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THE NATIONAL YOUTH SERVICE (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2014

A Bill for

AN ACT of Parliament to amend the National Youth Service Act.

ENACTED by the Parliament of Kenya, as follows—

1. This Act may be cited as the National Youth Service (Amendment) Act, 2014.

Short title

2. Section 13 of the National Youth Service Act, in this Act referred to as the "principal Act", is amended as follows-

Amendment of section 13 of Cap. 208

- (a) by inserting the following new sub-section immediately before sub-section (1)- (1) The Service shall have a branch in each County;
- (b) by renumbering the existing sub-section (1) as sub-section (1A).
- (c) by deleting the word "branches" appearing immediately after the words "description of" in sub-section (1A).
- **3.** The principal Act is amended by inserting the following new section immediately after section 16-

Insertion of new section 16A in Cap. 208

Priority of recruitment

16A. Subject to such qualifications as may be applicable, the national security organs shall give priority to the members of the Service in recruitment exercises by the security organs.

MEMORANDUM OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

Statement of the Objects and Reasons for the Bill

This Bill seeks to amend section 13 of the Act in order to provide for the establishment of branches of the National Youth Service in every County.

The Bill also seeks to provide that the members of the Service should be given priority in recruitment exercises by the national security organs.

Statement on the delegation of legislative powers and limitation of fundamental rights and freedoms

The Bill does not delegate legislative powers nor does it limit fundamental rights and freedoms.

Statement of how the Bill concerns County Governments

The Bill concerns county governments in terms of Article 110 (1) (a) of the Constitution as it affects the functions and powers of County Governments set out in the Fourth Schedule. The National Youth Service would, through the County branches, provide services to the County Governments.

Statement that the Bill is not a money Bill within the meaning of Article 114 of the Constitution

The Bill is not a money Bill within the meaning of Article 114 of the Constitution.

Dated the 9th day of June, 2014.

BEATRICE ELACHI, Senator.

Section 13 of cap 208 which it is proposed to amend

13. Service may be divided into branches, etc.

- (1) The Service shall be divided into such numbers and description of branches, units and sub-units as the Minister may from time to time, by notice in the *Gazette* direct.
- (2) Any member, save an officer specifically seconded for a particular description of branch, unit or subunit (in which case he may be posted only to a branch, unit or subunit of that description), may at the discretion of the Director be posted to and employed in any branch, unit or subunit of the Service.