

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT - (SECOND SESSION)

THE SENATE

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, JULY 25, 2023 AT 2.30 PM

- 1. The Senate assembled at thirty Minutes past Two O'clock.
- 2. The proceedings were opened with Prayer said by the Speaker.

3. QUORUM IN THE SENATE

The Speaker, having counted the Honourable Senators present at the commencement of the Sitting and confirming that there was no Quorum, caused the Bell to be rung for ten minutes pursuant to Standing Order 40;

And there being a Quorum before the expiry of ten minutes;

The Speaker invited the Clerk to call the Orders of the Day.

4. **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR**

The Speaker conveyed the following Communications from the Chair:-

a) Visiting Students and Teachers from Nguruki Day Secondary School in Tharaka Nithi County

"Honourable Senators,

In the public gallery, we have sixty-two (62) students, accompanied by four (4) teachers, from Nguruki Day Secondary School in Tharaka Nithi County who are in the Senate on an education tour.

Honourable Senators,

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."

b) Visiting Students and Teachers from Kamviu Mixed Day Secondary School in Embu County

"Honourable Senators,

In the public gallery, we have forty-three (43) students, accompanied by four (4) teachers, from Kamviu Mixed Day Secondary School in Embu County who are in the Senate on an education tour.

Honourable Senators,

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."

c) Substantiation of Facts that a Senator Alleges to be True

"Honourable Senators,

As you may recall, at the sitting of the Senate held on Tuesday, 18th July, 2023, the Temporary Speaker, (Sen. Veronica Maina, MP) directed Sen. Samson Cherarkey, MP, Sen. Daniel Maanzo, MP and Sen. Beth Syeng'o, MP to substantiate utterances made in the course of debate, following interventions, pursuant to Standing Order 105 (1).

Standing Order 105 provides, and I quote -

- (1) "A Senator shall be responsible for the accuracy of any facts that the Senator alleges to be true and may be required to substantiate any such facts instantly.
- (2) If a Senator has sufficient reason to convince the Speaker that the Senator is unable to substantiate the allegations instantly, the Speaker shall require that such Senator substantiates the allegations not later than the next sitting day, failure to which the Senator shall be deemed to be disorderly within the meaning of Standing Order 121 (Disorderly conduct), unless the Senator withdraws the allegations and gives a suitable apology, if the Speaker so requires."

Honourable Senators,

The three Senators, were not able to substantiate their statements pursuant to Standing Order 105(1), and subsequently requested the Speaker to provide the evidence at the next sitting day in accordance with standing Order 105 (2). Having acceded to the requests, the

Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order, directed that the Senators substantiate their allegations at the next sitting day.

I have reviewed the Hansard report of the proceedings held on Tuesday, 18th July, 2023, and I have ascertained the remarks that necessitated the Senators to be challenged to substantiate their claims. The sittings of the Senate on Wednesday, 19th June, 2023, adjourned due to lack of quorum.

The particulars of the allegations that require substantiation by the respective Senators are as follows: -

1. Sen. Samson Cherarkey, MP

- a. Sen. David Wakoli Wafula, MP, sought the intervention of the Chair to require Sen. Samson Cherarkey, MP, to substantiate the statement that "Most young men in Nandi County who criticize the Governor in social media, funerals and other public functions are taken to DCI".
- b. Sen. Moses Kajwang', MP, sought the intervention of the Chair to require Sen. Samson Cherarkey, MP, to substantiate the statement that "...Some of us who are neighbours know that it was about the border issue and the issue of leaflets from some of the political leaders from Nyanza region."

2. Sen. Daniel Maanzo, MP

Sen. Samson Cherarkey, MP, sought the intervention of the Chair to require Sen. Daniel Maanzo, MP, to substantiate the statement that ".... what is happening in Sondu is politically instigated...."

