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#### REPUBLIC OF KENYA

## THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT - (SECOND SESSION)

## THE SENATE

## **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

## **AFTERNOON SITTING**

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 26, 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 a Quorum, invited the Clerk to call the Orders of the Day.

# 4. COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR - SUSPENSION OF A SENATOR FOR GROSS DISORDERLY CONDUCT, PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 122

The Speaker conveyed the following Communication from the Chair: -

"Honourable Senators,

Hon. Senators will recall yesterday I made a ruling whose effect was to suspend the Senator for Nairobi City County, Sen. Edwin Sifuna, MP, for three (3) days. The Senator left the Chamber as directed. However, today I received an appeal from him against that suspension, as provided for under Standing Order 127.

Honourable Senators,

The appeal raises several issues that merit my consideration and if I am to act on it expeditiously, the earliest I can deliver a ruling is tomorrow. At that time, the Honourable Senator would have already served his suspension and, therefore, my ruling will be unhelpful.

Honourable Senators,

Pending my consideration and rendering my decision on that appeal, I will suspend the suspension meted out against the Honourable Senator to enable him join the plenary today.

Honourable Senators,

Following my consideration of the appeal, in the event that I uphold the decision I made yesterday, the Senator will proceed to serve the remainder of the suspension. However, should I vacate my decision, the Senator will proceed to carry out activities in the House just like any other Senator.

It is so directed."

## 5. **PAPER LAID**

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

Report of the Auditor General on the financial statements of Mumias Municipality for the twenty-two (22) months for the period ending 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2022.

(The Deputy Senate Majority Whip)

## 6. **QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS**

### **STATEMENTS**

## a) Pursuant to Standing Order 52(1)

The Senator for Nandi County (Sen. Samson Cherarkey, MP) made a statement on the exemplary performance of Faith Kipyegon.

Thereupon, the Senator commended the athlete for attaining a hat-trick of world records inside seven weeks by shattering the one-mile world record in Monaco, barely a week after she broke the world record on the one-mile race by clocking 4.07.64 and shattering a record of 4:12.33 previously held by Sifan Hassan set in 2019, in a stunning display of dominance.

The Senator stated that Faith Kipyegon had proved and showed that she is indeed the Greatest athlete of all time, with three world records in 50 days, reminiscent of the feat achieved by legendary Henry Rono, who shattered four world record in 81 days in 1978 and Daniel Komen, who broke three records in one year in 1996 and 1997.

The Senator recommended that such heroes as Faith Kipyegon and Ferdinand Omanyala, who became the first Kenyan ever to win the 100m race at the Diamond League, where he beat his idol, Yohan Blake

of Jamaica, should be honoured by the Senate by being accorded a chance to address the House.

The Senator called upon the Ministry of Sports, Culture and Heritage, Athletics Kenya (AK) and the National Olympics Committee of Kenya (NOCK) to partner with the Ministry of Tourism in using the athletes as brand ambassadors for Kenya to market Kenya as tourist destination.

## b) Statements pursuant to Standing Order 53(1)

- i.) Request for a Statement by Nominated Senator (Sen. Beatrice Ogola, MP) from the Standing Committee on Land, Environment and Natural Resources regarding pollution in Lake Victoria was **dropped** in the absence of the Senator.
- ii.) Request for a Statement by Nominated Senator (Sen. Hamida Kibwana, MP) from the Standing Committee on Information, Communication and Technology concerning sexual exploitation of minors online was **dropped** in the absence of the Senator.
- iii.) Request for a Statement by Nominated Senator (Sen. Hamida Kibwana, MP) from the Standing Committee on Health regarding alleged medical negligence at Kiambu County Referral Hospital was **dropped** in the absence of the Senator.
- iv.) Request for a Statement by Nominated Senator (Sen. Hamida Kibwana, MP) from the Standing Committee on Health regarding the status of medical care at Mathari Mental Hospital was **dropped** in the absence of the Senator.

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

- i.) The Vice Chairperson, Standing Committee on Energy made a statement relating to the activities of the Committee for the period commencing 1st April to 30th June, 2023.
- ii.) The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Finance and Budget to make a statement relating to the activities of the Committee for the period commencing 1st April to 30th June, 2023.
- iii.) The Vice Chairperson, Standing Committee on Health to make a statement relating to the activities of the Committee for the period commencing 1<sup>st</sup> April to 30th June, 2023.

### 7. THE KONZA TECHNOPOLIS BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 2 OF 2023)

(Sen. Gloria Orwoba, MP)

(Second Reading)

Order deferred.

## 8. THE PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 7 OF 2023)

(Sen. Crystal Asige, MP)

(Second Reading)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> July, 2023) (Division)

Order deferred.

## 9. **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, 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2023 – Afternoon Sitting)
(Division)

Order deferred.

### 10. 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, 21<sup>st</sup> June, 2023 – Afternoon Sitting)
(Division)

Order deferred.

## 11. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

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

(Sen. Samson Cherarkey, MP)

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

Order deferred.

### 12. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

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

(Sen. Maureen Tabitha Mutinda, MP)

Order deferred.

### 13. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ON**

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

(Sen. Enoch Wambua, MP)

Order deferred.

# 14. 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 - 25.07.2023)

Debate interrupted on Tuesday, 25th July, 2023 resumed;

And there being no more Senators wishing to contribute;

Mover replied;

Pursuant to Standing Order 66(3), the Mover requested for the deferment of the putting of the Question to a later date;

And the Temporary Speaker (Sen. Hillary Sigei, MP), acceding to the request, deferred the putting of the Question to a later date.

And the time being thirty minutes past Six O'clock, the Temporary Speaker (Sen. Hillary Sigei, MP) interrupted the proceedings and adjourned the Senate without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Orders.

15. **SENATE ROSE** – at thirty minutes past six O'clock.

## **MEMORANDUM**

The Speaker will take the Chair on Thursday, July 27, 2023 at 2:30 p.m.

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