



**REPUBLIC OF KENYA**

**THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT – (FIFTH SESSION)**

**THE SENATE**

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 22, 2026 (AFTERNOON SITTING)**

1. The Senate assembled at thirty minutes past Two 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 a Quorum at the expiry of the ten minutes;

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

4. **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR**

The Temporary Speaker (Sen. Catherine Mumma, MP) conveyed the following Communications from the Chair:

**a) On visiting delegation from St. Lucia Irombo Primary School – Kakamega County**

“Honourable Senators,

I would like to acknowledge the presence of a visiting delegation of eight (8) teachers and forty-four (44) students from St. Lucia Irombo Primary School in Kakamega County, who are seated in the Public Gallery. The delegation is visiting the Senate for an academic exposition.

On behalf of the Senate and on my own behalf, I extend a warm welcome to the delegation and wish them a fruitful visit.

I thank you.”

**b) On visiting delegation from Tenwek High School - Bomet County**

“Honourable Senators,

I would like to acknowledge the presence of a visiting delegation of five (5) teachers and one hundred and eight (108) students from Tenwek High School in Bomet County, who are seated in the Public Gallery. The delegation is visiting the Senate for an academic exposition.

On behalf of the Senate and on my own behalf, I extend a warm welcome to the delegation and wish them a fruitful visit.

I thank you.”

**3. PAPERS LAID**

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

- i) The Tourism (Tourism Enterprises) Regulations, 2026.
- ii) The Bi-annual report of the Commission on Administrative Justice for the period July – December, 2025.

*(The Senate Majority Whip)*

- iii) Memorandum to the Senate on a resolution of the stalemate regarding the assumption of Universal Health Coverage (UHC), global fund staff, gratuity payments, wrong job grading and an implemented return to work formula.

*(Sen. Samson Cherarkey, MP)*

**4. QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS**

**Requests for Statements pursuant to Standing Order 53 (1)**

- i) The Senator for Kisumu County (Sen. (Prof.) Tom Ojienda, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on Land, Environment and Natural Resources regarding subdivision and conversion of agricultural land to non-agricultural uses across Kisumu County.
- ii) The Senator for Kitui County (Sen. Enoch Wambua, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on Land, Environment and Natural Resources regarding the increasing pollution and contamination of rivers flowing into Kitui County, particularly the Athi and Tana Rivers.
- iii) The Senator for Murang’a County (Sen. Joe Nyutu, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on Land, Environment and

Natural Resources regarding the operationalization of the Gikono Landfill in Murang'a County.

- iv) The request by the Senator for Marsabit County (Sen. Mohamed Chute, MP) from the Standing Committee on Land, Environment and Natural Resources regarding the boundary dispute at *Arbjahan* along the Marsabit – Wajir Counties was **deferred** on the request of the Senator.
- v) The request by the Senator for Marsabit County (Sen. Mohamed Chute, MP) from the Standing Committee on Health regarding the operations of Bupa Global Insurance in Kenya following its recent licensing and establishment of its regional headquarters in Nairobi was **deferred** on the request of the Senator.

5. **THE COUNTY GOVERNMENTS LAWS (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 52 OF 2024)**

Order read;

Motion made and Question proposed;

THAT, the County Governments Laws (Amendment) Bill (Senate Bills No. 52 of 2024) be now read a Second Time.

*(Sen. Kathuri Murungi, MP)*

Debate arising;

And the time being thirty minutes past Six O'clock, the Temporary Speaker (Sen. Wakili Hillary Sigei, MP) interrupted the proceedings and adjourned the Senate without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Orders.

6. **SENATE ROSE** – at thirty minutes past Six O'clock.

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

*The Speaker will take the Chair on  
Thursday, July 23, 2026 at 2:30 p.m.*

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