

THE SENATE

ELEVENTH PARLIAMENT - THIRD SESSION

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 2015 AT 2.30 P.M.

- 1. The Senate assembled at thirty minutes past Two O'clock.
- 2. The Proceedings were opened with Prayer.

3. **PETITIONS**

The following Petitions were reported to the Senate-

i) Breach of the Constitution and other Laws by the County Executive and County Assembly of Machakos County

Pursuant to Standing Order 220 (1) (a), the Speaker reported to the Senate a petition received, in the office of the Clerk, from residents of Machakos County concerning breach of the Constitution and other laws by the County Executive and County Assembly of Machakos County.

Pursuant to Standing Order 226, the Speaker invited Senators to comment on the petition and directed that the Petition be committed to the Standing Committee on Finance, Commerce and Budget pursuant to Standing Order 227.

ii) Unlawful Establishment and Operation of a Municipal Court by the Nakuru County Government

Pursuant to Standing Order 220 (1) (a), the Speaker reported to the Senate a petition received, in the office of the Clerk, from Hon. Margaret W. Kiiru, MCA and resident of Nakuru County concerning unlawful establishment and operation of a Municipal Court by the Nakuru County Government.

Pursuant to Standing Order 226, the Speaker invited Senators to comment on the petition and directed that the Petition be committed to

the Standing Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights pursuant to Standing Order 227.

iii) The State of the National Economy

Pursuant to Standing Order 220 (1) (a), the Speaker reported to the Senate a petition received, in the office of the Clerk, from Major (Rtd.) Joel Kiprono Rop, a resident of Bomet County, concerning the National economy of Kenya.

Pursuant to Standing Order 226, the Speaker invited Senators to comment on the petition and directed that the Petition be committed to the Standing Committee on Finance, Commerce and Budget, pursuant to Standing Order 227.

iv) Various Matters and Activities of the Nakuru County Assembly and County Government

Pursuant to Standing Order 220 (1) (a), the Speaker reported to the Senate a petition received, in the office of the Clerk, from nine members of the Nakuru County Assembly and residents of Nakuru County, concerning certain matters and activities of the Nakuru County Assembly and County Government.

Pursuant to Standing Order 226, the Speaker invited Senators to comment on the petition and directed that the Petition be committed to the Standing Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights pursuant to Standing Order 227.

v) State of Healthcare Services in Kenya

Pursuant to Standing Order 220 (1) (a), the Speaker reported to the Senate a petition received, in the office of the Clerk, from Mr. Bernard Kiprotich Cheruiyot, a resident of Bomet County, concerning the state of health care services in Kenya.

Pursuant to Standing Order 226, the Speaker invited Senators to comment on the petition and directed that the Petition be committed to the Standing Committee on Health pursuant to Standing Order 227.

4. PAPERS LAID

The following Papers were laid on the Table of the House:-

i) The National Government Budget Implementation Review Report, Third Quarter FY 2014/2015

(Sen. Beatrice Elachi)

ii) Statement by the Senate Majority Leader regarding the Business of the Senate for the week commencing Tuesday, 30th June, 2015. (Sen. Beatrice Elachi)

- iii) A Report on the Intergovernmental Relations (Amendment)Bill, 2014 (Sen. Mutula Kilonzo Junior)
- iv) Report of the Auditor General on the financial Operations of Isiolo County Assembly for the period 1st July, 2013 to 30th June, 2014; and (Chairperson, Sessional Committee on County Public Accounts and Investments)
- v) County Governments budget Implementation review Report, third Quarter FY 2014/2015.

(Chairperson, Sessional Committee on County Public Accounts and Investments)

5. **STATEMENTS**

a) Statements pursuant to Standing Order 45(2) (b)

- i) The Senator for West Pokot County (Sen. (Prof.) John Lonyangapuo) sought a statement from the Chairperson of the Standing Committee on National Security and Foreign Relations, concerning insecurity along the Turkana and West Pokot County boundary, particularly alleged breach to security posed by the construction of a road From Kainuk in Turkana County to Sarmach in West Pokot County, thereby reneging on a peace agreement between the two Counties.
- ii) The Senator for West Pokot County (Sen. (Prof.) John Lonyangapuo) sought a statement from the Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Labour and Social Welfare, concerning the status of the once world famous East African Safari Rally.
- iii) The Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Lands and Natural Resources issued a Statement regarding the pollution of Athi River in Machakos and Makueni Counties.

Thereupon, the Chairperson informed the House that he was aware of the disposal of effluent into Athi River and that the Ministry of Environment, Water and Natural Resources is in the process of addressing the problem.

The Chairperson also formed the House that no Environmental Impact Assessment had been carried out on Athi River and that no action had been taken on officers of the National Environmental Management Authority (NEMA) for dereliction of duty as no officer was found culpable.

The Chairperson further informed the House that NEMA had offices in Makueni and that adequate budgetary allocation would be made for cleanup of the Athi River.

b) Statement pursuant to Standing Order 45(2) (c)

The Senate Majority Chief Whip (Sen. Beatrice Elachi) issued a Statement on behalf of the Senate Majority Leader on the Business of the Senate for the week commencing Tuesday, 30th June, 2015.

6. THE COUNTY EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION BILL (SENATE BILL NO. 32 OF 2014)

Order for Second Reading read;

Motion made and Question proposed.

THAT, the Early Childhood Education Bill (Senate Bill No. 32 of 2014) be now Read a Second Time.

(Sen. (Dr.) Agnes Zani on behalf of Chairperson, Standing Committee on Education – 24.6.15)

Debate interrupted on 24th June, 2015 resumed;

And there being no other Senator wishing to contribute;

Mover replied;

Rising on a point of Order Pursuant to Standing Order No. 54 (3), the Nominated Senator (Sen. (Dr.) Agnes Zani) requested for deferment of putting of the Question to the following Day.

And the Temporary Speaker (Sen. Murkomen) acceding to the request nominated Tuesday, 30th June, 2015 when the Question shall be put.

7. MOTION - REINTRODUCTION OF THE UNTRAINED TEACHER (UT) PROGRAMME AS WELL AS IN-SERVICE TRAINING FOR UNTRAINED TEACHERS IN THE NORTH EASTERN REGION

(Department of Education)

Motion made and Question proposed;

THAT AWARE that the country in general and North Eastern region, in particular, currently face an acute shortage of teachers;

NOTING that the problem in schools in North Eastern region counties has been exacerbated by the recent refusal by teachers to report to their duty stations in the region;

CONCERNED that, the National Government has no plans to overturn the current freeze on regular recruitment of teachers;

The Senate calls upon the National Government to immediately reintroduce the untrained teacher (UT) programme as well as in-service training for untrained teachers in the North Eastern region as a measure to bridge the shortage of teachers in the region.

(Sen. Abdirahman Hassan)

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

8. **SENATE ROSE** - at thirty minutes past six O'clock.

MEMORANDUM

The Speaker will take the Chair on Tuesday, June 30, 2015 at 2.30 p.m.

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