

Fifth Session (297)

REPUBLIC OF KENYA TWELFTH PARLIAMENT - (FIFTH SESSION) THE SENATE

ORDER PAPER

TUESDAY, JULY 27, 2021 AT 2.30 P.M.

PRAYER

- 1. Administration of Oath
- 2. Communication from the Chair
- 3. Messages
- 4. Petitions
- 5. Papers
- 6. Notices of Motion (as listed in the Appendix)
- 7. Statements (as listed in the Appendix)
- 8. *THE START-UP BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 1 OF 2021) (Sen. Sakaja Johnson, MP)

(Second Reading)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Thursday, 22^{nd} July, 2021)

9. *THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY PRINTER BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 13 OF 2021) (Sen. Petronila Were Lokorio, MP)

(Second Reading)

10. **THE SALARIES AND REMUNERATION COMMISSION (AMENDMENT)
BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 31 OF 2020)

(Chairperson, Standing Committee on Finance and Budget)

(Second Reading)

11. *THE COUNTY LICENSING (UNIFORM PROCEDURES) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 32 OF 2020)

(Sen. Mercy Chebeni, MP)

(Second Reading)

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12. *THE COUNTY HALL OF FAME BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 9 OF 2021)

(Sen. Kipchumba Murkomen, MP)

(Second Reading)

13. *THE LAW OF SUCCESSION (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 15 OF 2021)

(Sen. Abshiro Halake, MP)

(Second Reading)

14. MOTION - ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON DEVOLUTION AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS, CONCERNING THE IMPASSE ON THE BUDGETARY ESTIMATES FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2020/2021 FOR KIRINYAGA COUNTY BETWEEN THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY

(Chairperson, Standing Committee on Devolution and Intergovernmental Relations)

- **THAT,** the Senate adopts the Report of the Standing Committee on Devolution and Intergovernmental Relations, on the impasse on the budgetary estimates for financial year 2020/2021 for Kirinyaga County, between the County Executive and the County Assembly, laid on the Table of the Senate on Tuesday, 25th May, 2021.
- 15. MOTION ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE
 ON ROADS AND TRANSPORTATION ON INQUIRY INTO THE
 OPERATIONALIZATION OF THE NATIONAL CONSTRUCTON AUTHORITY
 (DEFECTS LIABILITY) REGULATIONS

(Chairperson, Standing Committee on Roads and Transportation)

THAT, the Senate adopts the report of the Standing Committee on Roads and Transportation on its inquiry into the operationalization of the National Construction Authority (Defects Liability) Regulations, laid on the Table of the Senate on Thursday, 24th September, 2020.

16. MOTION - FAST TRACKING CULTURAL DEVELOPMENTS IN COUNTIES (Sen. (Arch.) Sylvia Kasanga, MP)

THAT, WHEREAS Kenya is a multi-ethnic and multi-racial country with rich and diverse cultural resources such as traditional medicine and foods, arts, craft, music, dances, dress among others;

AWARE THAT, the Constitution, in its preamble acknowledges the cultural diversity of the Kenyan people who are determined to live in peace and unity as one indivisible sovereign nation whilst, Article 11 of the Kenyan Constitution recognizes culture as the foundation of the nation;

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NOTING that, while the Department of Culture under the Ministry of Sports, Culture and Heritage has been playing some of the key roles in promotion of cultural integration, formulation of policies and standards that will guide the development of culture, little information has been available to the Kenyan public;

ACKNOWLEDGING, that culture performs a significant role in the life of a child, the cultural background in which a child is brought up affects the totality of his or her life's activities:

CONCERNED, that our children are losing their sense of identity due to the negative influences due to inadequate cultural identity catalyzed by globalization which has led to catastrophic consequences to the next generation as experienced in our country where a majority of young people are showing symptoms of feeling suicidal, anxious, feeling of hopelessness, anger, violence, feeling isolated, and paranoia;

NOW THEREFORE, the Senate urges the Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Sports, Culture and Heritage to –

- a) Formulate cultural development policies and initiatives to inculcate stronger community values, safeguard Kenya's heritage, recognize local heroes and promote socio-cultural opportunities in the counties; and
- b) Formulate strategies to create an enabling environment for protection and promotion of diversity of cultural expressions in all counties.

