

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

TWELFTH PARLIAMENT (FOURTH SESSION) THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

MESSAGES

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

____ (No. 4 of 2020) ____

PASSAGE OF THE PANDEMIC RESPONSE AND MANAGEMENT BILL (SENATE BILL NO. 6 OF 2020); THE CANCER PREVENTION AND CONTROL (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILL NO. 9 OF 2019); AND THE KENYA MEDICAL SUPPLIES AUTHORITY (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILL NO. 38 OF 2018)

Honourable Members,

Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 41, I wish to report to the House that I have received a Message from the Senate regarding its passage of the following three Bills: -

- (i) The Pandemic Response and Management Bill (Senate Bill No. 6 of 2020);
- (ii) The Cancer Prevention and Control (Amendment) Bill (Senate Bill No. 9 of 2019); and,
- (iii) The Kenya Medical Supplies Authority (Amendment) Bill (Senate Bill No. 38 of 2018).

Honourable Members, the first Message relating to the passage of the Pandemic Response and Management Bill (Senate Bill No. 6 of 2020) indicates that the Bill seeks "to provide a legal framework for a coordinated response and management of activities during a pandemic," and to provide temporary measures and relief during a pandemic."

The second Message is in respect of the passage of the Cancer Prevention and Control (Amendment) Bill (Senate Bill No. 9 of 2019) which is seeking "to provide for additional functions of county governments in the prevention and treatment of cancer."

The third Message is in respect of the passage of the Kenya Medical Supplies Authority (Amendment) Bill (Senate Bill No. 38 of 2018) which seeks "to provide for collaboration between the Kenya Medical Supplies Authority and County Governments."

Honourable Members, the Messages convey in part "that the Senate considered and passed the said Bills <u>with amendments</u> on Tuesday, 30th June, 2020 and now seeks the concurrence of the National Assembly."

Honourable Members, Standing Order 143(1)(a) requires the Speaker to cause a Bill received from the Senate to be read a First Time upon conveyance of its Message. Accordingly, I direct that the Bills be schedule for a First Reading during the next sitting of the House. Further, paragraph (2) of Standing Order 143 provides that —

143(3) "Following First Reading, the Speaker shall, within reasonable time, pronounce his or her <u>opinion</u> contemplated under Article 114(2) of the Constitution."

The opinion envisioned under Standing Order 143(2) is a pronouncement, by the Speaker, on whether a Bill originating in the Senate is a 'Money Bill' in terms of Article 114 of the Constitution.

In this regard, I direct that, after First Reading, the Bills be referred to the Parliamentary Budget Office to offer the Speaker the advice contemplated under Standing Order 143(2). Thereafter, I shall guide the House accordingly on how to proceed with the consideration of each of the three Bills.

I thank you!

THE HON. JUSTIN B.N. MUTURI, EGH, MP SPEAKER OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

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