

Second Session (284)

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

<u>THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT - (SECOND SESSION)</u>

THE SENATE ORDER PAPER AFTERNOON SITTING

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12, 2023 AT 2.30 PM

PRAYER

- 1. Administration of Oath
- 2. Communication from the Chair
- 3. Messages (as listed in the Appendix)
- 4. Petitions
- 5. Papers
- 6. Notices of Motion
- 7. Questions and Statements (as listed in the Appendix)
- 8. *THE NATURAL RESOURCES (BENEFIT SHARING) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 6 OF 2022)

(Sen. Danson Mungatana, MP)

(Second Reading)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Thursday, 9th March, 2023)

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9. *THE COUNTY VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 3 OF 2022)

(Sen. Moses Kajwang', MP)

(Second Reading)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Wednesday, 29th March, 2023)

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10. *THE PRESERVATION OF HUMAN DIGNITY AND ENFORCEMENT OF ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL RIGHTS BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 7 OF 2022)

(Sen. Danson Mungatana, MP)

(Second Reading)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Tuesday, 11th April, 2023)

11. *THE PROMPT PAYMENT BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 8 OF 2022)

(Sen. Mariam Sheikh Omar, MP)

(Second Reading)

12. *THE EMPLOYMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 11 OF 2022)

(Sen. Samson Cherarkey, MP)

(Second Reading)

13. *THE AGRICULTURAL AND LIVESTOCK EXTENSION SERVICES BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 12 OF 2022)

(Sen. Maureen Tabitha Mutinda, MP)

(Second Reading)

14. *THE TEA (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 1 OF 2023)
(Sen. Wakili Hillary Sigei, MP)

(Second Reading)

15. *THE KONZA TECHNOPOLIS BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 2 OF 2023) (Sen. Gloria Orwoba, MP)

(Second Reading)

16. *THE MUNG BEANS BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 13 OF 2022)

(Sen. Enoch Wambua, MP)

(Second Reading)

17. *THE START-UP BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 14 OF 2022)

(Sen. Crystal Asige, MP)

(Second Reading)

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18. **THE EQUALIZATION FUND APPROPRIATION BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 3 OF 2023)

(Chairperson, Standing Committee on Finance and Budget)

(Second Reading)

19. *THE LEARNERS WITH DISABILITIES BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 4 OF 2023)

(Sen. (Prof.) Margaret Kamar, MP and Sen. Crystal Asige, MP)

(Second Reading)

20. *THE COTTON INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 5 OF 2023)

(Sen. Beth Syengo, MP)

(Second Reading)

21. MOTION - REVIEW OF THE MINIMUM WAGE NECESSITATED BY HIGH COST OF LIVING

(Sen. Karen Nyamu, MP)

THAT, AWARE THAT minimum wages in Kenya are specified as part of a national wage policy and guided by the Regulation of Wages and Conditions of Employment Act (CAP 229) aimed at reducing poverty as well as protecting and promoting the living standards of workers;

CONCERNED THAT, despite the increase in Kenya's minimum wage in May 2022 by 12% to help workers cope with the surge in consumer prices, the current inflation rates have had a knock-on effect on the cost of living and doing business in the country with the prices of goods, household energy bills, and transport remaining stubbornly high;

NOW THEREFORE the Senate resolves that the Cabinet Secretary for Labour and Social Protection engages all stakeholders including the General Wages Advisory Board (GWAB) and the Agricultural Wages Advisory Board (AWAB) with a view of raising the minimum wage by at least 50% as from 1st May, 2023.

22. MOTION - REPOSSESSION OF MOVABLE ASSETS BY LENDING INSTITUTIONS DUE TO NON-PERFORMING LOANS

(Sen. Wahome Wamatinga, MP)

THAT AWARE THAT the high unemployment rate in Kenya has pushed many Kenyans to seek loans from Saccos, Microfinance Institutions and Banks to start Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) to sustain their livelihoods;

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NOTING THAT the youth in particular have invested in movable assets, including vehicles and motorcycles, to start business in the transport industry and most of them have signed up to the ride hailing apps including but not limited to Uber, Taxify, Bolt and Little cab;

COGNIZANT THAT the Banking Act 2015 CAP 488 does not provide for renegotiation on the loan repayment agreement whenever the business environment becomes unfavorable as a result of the high cost of living, lowered earnings from the App providers and high interest rates;

NOW THEREFORE the Senate urges the National Treasury and Economic Planning to come up with a policy framework to review the Banking Act in order to renegotiate the repayment terms of the loans and provide cushion for Kenyans with non performing loans and prevent the loss of their movable assets.