3. Sen. Beth Syeng'o, MP

- a. Sen. John Methu, MP, sought the intervention of the Chair to require Sen. Beth Syeng'o, MP to substantiate the statement that "Tunajua vizuri sana kwamba sisi wana Azimio tungewachwa tuende kwa barabara kudai haki yetu bila kuingiliwa na polisi au wahuni ambao wanapangwa na maseneta kama Sen. Cherarkey, basi hakungekuwa na vurugu yoyote ..."
- b. Sen. John Methu, MP, sought the intervention of the Chair to require Sen. Beth Syeng'o, MP to substantiate the statement that "Sen. Cherarkey na Sen. Methu wanachochea wananchi ndiposa waonyeshe kwamba sisi ndio tuko na shida."

Honourable Senators,

Pursuant to Standing Order 105 (2), I now invite the three (3) Senators to forthwith substantiate their claims failure to which, the Senators shall be deemed to be disorderly within the meaning of Standing Order 121. In the absence of such substantiation, the Senators will be required to withdraw the statements and apologize to the Senate.

I thank you."

Thereupon, the Senator for Nandi County (Sen. Samson Cherarkey, MP) and Nominated Senator (Sen. Beth Syengo, MP) withdrew the statements attributed to them and apologized to the Senate.

d) Application of Rule No. 5 of the Speaker's Rules Pertaining to Dress Code in the Senate

"Honourable Senators,

During the Sitting of the Senate held on Thursday 15th June, 2023, the Senator for Migori County (Sen. Eddy Oketch, MP) rose on a Point of Order pertaining to the manner of dressing by the Senator for Nyandarua County (Sen. John Methu, MP) pursuant to Rule No. 5 of the Speaker's Rules, on the conduct of Senators within the precincts of Parliament.

In the Point of Order, Sen. Oketch sought the intervention of the Speaker as in his opinion, Sen. Methu was adorned in "Something that is not part of the dress code of the Senate." The Point of Order by Sen. Oketch was further buttressed by the Senator for Homa Bay County (Sen. Moses Kajwang', MP) who argued that application of Rule No. 5, on the dress code, must be done with a degree of restraint on the part of Senators so as not to ridicule the Senate and bring it to disrepute.

In his defence, Sen. Methu argued that besides being a Christian, he professes and subscribes to traditional religious faiths and that the hat he adorned was in line with the traditional religious faith of the *Agikuyu*.

Following the Point of Order by Sen. Oketch, I undertook to make a ruling at a later date on the dress code for Senators acknowledging that a time had come for the Chair to put to rest the boundaries for Rule No. 5 of the Speaker's Rules on dress code.

Honourable Senators,

The matter of dress code of Senators has surfaced a number of times, in the short stint of the 13th Parliament, warranting my hand to render a well-reasoned, considered and final ruling on the matter. I note with

concern that the issue of dress-code has been raised as a point of order six (6) times.

I will summarily remind the House of the number of instances that have arisen concerning Senators' choice of dress as follows, which time could have been used to consider more important matters:

- i.) On 12th October, 2022 when Senator for Nyandarua County (Sen. John Methu, MP) rose on a point of order to highlight the attire of Senator for Kisii County (Sen. Richard Onyonka, MP);
- ii.) During the same sitting, Senator for Laikipia County (Sen. John Kinyua, MP) sought intervention of the Chair concerning the dressing of Senator for Kiambu County (Sen. Karungo Thang'wa, MP);
- iii.) On 14th February, 2023, Nominated Senator, Sen. Tabitha Mutinda MP rose on a point of order objecting the manner in which Nominated Senator, Sen. Gloria Orwoba, MP was dressed, and she was supported by several Senators;
- iv.) During the same sitting, Senator for Migori County (Sen. Eddy Oketch, MP) rose on a point of order seeking the directions of the Chair on the dressing of Nominated Senator, Sen. Karen Nyamu, MP;
- v.) On 2nd March, 2023, Senator for Mombasa County (Sen. Mwinyihaji Mohamed Faki, MP) sought the intervention of the Chair on the dress code of Nominated Senator, Sen. Raphael Chimera, MP; and
- vi.) On 31st May, 2023, Sen. Samson Cherarkey rose on a Point of Order objecting to the manner in which Sen. Gloria Orwoba was dressed, accusing her of being dressed like a Disc Jockey.

