REPUBLIC OF KENYA



ELEVENTH PARLIAMENT THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY – (FOURTH SESSION)

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR

No. 061 of 2016

REGARDING WITHDRAWAL OF THE STATUTE LAW (MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS) (NO. 2) BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 2) OF 2015

Honourable Members, the Statute Law Miscellaneous Amendments (No. 2) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 58 of 2015) was published on 18th September 2015 to effect minor amendments that do not warrant the publication of a separate Bill. The Bill, which is sponsored by the Leader of the Majority Party, contained amendments to the following Acts:

- 1. The Industrial Training (Cap 237);
- 2. The National Hospital Insurance Fund Act No. 9 of 1998;
- 3. The Copyright Act No. 12 of 2001;
- 4. The Kenya Institute of Curriculum Development Act No. 4 of 2013; and
- 5. The Kenya Law Reform Commission Act No. 19 of 2013.

You may recall that while moving second reading of the Bill on 5th October 2016, the Leader of the Majority Party formally withdrew amendments to the Industrial Training Act (Cap. 237) and the National Hospital Insurance Fund (NHIF) Act No. 9 of 1998. The Bill was therefore considered and concluded at Second Reading without the two statutes.

Honourable Members, I wish to inform the House that I have received a letter from the Leader of the Majority Party, requesting to withdraw proposed amendments to the Kenya Law Reform Commission Act No. 19 of 2013. This implies that the Bill now contains amendments to only two statutes, which negates its original *omnibus* intention. In this regard, Honourable Members, I direct that the Statute Law Miscellaneous Amendments (No. 2) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 58 of 2015) be withdrawn from the House forthwith. Nevertheless, the Leader of the Majority Party is at liberty to reintroduce the proposed amendments to the remaining two statutes, being the Copyright Act No. 12 of 2001 and the Kenya Institute of Curriculum Development Act No. 4 of 2013, by way of subsequent omnibus Bills or separate legislations. The House is accordingly informed.

I thank you!

THE HON. (DR.) JOYCE LABOSO, MGH, MP DEPUTY SPEAKER OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

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