



**REPUBLIC OF KENYA**

**ELEVENTH PARLIAMENT – SECOND SESSION**

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20, 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. **STATEMENT PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 44(2)(b)**

Pursuant to Standing Order 44(2)(b), the Chairperson, Departmental Committee on Labour and Social Welfare issued a statement regarding the implementation and effectiveness of the cash transfer programme for older persons in the country, in response to a request by the Member for Ganze (Hon. Peter Shehe).

The Chairperson informed the House that the fund was conceived in 2007 with the objective of reducing poverty in households among older people. Ganze constituency has been identified as a high potential area to benefit and 750 beneficiaries within the 44 locations in Kilifi district. The constituency has further benefited by an additional 150 people in the just concluded 2013/2014 financial year bringing the total to 900 households.

5. **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 now read a Second Time

*(Hon. Peter Kaluma – 13.08.2014)*

Debate interrupted on Wednesday, August 13, 2014 resumed;

Mover replied;

Question put and agreed to;

Bill read a Second Time and committed to the Committee of the Whole House tomorrow.

6. **MOTION - NEED TO DEVELOP A POLICY ON OPERATIONS OF COMMERCIAL MOTORCYCLES**

Motion made and Question proposed –

THAT aware that there is increased use of commercial motorcycles as a means of transport all over the country which in turn has lead to a concomitant increase in the number of commercial motorcycles, commonly known as boda bodas; acknowledging the role played by the boda bodas in enhancing access to transport, communication and commercial activity especially in rural Kenya which is characterized by poor road networks; deeply concerned that most of the *boda boda* operators are not properly trained and licensed to operate the motorcycles leading to frequent motorcycles accidents and loss of lives, noting the prohibitively high costs of acquiring training and motorcycle riding licenses; deeply disturbed that most *boda boda* operators face incessant harassment from law enforcement officers; taking into account the invaluable contribution of the *boda boda* operators to the Kenyan economy; this House resolves that the Government immediately develops a policy on operations of commercial motorcycles (*boda boda*), subsidizes the costs of acquisition of training and commercial motorcycle riding licenses, establishes regional motorcycle riding licensing units and develops public awareness campaigns to ensure safety in commercial motorcycle transport in Kenya.

*(Hon. David Ochieng)*

Debate arising;

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

7. **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 20, 2014 at 2.30 p.m.

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