Honourable Senators,

Rule No. 5 of the Speakers Rules states as follows -

"Senators are required not to enter the Chamber, Lounge or Dining Room without being properly dressed. This means that a male Senator shall be dressed in a coat, collar, tie, long trousers, socks and shoes, or service uniform,, religious attire or such other decent dressing as may be approved by the Speaker from time to time. An equivalent standard shall apply in respect of women Senators who may also wear Kitenge or such other African attire." Honourable Senators, the Speaker's Rules are made pursuant to Section 37 of the Parliamentary Powers and Privileges Act (specifically Section 37 (1), (2), and (3)), which states as follows:

- (1) The Speaker of either House of Parliament may, from time to time, issue such orders as may be necessary or expedient for the better carrying out of the purposes of this Act.
- (2) Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, the orders may provide for-
 - (a) The admittance of members of the public to the precincts of Parliament;
 - (b) The deduction of any monies due to a member in respect of refreshments or other facilities made available to members within the precints of Parliament;
 - (c) The appropriate dress code for members.
- (3) The Code of Conduct regulating the conduct of Members of the respective House of Parliament shall be as set out in the Fourth Schedule.

Further, Paragraph 7 of the Fourth Schedule to the Parliamentary Powers and Privileges Act states as follows-

- (7) A member of the House shall uphold the dignity and integrity of the House by-
 - (d) promoting respect for the House and its institutions at all times;
 - (e) ensuring that the member's non-parliamentary activities do not interfere with or compromise the member's official duties or bring the House into disrepute.

The rules regulate the conduct of Senators and also govern the admission and conduct of the members of the public and other visitors to Parliament. Breach of the Speaker's Rules results in the matter being referred to the Committee of Powers and Privileges for consideration and action.

Honourable Senators

As I make a determination on this matter, I wish to draw to your attention that as representatives of the people, it is of paramount importance that we project an image that upholds the respect and dignity of the office of a Senator, and the constitutional institution in which we serve. Let us appreciate that the Parliamentary Chamber, and Committee Rooms, including Conference Rooms are not just places where we assemble to debate, they are symbols of our differences of our

democratic governance. The Parliamentary Chamber is a Citadel where differences of opinion are canvassed, critical decisions affecting the lives of Kenyans are made, laws are passed, and resolutions are adopted to shape the future of our country. Therefore, it is only fitting that we treat this Chamber with the reverence it deserves, starting with our attire.

Honourable Senators,

While the issue of defining the dress code may seem trivial to some of us, it holds great significance in fostering an atmosphere of mutual respect and decorum in projecting the image of Parliament. A well-defined dress-code ensures that the focus remains on the issues scheduled for debate, as opposed to an individual's choice becoming the debate hence wasting invaluable time that can be used to debate items on the Order Paper.

Despite this, it is also important to strike a balance between upholding respect and dignity, whilst allowing for individual expression. Our attires ought not to be overly restrictive and suppressive in acknowledging the diverse identities of our communities. Rather it should set reasonable standards that uphold the tenets of professionalism, while accommodating cultural and religious diversity.

To achieve this, it is imperative that we adhere to the provisions of Rule No. 5 of the Speaker's Rules on dress code. To Further buttress the provisions of Rule No.5, I direct as follows, notwithstanding previous directives-

- i) Dressing by Hon. Senators should be modest, appropriate and not ill-fitting;
- ii) Religious attires are allowed based on the Senator's faith;
- iii) The 'coat' in Rule No. 5 should be long sleeved, including that of the Kaunda suit;
- iv) Lady Senators' attire should cover the arms and should be below the knee;
- v) The fabric of all attire should be conventional and decent enough. For avoidance of doubt, jeans, leather, translucent and luminous fabrics, and revealing outfits will not be allowed.

Honourable Senators,

It is important to note that a dress code alone cannot guarantee the integrity of our debates or the effectiveness of our policies. Ultimately it is the quality of our arguments, the respect we show to one another, and the dedication we bring to our work that truly define us as representatives of the people. A professional attire in our parliamentary chamber serves as a visible representation of our commitment to mutual

respect. We also demonstrate our understanding of the importance of our roles and the gravity of the decisions we make.

