



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT - FIFTH SESSION (2026)
THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

IN THE MATTER OF ARTICLE 118 (1)(B) OF THE CONSTITUTION
AND

IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERATION BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF:

- (1) THE PENSIONS (AMENDMENT) BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 19 OF 2026);
(2) THE COMMISSIONS OF INQUIRY (AMENDMENT) BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 23 OF 2026);
(3) THE FOREIGN SERVICE (AMENDMENT) BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 24 OF 2026);
(4) THE ARCHITECTURAL AND QUANTITY SURVEYING PRACTITIONERS BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 47 OF 2026); AND
(5) THE STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILL NO. 10 OF 2024)

INVITATION TO SUBMIT MEMORANDA

WHEREAS Article 118(1)(b) of the Constitution requires Parliament to facilitate public participation and involvement in the legislative and other business of Parliament and its Committees, and Standing Order 127(3) of the National Assembly Standing Orders requires House Committees considering Bills to facilitate public participation;

AND WHEREAS, the **Pensions (Amendment) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 19 of 2026)**; the **Commissions of Inquiry (Amendment) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 23 of 2026)**; the **Foreign Service (Amendment) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 24 of 2026)**; the **Architectural and Quantity Surveying Practitioners Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 47 of 2026)**; and the **Statutory Instruments (Amendment) Bill (Senate Bill No. 10 of 2024)** were read a First Time and referred to the relevant Committees for consideration and reporting back to the House:

IT IS NOTIFIED that—

(1) The Pensions (Amendment) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 19 of 2026) is a Bill sponsored by the **Hon. Omboko Milemba, MP** that seeks to amend the Pensions Act, Cap. 189, to make the right to pension an absolute right for every public officer. This will ensure that dismissed public officers are eligible for pension thereby promoting fair labour practices as envisioned under Article 41(1) of the Constitution.

(2) The Commissions of Inquiry (Amendment) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 23 of 2026) is a Bill sponsored by **Hon. Gabriel Koshal Tongoyo, MP** that seeks to amend the Commissions of Inquiry Act, Cap. 102, to require that the President's appointment of persons to a commission of inquiry be made with the approval of the National Assembly.

Further, the Bill proposes that a Commission of Inquiry be precluded from inquiring into matters that fall within the mandate of Constitutional Commissions; and that any appointment of a sitting judge to a Commission of Inquiry be made with the approval of the Chief Justice, in line with the principle of judicial independence.

(3) The Foreign Service (Amendment) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 24 of 2026) is a Bill sponsored by **Hon. Charles Nguna Ngusya, MP** that seeks to amend the Foreign Service Act, Cap 185E to provide for seventy percent of the composition of nominees for appointment as high commissioners, ambassadors and permanent representatives to be sourced from career diplomats. The Bill also seeks to provide define the term "career diplomat" with reference to years of service.

(4) The Architectural and Quantity Surveying Practitioners Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 47 of 2026) is a Bill sponsored by **Hon. Joseph K. Tonui, MP** that seeks to repeal and replace the Architects and Quantity Surveyors Act, Cap. 525. The Bill provides for the training, registration and licensing of architects, quantity surveyors, landscape architects, interior designers, construction project managers and their related technicians. Additionally, the Bill harmonizes the regulation of professionals in Architecture and Quantity Surveying and provides for the establishment, powers and functions of the Architecture and Quantity Surveying Practitioners Board.

(5) The Statutory Instruments (Amendment) Bill (Senate Bill No. 10 of 2024) is a Bill co-sponsored by **Senate Majority Leader** and **Senate Minority Leader** that seeks to amend the Statutory Instruments Act, Cap. 2A to prescribe timelines for the making of regulations to ensure implementation of laws passed by Parliament. The Bill proposes to—

(a) require a person responsible for the making of regulations to make the regulations within 12 months, where the enabling legislation has not set the timelines for the making of regulations. Failure to make regulations within the required timelines is an offence punishable with a fine not exceeding two million shillings; and

(b) allow any person to petition Parliament to make a statutory instrument, where a regulation-making authority fails to make a statutory instrument within the specified time.

NOW THEREFORE in compliance with Article 118(1) (b) of the Constitution and National Assembly Standing Order 127(3), the Clerk of the National Assembly hereby invites the public and stakeholders to submit memoranda on the Bills to the respective Departmental Committees listed below—

S/No.	BILL	COMMITTEE
1.	The Pensions (Amendment) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 19 of 2026)	Social Protection
2.	The Commissions of Inquiry (Amendment) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 23 of 2026)	Administration and Internal Affairs
3.	The Foreign Service (Amendment) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 24 of 2026)	Defence, Intelligence and Foreign Relations
4.	The Architectural and Quantity Surveying Practitioners Bill (National Assembly Bill no. 47 of 2026)	Housing, Urban Planning and Public Works
5.	The Statutory Instruments (Amendment) Bill (Senate Bill No. 10 of 2024)	Justice and Legal Affairs

Copies of the Bills are available at the National Assembly Table Office, Main Parliament Building, and on www.parliament.go.ke/the-national-assembly/house-business/bills.

The memoranda may be forwarded to the **Clerk of the National Assembly, P.O. Box 41842-00100, Nairobi**; hand-delivered to the **Office of the Clerk, Main Parliament Building, Nairobi**; or emailed to cna@parliament.go.ke to be received on or before **Monday, 31st August 2026 at 5.00 p.m.**

S. NJORGE, CBS

CLERK OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

18th August 2026

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