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TUESDAY: Communication from the Chair, Messages, Petitions, Papers, Notices of 15/10/2019 Motion, Statements, Motions and Bills.

A. *THE KENYAN SIGN LANGUAGE BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 15 OF 2019)

(Sen. (Dr.) Getrude Musuruve, MP and Sen. (Prof.) Margaret Kamar, MP)

(Second Reading)

B. *THE REGISTRATION OF PERSONS (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 14 OF 2019)

(Sen. (Dr.) Isaac Mwaura, MP)

(Second Reading)

C. *THE CARE AND PROTECTION OF CHILD PARENTS BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 11 OF 2019)

(Sen. Beatrice Kwamboka, MP)

(Second Reading)

D. MOTION – ADOPTION OF REPORT OF SESSIONAL COMMITTEE ON COUNTY PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND INVESTMENTS ON ACCOUNTS OF COUNTY EXECUTIVES FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2013/2014

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

THAT, the Senate adopts the Report of the Sessional Committee on County Public Accounts and Investments on the Inquiry into the Financial Operations of Nandi, Elgeyo Marakwet, Baringo, Laikipia, Machakos, West Pokot, Tharaka Nithi, Siaya, Embu and Nairobi City County Executives for Financial year 2013/2014 (1st July, 2013 to 30th June, 2014), laid on the Table of the Senate on Wednesday, 9th October, 2019.

E. MOTION – ADOPTION OF REPORT OF SESSIONAL COMMITTEE ON COUNTY PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND INVESTMENTS ON ACCOUNTS OF COUNTY GOVERNMENTS FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2014/2015

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

THAT, the Senate adopts the Report of the Sessional Committee on County Public Accounts and Investments on the Inquiry into the Financial Operations of Baringo, Busia, Elgeyo Marakwet, Embu, Kajiado, Kericho, Kilifi, Kirinyaga, Kisii, Kwale, Lamu, Makueni, Marsabit, Meru, Nakuru, Narok, Nyamira, Uasin Gishu, Vihiga and West Pokot Counties for Financial year 2014/2015 (1st July, 2014 to 30th June, 2015), laid on the Table of the Senate on Wednesday, 9th October, 2019.

F. MOTION - ENGAGEMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS BY COUNTY GOVERNMENTS

(Sen. Rose Nyamunga, MP)

THAT, AWARE THAT county health facilities, and the promotion of primary health care are devolved functions, and each county government is striving to offer the best healthcare to the people of Kenya;

COGNIZANT THAT, the provision of healthcare services is continuously riddled with numerous challenges ranging from understaffing of personnel to inadequate facilities and equipment resulting in congestion in hospitals further restricting effective service delivery;

NOTING THAT every Kenyan has a right to affordable and accessible healthcare, and the President has launched a pilot universal health care program called “Afya Care” that will see many Kenyans access improved healthcare;

CONCERNED THAT, the diverse nature of counties and wanting infrastructural development is compromising the quality and accessibility of health centres especially during emergency situations, resulting in the loss of many lives occasioned by the failure by patients to reach health facilities in time;

FURTHER CONCERNED THAT, in each county there are numerous unemployed community health workers who are adept at working with communities in emergency situations, and have the requisite experience to support the medical practitioners in our country where, according to the World Health Organization 2014 report, there are two (2) doctors for every ten thousand (10,000) people;

NOW THEREFORE, the Senate resolves that the Council of Governors in partnership with the Ministry of Health –

- (i) Develop a policy for the training, certification and employment of community health workers to enhance the emergency health service delivery in the Counties, and
- (ii) Facilitate the said community health workers with the necessary basic equipment for use during emergency cases.

G. MOTION - FREE ADMINISTRATION OF THE SNAKE BITES ANTI-VENOM IN PUBLIC HEALTH FACILITIES

(Sen. Beatrice Kwamboka, MP)

THAT, AWARE THAT, there is an abundance of snakes in various parts of the country namely; Kitui, Baringo, Wajir, Kajiado, Embu and Tana River Counties among others, which poses a high mortality rate of snake bites across these counties;

FURTHER AWARE THAT, all patients bitten by snakes should be assessed by medically-trained staff to determine the species responsible, the amount of venom injected and the variable time course for development of signs, requiring that patients be kept under observation for at least 24 hours;

CONCERNED THAT, these incidences of snake bites are a neglected emergency in Kenya owing to the low awareness of snake bites as a public health problem in the country resulting to victims being maimed and even losing lives;

FURTHER CONCERNED THAT, poor infrastructure and poverty contribute to delays in seeking and receiving treatment for snake bites including the high cost of acquiring and storing the anti-venom;

RECOGNIZING THAT, it is essential for snakebite victims to get supportive care followed by the administration of the anti-venom as soon as possible following a snake bite;

NOTING THAT, Article 43 (1) (a) of the Constitution provides that every person has the right to the highest attainable standard of health;

NOW THEREFORE, the Senate urges the Ministry of Health in collaboration with the County governments to establish programs to sensitize people on the management of snake bites and to ensure timely supply and free administration of the anti-venom in public health facilities, concentrating on sub county health facilities in the affected counties, and further ensure that these facilities are equipped with the necessary infrastructure for the storage of the anti-venom.

H. MOTION - REPORT ON THE THIRD STATUTORY MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, REGIONAL INTEGRATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES OF THE FORUM OF PARLIAMENTS OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF THE GREAT LAKES REGION (FP-ICGLR)

(Sen. Samuel Poghiso, MP)

THAT, this House notes the Report on the 3rd Statutory Meeting of the Committee on Economic Development, Regional Integration and Natural Resources of the Forum of Parliaments of the International Conference of the Great Lakes Region (FP-ICGLR) held in Bujumbura, Burundi, from 13th to 14th March, 2019, laid on the Table of the House on Tuesday, 21st May, 2019.

I. Any Other Business

WEDNESDAY: Communication from the Chair, Messages, Petitions, Papers, Notices
16/10/2019 of Motion, Statements, Motions and Bills and Business that is not
concluded on Tuesday, 15th October, 2019.

A. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

***THE NATURAL RESOURCES (BENEFIT SHARING) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 31 OF 2018)**

(Sen. (Dr.) Agnes Zani, MP)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Wednesday, 31st July, 2019)

(Division)

B. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

***THE PUBLIC FINANCE MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 3 OF 2019)**

(Sen. (Dr.) Agnes Zani, MP)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Wednesday, 31st July, 2019)

(Division)

C. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

***THE COMMISSION ON ADMINISTRATIVE JUSTICE (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 6 OF 2019)**

(Sen. Petronilla Were Lokorio, MP)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Wednesday, 18th September, 2019)

(Division)

D. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

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

(Sen. Ledama Olekina, MP)

E. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

***THE ELECTION LAWS (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 33 OF 2018)**

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***THE KENYA MEDICAL SUPPLIES AUTHORITY (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 38 OF 2018)**

(Sen. Mary Seneta, MP)

G. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

***THE CANCER PREVENTION AND CONTROL (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 9 OF 2019)**

(Sen. (Dr.) Abdullahi Ali, MP)

H. ******THE CONSTITUTION OF KENYA (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 2 OF 2019)**

(The Senate Majority Leader)

(Second Reading)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Tuesday, 10th September, 2019)

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