Going forward, the Chair expects all Honourable Senators to be dressed in formal, professional, or otherwise appropriate attire when attending Plenary sittings and to adhere to the requirements of Rule No. 5 of the Speaker's Rules and paragraph 7 of the Fourth Schedule of the Parliamentary Powers and Privileges Act when undertaking our Constitutional duties.

In conclusion, considering the evolving nature of dressing and considering the importance of the same in enhancing decorum in the Senate, we will commence review of the Speaker's Rules to take into account the above further guidelines and new developments on the dress code.

Be guided accordingly."

e) Suspension of a Senator from the Senate for Gross Disorderly Conduct Pursuant to Standing Order 122 of the Senate

"Honourable Senators,

At 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, 18th July, 2023, the Speaker interrupted the proceedings and adjourned the Senate pursuant to the Standing Orders. As is the established tradition, the Speaker's Procession, consisting of the Speaker (who at that time was Sen. Veronica Maina, a Member of the Speaker's Panel), the Serjeant-at-Arms, the Clerk-at-the-Table and a police officer from the Parliament Police Station, exited the Senate Chamber, on its way to the Speaker's Office.

On the walkway from the Senate Chamber, just outside the Senate Lounge, the Senator for Nairobi City County (Sen. Edwin Sifuna, MP) was heard shouting "Shame! Shame! Shame!" at the Speaker's Procession. However, the Procession proceeded to the Speaker's Office in the usual manner. Subsequently, Sen. Veronica Maina, MP, retreated to the Senate Lounge whereupon she engaged Sen. Edwin Sifuna, MP, on why he was shouting at the Speaker's Procession.

It is at this point that a verbal altercation between the two Senators ensued. Officers of the Serjeant-at-Arms and a number of Senators who were in the room intervened in a bid to calm down the two Senators and defuse the engagement, which would have otherwise resulted in an unpleasant physical exchange.

Honourable Senators,

You will recall that on 28th February, 2023, the Speaker issued a Communication expressing deep concern at the state of affairs in the conduct of the proceedings of the Senate in the few sittings that followed the commencement of the Second Session on 14th of the same month. I

highlighted that a number of Senators had exhibited outright abuse of privilege, and that there was need to maintain decorum and order in the Senate. I also highlighted and appealed to Honourable Senators to utilize other avenues for addressing grievances, instead of resorting to outright disorder, in the event that one is not pleased with the directives of the Speaker or the Chair.

In that Communication, I ordered that a recurrence of the kind of disorder that was witnessed in the Senate at that time would not be tolerated. I also gave the assurance of the Chair and the entire Speaker's Panel, that incidents of disorder would be dealt with firmly and without fear or favour.

Honourable Senators,

A report on what transpired on Tuesday, 18th July, 2023, between the time when the Speaker's Procession exited the Chamber and when the two Senators left the precincts of Parliament, was submitted to my Office by the Chief Serjeant-at-Arms. Upon interrogating the report, I have made a determination that the actions of the Senator for Nairobi City County (Sen. Edwin Sifuna, MP) in shouting as he did at the procession of the Speaker amounted to a disruption or attempt to disrupt the Speaker's Procession and constitute gross disorderly conduct pursuant to Standing Order 122 (1) (k).

Standing Order 122 (1) highlights the instances in which a Senator displays gross disorderly conduct which include "disrupts or attempts to disrupt the Speaker's Procession". The sanctions for the conduct of such Senator are provided under Standing Order 122 (2) which states that -

"The Speaker may call a Senator whose conduct is grossly disorderly to order, and shall order the Senator to withdraw immediately from the precincts of Parliament —

- a) on the first occasion, for a maximum of three sitting days, including the sitting day of suspension; and
- b) on the second or subsequent occasion during the same session, for a minimum of seven sitting days and a maximum of twenty-one sitting days, including the day of suspension."

From the foregoing, and this being the first occasion for Sen. Edwin Sifuna, MP, to be grossly disorderly under Standing Order 122 in this session, I direct that the Senator for Nairobi City County (Sen. Edwin Sifuna, MP) withdraws immediately from the precincts of Parliament for a maximum of three (3) sitting days, including today. The Senator shall not be allowed to access the precincts of Parliament, including the offices, committee rooms, the lounges and dining halls for whatever reason, during the suspension. I also direct the Serjeant-at-Arms to ensure compliance with the directive for the stated duration. For the avoidance of doubt, the period of suspension shall lapse at midnight on Thursday, 27^{th} July, 2023.

