



**REPUBLIC OF KENYA**

**THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT – (FOURTH SESSION)**

**THE SENATE**

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 01, 2025 (MORNING SITTING)**

1. The Senate assembled at thirty minutes past Nine O'clock.
2. The proceedings were opened with Prayer said by the Speaker.
3. **QUORUM OF THE SENATE**

The Speaker, having counted the Honourable Senators present at the commencement of the Sitting and confirming that there was no Quorum, directed that the Bell be rung for ten minutes, pursuant to Standing Order 40;

And there being no Quorum at the expiry of the ten minutes, the Speaker directed that the Bell be rung for a further ten minutes;

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

The Speaker invited the Clerk to call the Orders of the Day.

4. **NOTICE OF MOTION – APPROVAL OF SEN. CONSOLATA NABWIRE WAKWABUBI TO SERVE IN SELECT COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE**  
(The Senate Majority Leader)

THAT, notwithstanding, the resolution of the Senate made on 12<sup>th</sup> February, 2025 on the approval of Senators to serve in various Standing Committees of the Senate, and pursuant to Standing Orders 197, 199 and 228, following nomination by the Senate Business Committee, the Senate approves the nomination of Sen. Consolata Nabwire Wakwabubi, MP to serve in the Standing Committee on National Cohesion, Equal Opportunity and Regional Integration and the Select Committee on Delegated Legislation.

5. **QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS**

**QUESTIONS**

- i) Question No. 087 by the Senator for Murang'a County (Sen. Joe Nyutu, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Education on Junior Secondary School (JSS) curriculum delivery challenges was answered by the Cabinet Secretary.

- ii) Question No. 089 by the Senator for Tharaka Nithi County (Sen. Mwenda Gataya Mo Fire, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Education on deplorable condition of amenities in many public primary and secondary schools countrywide was answered by the Cabinet Secretary.
- iii) Question No. 101 by the Senator for Bomet County (Sen. Wakili Hillary Sigei, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Education on Status of the process for granting a Charter to Bomet University College was answered by the Cabinet Secretary.
- iv) Question No. 102 by the Senator for Kilifi County (Sen. Justice (Rtd.) Stewart Madzayo, EGH, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Education on measures to address the high school dropout rates among girls in Kilifi County was answered by the Cabinet Secretary.
- v) Question No. 066 by Nominated Senator (Sen. Joyce Korir, CBS, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Tourism and Wildlife on current state of tourism sector in Kenya was answered by the Cabinet Secretary.
- vi) Question No. 081 by Nominated Senator (Sen. Karen Nyamu, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Education on progress of the construction of the 18,000 Grade 9 classrooms nationwide was dropped in the absence of the Senator.
- vii) Question No. 082 by Nominated Senator (Sen. Karen Nyamu, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Education on continuity of free primary and secondary education and other critical programmes in light of the Ksh. 43.4 billion budget shortfalls in the education sector was dropped in the absence of the Senator.
- viii) Question No. 083 by Nominated Senator (Sen. Karen Nyamu, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Education on withholding of Kenya Certificate of Primary Education (KCPE) and Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE) certificates by schools due to unpaid fees was dropped in the absence of the Senator.

6. **MOTION – REPORT OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE PARLIAMENTARIANS’ DIALOGUE AT THE AFRICA CLIMATE SUMMIT, 2023 HELD IN THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY CHAMBER, PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS, NAIROBI ON 3<sup>RD</sup> – 6<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2023**

(Sen. Moses Kajwang’, MP)

THAT, the Senate notes the Report of the Proceedings of the Parliamentarians’ Dialogue at the Africa Climate Summit, 2023 held in the National Assembly Chamber, Parliament Buildings, Nairobi, on 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> September, 2023, laid on the Table of the Senate on Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 2024.

Order deferred.

7. **MOTION – REPORT OF THE CONSULTATIVE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE FORUM OF PARLIAMENTS OF THE MEMBER STATES OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON THE GREAT LAKES REGION (FP-ICGLR) HELD IN KINSHASA, DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO (DRC) FROM 22ND TO 24TH JANUARY, 2025**

(Sen. Hezena Lemaletian, MP)

THAT, the Senate notes the Report of the consultative meeting of the Executive Committee of the Forum of Parliaments of the Member States of the International Conference on the Great Lakes Region (FP-ICGLR) held in Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) from 22<sup>nd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> January, 2025, laid on the Table of the Senate on Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 202

Order deferred.

8. **MOTION – ESTABLISHMENT OF NATIONAL TEACHING AND REFERRAL HOSPITALS IN KENYA**

(Sen. Johnes Mwaruma, MP)

THAT, 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.

Order deferred.

9. **MOTION – WELFARE OF INTERNS WORKING UNDER THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION (PSC)**

Order read;

Motion made;

THAT, AWARE THAT, the Public Service Commission has provided internship opportunity to many youths in various government Departments and Agencies for a period not exceeding one year pursuant to Guidelines on Management of the Public Service Internship Programme of October, 2019;

APPRECIATING THAT, since its inception, the internship programme in Kenya has been instrumental in providing practical experience to graduates, enhanced employability, offered networking opportunities and has on a number of occasions led to full-time jobs to graduates;

CONCERNED THAT, internship opportunities are limited in number, skewed in distribution across government Departments and Agencies, lack clear pathway to permanent employment, have inadequate opportunities for skill development due to the short duration that they are offered and that the stipend offered to PSC interns is insufficient with an average stipend ranging from Ksh. 15,000 to Ksh. 30,000 per month which is not sustainable especially to interns living in major cities like Nairobi, Mombasa and Kisumu where the cost of living is too high;

NOW THEREFORE the Senate resolves that the Cabinet Secretary for Public Service and Human Capital Development in consultation with the Public Service Commission reviews the Guidelines to the Public Service Internship Programme of October, 2019 with a view to: -

1. increase the stipend offered to interns to cushion them against the high cost of living; and
2. put in place mechanisms to promote and reward innovation by interns.

*(Sen. Samson Cherarkey, MP)*

And the time being One O'clock, the Temporary Speaker (Sen. Catherine Mumma, MP) interrupted the proceedings and adjourned the Senate without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Orders.

10. SENATE ROSE – at One O'clock

M E M O R A N D U M

*The Speaker will take the Chair on  
Wednesday, October 01, 2025 at 2:30 p.m.*

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