23. MOTION - ACCELERATING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (SDGs)

(Sen. Catherine Mumma, MP)

AWARE THAT, the 2030 agenda for Sustainable Development adopted by all United Nations Member States in 2015 provides a shared global blueprint aimed at ending poverty, protecting the earth's environment and climate and ensuring that people everywhere enjoy peace and prosperity;

APPRECIATING THAT, the implementation of the 2030 agenda for Sustainable Development in Kenya started by the official launch of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in Kenya in 2016 followed by the development of the Country SDGs roadmap to guide the transition from Millennium Development Goals to SDGs and the mainstreaming of the SDGs at both the National and County Governments;

CONCERNED THAT , the implementation of the 2030 agenda for sustainable Development in Kenya has been affected negatively by shocks such as continued drought since 2019 in Kenya and around the world , serious invasion by desert locusts, the COVID-19 pandemic and other public health calamities and the current strained state of the Kenyan economy;

NOW THEREFORE, the Senate resolves that the State Department for Economic Planning in consultation with the Council of Governors comes up with reviewed implementation roadmaps for the two levels of Government taking into account the shocks that have impeded or any other that are likely to impede the implementation of the 2030 agenda for Sustainable Development.

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NOTICE

The Senate resolved on 15th February, 2023 as follows:-

THAT, pursuant to Standing Order 111 (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 further that fifteen minutes before the time expires, the Mover shall be called upon to reply.

KEY

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

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APPENDIX

1. MESSAGE

Message from the Elgeyo Marakwet County Assembly concerning institution of measures to address banditry menace in the country.

(The Speaker of the Senate)

2. QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS

STATEMENTS

a) Pursuant Standing Order 52 (1)

Nominated Senator (Sen. Hezena Lemaletian, MP) to make a statement concerning the water crisis in northern parts of Kenya.

b) Pursuant to Standing Order 56(1)(b)

- i.) The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Information, Technology and Communication to issue a Statement relating to the activities of the Committee.
- ii.) The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Labour and Social Welfare to issue a Statement relating to the activities of the Committee.
- iii.) The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Land, Environment and Natural Resources to issue a Statement relating to the activities of the Committee.

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NOTICE PAPER

Tentative Business for

Thursday, April 13, 2023

(Published pursuant to Standing Order 43 (1)

It is notified that the Senate Business Committee has approved the following **tentative** business to appear in the Order Paper for Thursday, April 13, 2023.

MOTIONS

- i.) REPORT OF THE 61ST SESSION OF THE ORGANISATION OF AFRICAN, CARRIBEAN AND PACIFIC STATES (OACPS) PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY AND THE 42ND SESSION OF THE OACPS -EU JOINT PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY HELD IN MAPUTO, MOZAMBIQUE ON 23RD OCTOBER TO 2ND NOVEMBER, 2022 (Sen. Tabitha Mutinda, MP)
- ii.) RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIRST ORDINARY SESSION OF THE SIXTH PARLIAMENT OF THE PAN-AFRICAN PARLIAMENT (PAP) HELD IN GALLAGHER CONVENTION CENTRE, MIDRAND, SOUTH AFRICA ON 23RD OCTOBER 12TH NOVEMBER, 2022. (Sen. Danson Mungatana, MP)
- iii.) <u>INTEGRATION OF ETHNIC MINORITIES AND MARGINALIZED COMMUNITIES IN KENYA</u>
 (Sen. William Cheptumo, MP)
- iv.) <u>DECLARATION OF CATTLE RUSTLING AS A NATIONAL DISASTER AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A SPECIAL FUND FOR VICTIMS</u>
 (Sen. William Cheptumo, MP)