I refer all Honourable Senators to the Communication from the Chair of 28th February, 2023, and urge that we maintain order and decorum in the Chamber and in Committees.

I thank you."

Thereupon, the Senator withdrew from the Chamber.

f) Visiting Students and Teachers from Wathini Primary School in Makueni County

"Honourable Senators,

In the public gallery, we have thirty-three (33) pupils, accompanied by twelve (12) teachers, from Wathini Primary School in Makueni County who are in the Senate on an education tour.

Honourable Senators,

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."

g) Visiting Students and Teachers from Olturoto Primary School in Kajiado County

"Honourable Senators,

In the public gallery, we have thirty-five (35) pupils, accompanied by five (5) teachers, from Olturoto Primary School in Kajiado County who are in the Senate on an education tour.

Honourable Senators,

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."

h) Visiting Students and Teachers from Kanjago Primary School in Nakuru County

"Honourable Senators,

In the public gallery, we have sixty-four (64) pupils, accompanied by six (6) teachers, from Kanjago Primary School in Nakuru County who are in the Senate on an education tour.

Honourable Senators,

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."

6. **PAPER LAID**

The following Paper was laid on the Table of the Senate:-

Report of the Standing Committee on Finance and Budget on the Equalisation Fund (Administration) Bill (Senate Bills No. 14 of 2023).

(The Senate Majority Leader on behalf of the Chairperson, Standing Committee on Finance and Budget)

7. STATEMENTS

a) Pursuant to Standing Order 52 (1)

i.) Seneta wa Kaunti ya Mombasa (Sen. Mwinyihaji Mohammed Faki, MP) alisimama kuambatana na Kifungu cha 52 (1), cha Kanuni za Kudumu za Seneti kutoa Kauli kuhusu siku ya Kimataifa ya Lugha ya Kiswahili iliyoadhimishwa mnamo Tarehe 7 Julai, 2023.

Seneta alieleza kuwa Kiswahili ni Lugha ambayo inazungumzwa na zaidi ya watu 200,000,000 katika Bara la Afrika akisisitiza kuwa lugha hiyo inasambaa kwa kasi zaidi ulimwenguni,

ikizingatiwa kuwa mataifa ya Uchina, Japani, na Afrika Kusini yameanza kufunza lugha hiyo nchini mwao.

Seneta aliiarifu Seneti kuwa maadhimisho rasmi ya siku ya Kiswahili duniani yalifanyika Jijini Kampala, Uganda, na yaliongozwa na Baraza la Lugha ya Kiswahili la Afrika Mashariki akitambua kuwa nchi ya Uganda imekubali kukifanya Kiswahili kuwa lugha rasmi nchini humo.

Seneta alisisitiza kuwa inapaswa hatua tulizopiga katika kuendeleza lugha ya Kiswahili izingatiwe zikiwemo Seneti kufasiri Kanuni zake za Kudumu kwa lugha ya Kiswahili. Alisihi kwamba bado zipo hatua nyingi zinazofaa kupigwa zikiwemo kufasiri Miswada ya Sheria, Ardhihali na ripoti za kamati kwa lugha ya Kiswahili.

Senata alihitimisha kwa kutoa rambirambi zake kwa watu wa Mombasa kwa kumpoteza Prof. Mohamed Abdulaziz, ambaye alikuwa Mkufunzi wa Lugha katika Chuo Kikuu cha Nairobi akimsifu kwa mchango wake mkubwa katika kufunza lugha ya Kiswahil.

ii.) Kuzorota kwa Huduma za 'Ferry' Katika Kivuko cha Likoni, Mombasa

Seneta wa Kaunti ya Mombasa (Sen. Mwinyihaji Mohammed Faki, MP) alisimama kuambatana na Kifungu cha 52 (1), cha Kanuni za Kudumu za Seneti kutoa Kauli kuhusu kuzorota kwa huduma za 'ferry' katika kivuko cha Likoni.

