisang, MP)

(Second Reading)

E. *THE COUNTY CIVIC EDUCATION BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 4 OF 2024)

(Sen. Esther Okenyuri, MP)

(Second Reading)

F. *THE COUNTY STATISTICS BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 5 OF 2024)

(Sen. Ali Ibrahim Roba, MP)

(Second Reading)

G. ****THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 12 OF 2024)

(The Senate Majority Leader)

(Second Reading)

H. ****THE COUNTY ASSEMBLIES PENSIONS SCHEME BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 14 OF 2024)

(The Senate Majority Leader)

(Second Reading)

I. <u>MOTION – ESTABLISHMENT OF NATIONAL TEACHING AND REFERRAL HOSPITALS IN KENYA</u>

(Sen. Johnes Mwaruma, MP)

AWARE THAT Article 43 (1) (a) of the Constitution of Kenya provides that every person has the right to the highest attainable standard of health, including reproductive health care;

NOTING THAT in Kenya, we have five National Teaching and Referral hospitals with Kenyatta University Research and Teaching Hospital in Kiambu County and Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital in Eldoret, Uasin Gishu County being the only ones outside Nairobi County;

CONCERNED THAT the bed capacity, medical equipment and human capital in these National Teaching and Referral hospitals are not sufficient to absorb all the patients seeking specialized treatment;

FURTHER CONCERNED THAT many Kenyans with critical health conditions travel long distances in order to access specialized services in Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital in Eldoret or Nairobi where the other four National Teaching and Referral hospitals are located, leading to high cost of travel, augmented disease and in some cases deaths along the way;

NOW THEREFORE the Senate urges-

- 1. The Ministry of Health to:
 - i. Establish National Teaching and Referral hospitals in the Coast, Eastern, North Eastern, Nyanza and Western regions; and
 - ii. Fully equip the National Teaching and Referral Hospitals with modern medical equipment, medical supplies and personnel; and
- 2. The County Governments to allocate more funds to their respective health dockets to adequately facilitate their County Level 5 and Level 6 hospitals in order to enhance provision of critical health services to reduce the demand for such services from the National Teaching and Referral Hospitals.

J. <u>MOTION - DEVELOPMENT OF A POLICY AND LAW FOR SOCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT IN INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS IN KENYA</u>

(Sen. Catherine Mumma, MP)

AWARE THAT the Constitution has entrenched a strong Bill of Rights in Chapter 4, which recognizes human rights including socio-economic rights and the principle of equality and non-discrimination;

FURTHER AWARE THAT Kenya lacks a policy for guiding the management of these Social Risks in the design and implementation of infrastructure projects;

CONCERNED THAT inadequate attention to social risks in the planning and implementation of development projects at both national and county levels makes them unacceptable and end up costing the taxpayer colossal sums of money in suits filed before the courts and tribunals by local communities and affected interest groups seeking protection from such social risks;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Senate resolves that:

- 1. The National and County Governments develop a Social Risk Management Policy that outlines the standards, guidelines and procedures for guiding infrastructure and other development projects both at the national and county governments; and
- 2. The national executive establishes an independent multi-sectoral agency under the authority of the Cabinet secretary in charge of Social Security and Protection to design a mechanism that can factor in the inclusion of Social Impact Assessments standards and monitor their implementation in infrastructure and other development projects in Kenya.

K. <u>MOTION - COUNTY GOVERNMENTS TO SET ASIDE LAND FOR THE PLANTING OF INDIGENOUS TREES</u>

(Sen. Richard Onyonka, MP)

THAT, AWARE of the crucial role played by indigenous trees in purification of air and combating of climate change, protection against floods and water pollution, in the field of medicine, nutrition and timber production, among other roles;

APPRECIATING that the National Government, through the National Landscape and Ecosystem Restoration Programme, plans to increase the national forest cover to 30% by planting fifteen (15) billion trees and, in furtherance of the Programme, gazetted 13th November, 2023 as a Public Holiday to allow Kenyans to plant trees;

CONCERNED that the Government is yet to establish elaborate measures for the growing and protecting of indigenous trees and to involve such crucial players as the County Governments, hence impeding the sustainability of the programme;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Senate urges the 47 county Governments to set aside land and resources to be used in the planting and protection of indigenous trees, in support of the initiatives by the National Government.