17. MOTION - PARKING CHARGES IN PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OFFERING ESSENTIAL SERVICES

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

AWARE THAT, many urban areas and towns in Kenya lack designated car parking areas as a result of imbalance between parking supply and demand mainly due to ineffective land use planning and miscalculations of space requirements, thereby leading to exorbitant parking fees;

NOTING that, most essential services offered in hospitals, educational institutions and other public utilities are offered in urban centers, shopping malls and other designated areas that charge parking fees to access;

ACKNOWLEDGING, that whether they are delivered by public or private providers, essential services such as health, banking, education and other utilities are considered to be public services because they are public goods that sustain the well-being of every citizen and help in the development of the society as a whole;

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CONCERNED, that access to hospitals, educational institutions and other places offering essential services might be hindered due to exorbitant parking fees levied on motorists accessing these services;

FURTHER CONCERNED, that charging entry fees amount to double taxation as the motorists who would have paid the parking fees will still pay for the services they seek;

NOW THEREFORE, the Senate urges the Cabinet Secretary for Lands, Housing and Physical Planning together with the Council of Governors to come up with a policy framework to create an enabling environment for protection of motorists accessing essential services from paying exorbitant fees for parking.

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NOTICE

- 1. **THAT**, pursuant to Standing Order 251A and 251B, the sitting will be a hybrid sitting consisting of Senators who are physically present in the Senate Chamber and Senators participating virtually from a remote location through **Zoom** online meeting platform, as per guidelines issued by the Speaker pursuant to Standing Order 251A(4).
- 2. The Senate resolved on 10th February, 2021, as follows:-

THAT, pursuant to Standing Order 106 (1), the Senate resolves that debate on a Motion not sponsored by the Majority or Minority Party or a Committee shall be limited in the following manner:-

A maximum of three hours with not more than twenty minutes for the Mover, twenty minutes for the Majority Party Official Responder, twenty minutes for the Minority Party Official Responder and fifteen minutes for each other Senator speaking and that fifteen minutes before the time expires, the Mover shall be called upon to reply. –

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KEY

- ****- Denotes a Majority / Minority Party Bill
- ***- Denotes a National Assembly Bill
- **- Denotes a Committee Bill
- *- Denotes any other Bill

APPENDIX

1. NOTICE OF MOTION - INTEGRATING CLIMATE EDUCATION INTO SCHOOL CURRICULUM AT ALL LEVELS

(Sen. Abshiro Halake, MP)

THAT, AWARE THAT it is important that both the current and future generations are better equipped to address the problem of climate change and this can be accomplished by using appropriate instructional strategies such as integrating climate education into the syllabus to assist students in improving their understanding of climate change and acquiring the essential skills to reduce its effects;

ACKNOWLEDING THAT education is crucial to promote climate action as it helps individuals understand and address the impacts of the climate crisis, empowering them with the knowledge, skills, values and attitudes needed to act as agents of change, hence protect the environment and take action by crafting community level solutions.

COGNIZANT OF THE FACT the Constitution of Kenya in Article 42 provides for the right to a clean and healthy environment for every Kenyan, which includes the right to have the environment protected for the benefit of present and future generations.

FURTHER NOTING THAT climate change is a global nightmare with consequences that are already quite visible, and should be a priority for our education curriculum, in accordance to Article 12 of the Paris Agreement which espouses the enhancement of climate change education, training, public awareness, public participation and public access to information;

NOW THEREFORE, the Senate calls upon the Council of Governors in partnership with the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology to:-

- 1. integrate climate education in the school curriculum in all counties to equip all school going children; and
- 2. equip teachers and administrators with the necessary information and training skills to teach climate education in schools.

2. STATEMENTS

a) Pursuant to Standing Order 48 (1)

i) The Senator for Nandi County (Sen. Samson Cherarkey, MP) to seek a statement from the Standing Committee on Health concerning the approval process and importation procedure for Covid-19 vaccines into Kenya.

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ii) The Senator for Trans-Nzoia County (Sen. (Dr) Michael Mbito, MP) to seek a statement from the Standing Committee on National Security, Defence and Foreign Relations concerning the state of mental health amongst officers in the disciplined forces.

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