

#### REPUBLIC OF KENYA

# THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT - (FOURTH SESSION)

# THE SENATE

#### ORDER PAPER

#### MORNING SITTING

# WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 2025 AT 9.30 AM

# **PRAYER**

- 1. Administration of Oath
- 2. Communication from the Chair
- 3. Messages
- 4. Petitions
- 5. Papers
- 6. Notices of Motion
- 7. Questions and Statements (as listed in the Appendix)
- 8. MOTION CONSIDERATION OF THE REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON HEALTH ON A PETITION TO THE SENATE BY MS. MERCY JEPCHIRCHIR REGARDING ALLEGED MEDICAL NEGLIGENCE AND STAFF INCOMPETENCE WHICH LED TO THE DEATH OF MS. ANNITA JEPKORIR AT THE MOI TEACHING AND REFERRAL HOSPITAL

(The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Health)

**THAT,** the Senate adopts the Report of the Standing Committee on Health on a Petition to the Senate by Ms. Mercy Jepchirchir regarding alleged medical negligence and staff incompetence which led to the death of Ms. Annita Jepkorir at the Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital, laid on the Table of the Senate on Wednesday, 7th May, 2025.

9. MOTION - REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE, LEGAL AFFAIRS AND HUMAN RIGHTS ON ITS CONSIDERATION OF THE SESSIONAL PAPER NO. 3 OF 2023 ON THE KENYA POLICY ON PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

(The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Justice, Legal Affairs and Human Rights)

**THAT,** the Senate **adopts** the Report of the Standing Committee on Justice, Legal Affairs and Human Rights on its consideration of the Sessional Paper No. 3 of 2023 on the Kenya Policy on Public Participation, laid on the table of the Senate on Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> May, 2025 and **approves** Sessional Paper No. 3 of 2023 on the Kenya Policy on Public Participation.

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10. MOTION - REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION TO THE 2024
JOINT UNITED NATIONS - INTER-PARLIAMENTARY UNION
PARLIAMENTARY HEARING HELD AT THE UNITED NATIONS
HEADQUARTERS IN NEW YORK, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FROM 8<sup>TH</sup>
TO 9<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2024

(Sen. Veronica Maina, MP)

**THAT,** the Senate notes the Report of the Parliamentary Delegation to the 2024 Joint United Nations – Inter-Parliamentary Union Parliamentary Hearing held at the United Nations headquarters in New York, United States of America from 8<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> February, 2024 laid on the Table of the Senate on Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> September, 2024.

11. MOTION - REPORT OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE PARLIAMENTARIANS'
DIALOGUE AT THE AFRICA CLIMATE SUMMIT, 2023 HELD IN THE
NATIONAL ASSEMBLY CHAMBER, PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS, NAIROBI ON
3RD - 6TH SEPTEMBER, 2023

(Sen. Moses Kajwang', MP)

**THAT,** the Senate notes the Report of the Proceedings of the Parliamentarians' Dialogue at the Africa Climate Summit, 2023 held in the National Assembly Chamber, Parliament Buildings, Nairobi, on  $3^{\rm rd}$  –  $6^{\rm th}$  September, 2023, laid on the Table of the Senate on Wednesday, 2nd October, 2024.

12. MOTION - ESTABLISHMENT OF NATIONAL TEACHING AND REFERRAL HOSPITALS IN KENYA

(Sen. Johnes Mwaruma, MP)

**THAT, AWARE THAT** Article 43 (1) (a) of the Constitution of Kenya provides that every person has the right to the highest attainable standard of health, including reproductive health care;

**NOTING THAT** in Kenya, we have five National Teaching and Referral hospitals with Kenyatta University Research and Teaching Hospital in Kiambu County and Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital in Eldoret, Uasin Gishu County being the only ones outside Nairobi County;

**CONCERNED THAT** the bed capacity, medical equipment and human capital in these National Teaching and Referral hospitals are not sufficient to absorb all the patients seeking specialized treatment;

**FURTHER CONCERNED THAT** many Kenyans with critical health conditions travel long distances in order to access specialized services in Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital in Eldoret or Nairobi where the other four National Teaching and Referral hospitals are located, leading to high cost of travel, augmented disease and in some cases deaths along the way;

| <b>NOW THEREFORE</b> the Senate urges- |
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- 1. The Ministry of Health to:
  - i. Establish National Teaching and Referral hospitals in the Coast, Eastern, North Eastern, Nyanza and Western regions; and
  - ii. Fully equip the National Teaching and Referral Hospitals with modern medical equipment, medical supplies and personnel; and
- 2. The County Governments to allocate more funds to their respective health dockets to adequately facilitate their County Level 5 and Level 6 hospitals in order to enhance provision of critical health services to reduce the demand for such services from the National Teaching and Referral Hospitals.

