



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

ELEVENTH PARLIAMENT – SECOND SESSION

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13, 2014

1. The House assembled at thirty minutes past Nine O'clock.
2. The Proceedings were opened with Prayer.
3. **PRESIDING** – the Deputy Speaker
4. **NOTICE OF MOTION** – (Hon. Dan Kazungu)
(Departmental Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs)

THAT, aware that Kiswahili is the national as well as official language of the Republic as enshrined in the Constitution; further aware that equality and freedom from discrimination and access to information are fundamental rights; cognizant of the fact that democracy and public participation of the people is a national value and principle of governance as per Article 10 of the Constitution; deeply concerned that a section of Kenyans have a low level of knowledge of their legal rights and laws passed by this House as a result of the existing language barriers; convinced that unless we, as a nation, lay down mechanisms for translating laws passed by Parliament and county assemblies into Kiswahili, most Kenyans will continue being partially aware of the law, this House urges the National Council for Law Reporting to progressively translate the laws of Kenya into Kiswahili.

5. **NOTICE OF MOTION** – (Hon. (Dr) Wilbur Ottichilo)
(Departmental Committee on Agriculture)

THAT, aware that the Government banned the importation of genetically modified imports in 2012; further aware that the Ministry of Health which initiated the ban has consistently maintained that Genetically Modified Organisms (GMOs) foods are not safe for human and animal consumption; considering that no tangible evidence on the same has been provided; cognizant of the fact that local and international scientific institutions and stakeholders have consistently endorsed the use of GMO foods as a necessary measure for the present and future food security in the country; concerned that the National Biosafety Authority (NBA) established under the Biosafety Act was not involved in the decision to ban the use of GMO foods in the country; concerned that the country continues to lose millions of shillings monthly in lost business opportunities related to GMO products; further concerned that research on biotechnology and biosafety has stalled, this House resolves to establish a select Committee to comprehensively investigate and inquire into all matters relating to GMOs, consider and review all related research findings, make recommendations

and table its report within 90 days and approve the following Members to constitute the Committee -

Hon. (Dr) Wilber Ottichilo, MP – Chairperson
Hon. Japheth Kareke Mbiuki, MP
Hon. Rachael Amolo Ameso, MP
Hon. Ejidius Njogu Barua, MP
Hon. Birdi Sunjeev Kaur Birdi, MP
Hon. Timothy Moseti Bosire, MP
Hon. Joyce Emanikor Akai, MP
Hon. (Eng) Nicholas Gumbo, MP
Hon. Florence Kajuju, MP
Hon. (Dr) Robert Pukose, MP
Hon. Cecilia Chelanga Ngetich, MP
Hon. Sakaja Johnson, MP
Hon. Rachel Koki Nyamai MP
Hon. Osman Hassan Aden MP
Hon. Harrison Garama Kombe, MP
Hon. Ferdinand Wanyonyi, MP
Hon. Richard Katemi Makenga, MP

6. **STATEMENTS PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 44(2)(b)**

Pursuant to Standing Order 44(2)(b), the following Statements were issued –

- (i) by the Chairperson of the Departmental Committee on Transport, Public Works and Housing, regarding roads infrastructure network in the country requested by Member for Narok South (Hon. Korei Ole Lemein);

The Chairperson informed the House that the Government is currently exploring alternative means of securing funds towards the expansion of the country's road network. The Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure is holding consultative meetings with the Public Procurement Oversight Authority and has consequently proposed a review of the threshold for procurement of works.

- (ii) by the Chairperson of the Departmental Committee on Health, concerning construction of a Level Five hospital at Salgaa, Nakuru County requested by Member for Rongai (Hon. Raymond Moi);

The Chairperson informed the House that the plans for the construction of the hospital are still on with funding from the Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa and that names of the company that tendered for the project are still with the Ministry of Health.

- (iii) by the Vice- Chairperson of the Departmental Committee on Health, concerning alleged transfer of an x-ray machine from Nyeri Hospital to Mathari Mission Hospital requested by Member for Nyeri Town (Hon. Esther Mathenge);

The Vice Chairperson informed the House that the only condition given for transferring the equipment to the hospital was that Mathari Mission Hospital will undertake repairs before the equipment was given. The repairs were done and this mission hospital met the cost of the repairs of the equipment. The Radiation Protection Board was able to assess the equipment and clear it as safe for use. This was before it was given to Mathari Mission Hospital.

Statement by the Chairperson of the Departmental Committee on Labour & Social Welfare regarding Retirement of COTU and FKE representatives from the NSSF Board by the Cabinet Secretary for Labour, Social Security and Services was deferred to another day.

7. **THE CENTRAL BANK (AMENDMENT) BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO.32 OF 2014)**

(Hon. Kabando wa Kabando)

Order for First Reading read;

Bill read a First Time and referred to the relevant Departmental Committee pursuant to Standing Order 127(1)

8. **PROCEDURAL MOTION – LIMITATION OF DEBATE ON BILLS**

Motion made and Question proposed –

THAT, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 97, this House resolves that:-

- (i) Debate on the Order of Precedence Bill, National Assembly Bill No.11 of 2014 be limited as follows:-

a maximum of one hour and thirty minutes, with five minutes for each hon. Member and ten minutes for the Leaders of Majority and Minority Parties and five minutes for the Mover in replying.

- (ii) Debate on the Children (Amendment) Bill, National Assembly, Bill No.18 of 2014, be limited as follows:-

a maximum of one and thirty minutes, with five minutes for each Member contributing and ten minutes for the Leaders of Majority and Minority Parties and fifteen minutes for the Mover, in moving and five minutes in replying.

(Hon. (Dr) Wilber Ottichilo)

Debate arising;

Question put and agreed to.

9. **THE ORDER OF PRECEDENCE BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO.11 OF 2014)**

Order for Second Reading read;

Motion made and Question proposed –

THAT, the Order of Precedence Bill (National Assembly Bill No.11 of 2014) be now read a Second Time

(Hon. Adan Keynan – 30.07.2014)

Debate interrupted on Wednesday, July 30, 2014 resumed;

Mover replied;

Question of the Second Reading deferred to another day.

10. THE CHILDREN (AMENDMENT) BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO.18 OF 2014)

Order for Second Reading read;

Motion made and Question proposed –

THAT, the Children (Amendment) Bill, National Assembly No.18, of 2014 be read a Second Time

(Hon. Peter Kaluma)

Debate arising;

And the time being One O'clock, the Third Chairperson interrupted the proceedings and adjourned the House without Question put pursuant to the Standing Orders.

11. HOUSE ROSE - at One O'clock.

M E M O R A N D U M

The Speaker will take the Chair today,
Wednesday, August 13, 2014 at 2.30 p.m.

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