Senata alieleza kuwa kivuko cha Likoni kina umuhimu mkubwa kwa maisha ya wanabiashara, sio kwa kaunti za Mombasa na Kwale pekee, bali pia kwa Afrika Mashariki na Afrika kwa jumla. Seneta alihuzunika kuwa huduma katika kivuko hicho zimedorora. Hali ambayo imesababisha umekuwa msongamano mkubwa wa magari na watu wanaotumia kivuko hicho.

Seneta aliiarifu Seneti kuwa, wiki mbili zilizopita, Halmashauri ya Bandari inayosimamia 'ferry' za kivuko hicho ilifunga daraja linalotumiwa na wananchi wengi kuvuka kwa miguu kutoka Likoni kuenda Jijini Mombasa. Seneta alieleza kuwa ukarabati wa daraja hilo lilisemekana kuchukua miezi kadhaa kukamilika.

Seneta alieleza zaidi kuwa Mkurugenzi wa Halmashauri hiyo alizindua huduma za kuingia kwa meli masaa ishirini na nne katika bandari ya Mombasa, jambo ambalo liliashiria kufungwa kwa daraja la wavuka kwa miguu.

Senata alihitimisha Kauli kwa kusisitiza kuwa ni muhimu kuwe na mikakati mbadala ya kupunguza msongamano katika kivuko cha Likoni akieleza kuwa kuna wawekezaji wanaomiliki vyombo vya usafiri na ambao wako tayari kutoa huduma katika kivuko cha hicho, lakini Halmashauri ya Bandari imekataa kuwapa kibali.

b) Pursuant to Standing Order 53 (1)

The Senator for Nandi County (Sen. Samson Cherarkey, MP) sought a statement from the Standing Committee on Information, Communication and Technology concerning alleged breach of customer data at the Naivas Supermarket.

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

- i.) The Vice-Chairperson, Standing Committee on Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries made a statement relating to the activities of the Committee for the period April to June, 2023.
- ii.) The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Devolution and Intergovernmental Relations made a statement relating to the activities of the Committee for the period April to June, 2023.
- iii.) The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Education made a statement relating to the activities of the Committee for the period April to June, 2023.

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

(Second Reading)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Thursday, 20th July, 2023) (Division)

Order deferred.

9. THE PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 7 OF 2023) (Sen. Crystal Asige, MP)

(Second Reading)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Thursday, 20th July, 2023) (Division)

Order deferred.

10. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

THE NATURAL RESOURCES (BENEFIT SHARING) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 6 OF 2022)

(Sen. Danson Mungatana, MP)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Wednesday, 7th June, 2023 – Afternoon Sitting)
(Division)

Order deferred.

11. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

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

(Sen. Beth Syengo, MP)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Wednesday, 21st June, 2023 – Afternoon Sitting)
(Division)

Order deferred.

12. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

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

(Sen. Samson Cherarkey, MP)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Wednesday, 21st June, 2023 – Afternoon Sitting)
(Division)

Order deferred.

13. THE COUNTY LICENSING (UNIFORM PROCEDURE) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 9 OF 2022)

Order for Second Reading Read;

Motion made and Question proposed;

THAT, the County Licensing (Uniform Procedure) Bill (Senate Bills No. 9 of 2022) be now read a Second Time.

(Sen. Mariam Sheikh Omar, MP)

Debate arising;

14. QUORUM OF THE SENATE

Rising on a Point of Order pursuant to Standing Order 41(1), Nominated Senator (Sen. Beth Syengo, MP) drew the attention of the Temporary Speaker (Sen. Abdul Haji, MP) to the fact that there was no quorum in the Senate.

And the Temporary Speaker (Sen. Abdul Haji, MP) having counted the Senators present and confirmed that there was no quorum in the Senate, ordered the quorum bell to be rung for ten minutes.

And there being no Quorum after the expiry of ten minutes, the Temporary Speaker (Sen. Abdul Haji, MP) adjourned the Senate at forty-three minutes past Five O'clock, without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Orders.

15. **SENATE ROSE** - at forty-three minutes past Five O'clock.

MEMORANDUM

The Speaker will take the Chair on Wednesday, July 26, 2023 at 9.30 a.m.

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