

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

TWELFTH PARLIAMENT - SECOND SESSION

THE SENATE

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, JULY 17, 2018 AT 2.30 P.M.

- 1. The Senate assembled at thirty minutes past Two O'clock.
- 2. The Proceedings were opened with prayer said by the Speaker.

3. **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR**

(i) Visiting students and teachers from Ngei P.A.G Secondary School.

The Speaker conveyed the following Communication from the Chair: -

"Honourable Senators,

I would like to acknowledge the presence, in the Public Gallery this afternoon, of visiting students and teachers from Ngei P.A.G Secondary school.

In our usual tradition of receiving and welcoming visitors to Parliament, I extend a warm welcome to them and, on behalf of the Senate and on my own behalf, wish them a fruitful visit.

I thank you."

(ii) Visiting students and teachers from Tambach High School, Elgeyo Marakwet County.

The Deputy Speaker conveyed the following Communication from the Chair: -

"Honourable Senators,

I would like to acknowledge the presence, in the Public Gallery this afternoon, of visiting students and teachers from Tambach High School, Elgeyo Marakwet County.

In our usual tradition of receiving and welcoming visitors to Parliament, I extend a warm welcome to them and, on behalf of the Senate and on my own behalf, wish them a fruitful visit.

I thank you."

4. PAPERS LAID

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

- a) Report of the Auditor-General on the Financial Statements of the County Assembly of Meru Staff Car Loan and Housing Fund for the year ended 30 June, 2017.
- b) Report of the Auditor-General on the Financial Statements of the Meru County Investment and Development Corporation for the year ended 30 June, 2017.
- c) Report of the Auditor-General on the Financial Statements of the County Assembly of Kitui Staff Car and Mortgage Loan Schemes for the year ended 30 June, 2017.

(Sen. (Eng.) Mohamed Mahamud, MP on behalf of the Senate Majority Leader)

d) Report of the 62nd Session of the Commission on the Status of Women.

(Sen. Abshiro Halake, MP)

5. <u>NOTICE OF MOTION - REPORT OF THE 62ND SESSION OF THE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN</u>

THAT, this House notes the Report of the $62^{\rm nd}$ Session of the Commission on the Status of Women laid on the Table of the House on Tuesday, $17^{\rm th}$ July, 2018.

(Sen. Abshiro Halake, MP)

6. STATEMENT PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER NO. 46 (2)(a)

Nominated Senator (Sen. (Dr.) Gertrude Musuruve, MP) made a statement pursuant to Standing Order 46 (2) (a) regarding the poor state of schools for learners with disabilities.

In the statement, the Senator informed the House that Article 54(1)(a) of the Constitution provides for the rights of learners with disability to access institutions and facilities and are integrated into the society to the extent of being compatible with the interest of the person.

The Senator apprised the House on the challenges faced by learners with disability, including inadequate teaching and non-teaching staff, lack of funds, lack of medication for learners, old and dilapidated school facilities and lack of instructional material. She pointed out that among the special learning institutions and schools with such challenges included Kabarnet and Kamwanga,

Mumias and St. Brigit's Schools for the Deaf and it was, therefore difficult to achieve parity.

The Senator urged the government to allocate adequate funds for the schools by increasing the capitation from Ksh.2000, since most children with disabilities are usually neglected by the care givers or the parents, leaving them in the hands of the Government, which in most cases, had little resources.

The Senator also appealed to the Senate, through the Standing Committee on Education, to carry out visits in all special schools in the country with a view of ascertaining the learning conditions of learners and make recommendations on how to improve.

7. THE KENYA ROADS BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILLS NO. 47 OF 2017)

Order for Second Reading read;

Motion made and Question proposed;

THAT, the Kenya Roads Bill (National Assembly Bills No. 47 of 2017) be now read a Second Time.

(The Senate Majority Leader – 04.07.2018)

Mover replied;

Raising a point of order, the Senate Majority Leader requested that the putting of the Question be deferred to a later date, pursuant to Standing Order 55(3).

And the Speaker, acceding to the request, deferred the putting of the Question to a later date.

8. THE RETIREMENT BENEFITS (DEPUTY PRESIDENT AND DESIGNATED STATE OFFICERS) (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 2 OF 2018)

Order for Second Reading read;

Motion made and Question proposed: -

THAT, the Retirement Benefits (Deputy President and Designated State Officers) (Amendment) Bill (Senate Bills No. 2 of 2018) be now read a Second Time.

(Sen. Ledama Olekina, MP - 10.07.2018)

Debate arising;

And there being no other Senator wishing to contribute;

Mover replied;

Raising a point of order, the Mover requested the Temporary Speaker to defer the putting of the question to later date, pursuant to Standing Order 55 (3);

And the Temporary Speaker, (Sen. (Prof.) Margaret Kamar, MP) acceding to the request, deferred putting of the Question to a later date.

9. THE COUNTY STATISTICS BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 9 OF 2018)

Order for Second Reading read;

Motion made and Question proposed-

THAT, the County Statistics Bill (Senate Bills No. 9 of 2018) be now read a Second Time.

(Sen. (CPA) Farhiya Ali Haji, MP)

Debate arising;

And there being no other Senator wishing to contribute;

Mover replied;

Raising a point of order, the Mover requested the Temporary Speaker to defer the putting of the question to later date, pursuant to Standing Order 55 (3);

And the Temporary Speaker, (Sen. (Prof.) Margaret Kamar, MP) acceding to the request, deferred putting of the Question to a later date.

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

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

MEMORANDUM

The Speaker will take the Chair on Wednesday, July 18, 2018 at 2.30 p.m.