L. MOTION - STOPPAGE OF FUNDS TO ISIOLO COUNTY DUE TO THE FAILURE BY THE GOVERNOR TO HONOUR SENATE SUMMONSES (Sen. Fatuma Dullo, MP)

THAT AWARE THAT, pursuant to Article 96 of the Constitution, the Senate represents the counties and serves to protect the interests of the counties and their governments, and that the Senate exercises oversight over national revenue allocated to the county governments;

FURTHER AWARE THAT, Article 124 of the Constitution establishes Committees to carry out specific mandates and that Article 125 of the Constitution gives any Committee the power to summon any person to appear before it for the purpose of giving evidence or providing information;

WHEREAS, the Senate Standing Committee on Health invited and later summoned the Governor of Isiolo County, Hon. Abdi Ibrahim Hassan, to respond to questions relating to, among others, the ongoing crisis at Isiolo Morgue, NHIF deductions and remittance status and total amount of pending bill owed to the county hospital, which invitation he failed to honour on 21st May, 2024 and similarly failed to honour the summonses on 28th May, 2024 and 10th June, 2024;

AND WHEREAS the Governor of Isiolo County failed to honour an invitation by the County Public Investments and Special Funds Committee to respond to issues raised in the Auditor-General's Reports on Isiolo County Bursary Fund, the Isiolo County Emergency Fund and the Isiolo County Youth, Women and People with Disability Fund for the Financial Years 2019/2020, 2020/2021 and 2021/2022 on 28th May, 2024;

AND FURTHER WHEREAS the Governor of Isiolo County failed to honour five (5) invitations on diverse dates between 28th March, 2023 and 8th March, 2024 by the County Public Accounts Committee to respond to queries raised by the Auditor General in the Financial Statement of the County Executive of Isiolo for the Financial Years 2019/2020 and 2020/2021;

CONCERNED THAT following the numerous incidents of failure and or refusal by the Governor of Isiolo County to honour invitations and summonses, the County Public Accounts Committee scheduled for a meeting at Isiolo County offices on 8th March, 2024 which the Governor failed to attend;

FURTHER CONCERNED THAT the committees of the Senate, pursuant to Article 179 (4) of the Constitution, invited Governor Abdi Ibrahim Hassan in his capacity as the Chief Executive Officer of the County, and he failed and/or refused to appear before the committees to answer the respective audit queries raised by the Auditor-General with respect to whether or not public monies have been applied lawfully and in an effective manner by the county government;

NOW THEREFORE, THE SENATE RESOLVES THAT -

- 1) pursuant to Article 228 (4) and (5) of the Constitution, the Controller of Budget should not authorize any withdrawal of public funds by the County Government of Isiolo until the Governor has responded to the issues raised in the summonses to the satisfaction of the Senate; and
- 2) the National Treasury, pursuant to Article 225 of the Constitution and Section 96 of the Public Finance Management Act, stops forthwith the transfer of funds to the County Government of Isiolo.

M. Any Other Business

TUESDAY 16/07/2024

Communication from the Chair, Messages, Petitions, Papers, Notices of Motion, Statements, Motions, Bills and any other Business not concluded on Thursday, 11th July, 2024.

A. <u>MOTION – CONSIDERATION OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY AMENDMENTS TO THE EQUALISATION FUND APPROPRIATION (NO. 2) BILL (SENATE BILL NO. 30 OF 2023)</u>

(The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Finance and Budget)

THAT, the National Assembly amendments to the Equalisation Fund Appropriation (No. 2) Bill (Senate Bill No. 30 of 2023) be now considered.

B. Any Other Business

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- **** Denotes a Majority / Minority Party Bill
 - *** Denotes a National Assembly Bill
 - ** Denotes a Committee Bill
 - * Denotes any other Bill