# NOTICE

The Senate resolved on 13th February, 2025 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 that fifteen minutes before the time expires, the Mover shall be called upon to reply.



# **APPENDIX**

### **QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS**

# **QUESTIONS**

Question No. 050

Nominated Senator (Sen. Catherine Mumma, MP) to ask the Cabinet Secretary for Gender, Culture, the Arts and Heritage:

- a) How has the Women Enterprise Fund (WEF) performed in providing affordable and accessible loans since the digitization exercise initiated in 2023 and could the Cabinet Secretary provide data per county on the
  - (i) number of women groups and individuals who have benefited since the inception of the new system;
  - (ii) increase in the disbursement of loans to "Chamas" / Small and Medium Scale Enterprises (SMSEs) over the last two financial years;
  - (iii) increase in the on-boarding of new "Chamas" into the Fund's database since the inception of the digital system; and
  - (iv) number of groups that have dropped out of the Fund due to challenges they encountered during on-boarding into the new system and what the ministry is doing to restore them?
  - b) What measures is the Ministry taking to address concerns regarding the punitive decision of scrapping credit scores for groups that had built their credit scores over the years dating back to long before the digitization of the Fund?
  - c) What is the Ministry doing to ensure women entrepreneurs who wish to do business outside of "Chamas" are not discriminated against when it comes to accessing WEF loans?

#### Question No. 076

The Senator for Kisumu County (Sen. (Prof.) Tom Ojienda, SC, MP) to ask the Cabinet Secretary for Gender, Culture, the Arts and Heritage:

a) What factors have been identified as the major causes of the recent surge in Gender-Based Violence (GBV) cases,

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including the alarming rise in femicide incidents, which reached at least 170 cases in 2024 (a 79% increase compared to 2023)?

- b) What institutional challenges currently hinder the effective enforcement of GBV-related laws, and what systemic reforms are being implemented to strengthen the capacity of law enforcement agencies and the Judiciary in handling GBV and femicide cases?
- c) Could the Cabinet Secretary provide data on the prosecution and conviction rates for GBV and femicide cases in Kenya over the past five years, and indicate whether there are plans to establish specialized GBV courts to expedite and sensitively handle these cases?
- d) What is the current status of the implementation of the Protection Against Domestic Violence Act and the National Policy on Prevention and Response to GBV, and could the Cabinet Secretary provide an audit or evaluation of their effectiveness?
- e) Could the Cabinet Secretary also provide a status report on the availability, accessibility and distribution of safe shelters, psychosocial support services and legal aid mechanisms for GBV survivors across all 47 counties?

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# **NOTICE PAPER**

### **Tentative Business for**

# Wednesday, May 21, 2025

(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 Wednesday, May 21, 2025 (Afternoon Sitting).

### A. BILLS AT THE SECOND READING STAGE

- i) \*THE PROVISION OF SANITARY TOWELS BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 7 OF 2024) (Division) (Sen. Gloria Orwoba, MP)
- ii) \*THE SPORTS (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 33 OF 2024) (Division) (Sen. Edwin Sifuna, MP)
- iii) \*THE SPORTS (AMENDMENT) (NO. 2) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 45 OF 2024) (Division)
  (Sen. (Prof.) Tom Ojienda, MP and Sen. Raphael Chimera, MP)
- iv) \*THE CREATIVE ECONOMY SUPPORT BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 30 OF 2024) (Sen. Eddy Oketch, MP)
- v) \*\*\*\*THE DIVISION OF REVENUE BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILLS NO. 10 OF 2025)
  (The Senate Majority Leader)
- vi) \*THE COUNTY GOVERNMENTS (STATE OFFICERS REMOVAL FROM OFFICE) PROCEDURE BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 34 OF 2024) (Sen. Karungo Thang'wa, MP)
- vii) \*THE COUNTY GOVERNMENTS (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 39
  OF 2024)
  (Sen. George Mbugua, MP)
- viii) \*THE LABOUR MIGRATION AND MANAGEMENT (NO. 2) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 42 OF 2024) (Sen. Tabitha Mutinda, MP)
  - ix) \*THE STREET NAMING AND PROPERTY ADDRESSING SYSTEM BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 43 OF 2024) (Sen. Fatuma Dullo, MP)

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# B. BILLS AT COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE STAGE

- i) \*THE EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 54 OF 2023) (Sen. Eddy Oketch, MP)
- ii) \*\*THE LOCAL CONTENT BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 50 OF 2023) (The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Energy)
- iii) \*THE STREET VENDORS (PROTECTION OF LIVELIHOOD) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 41 OF 2023)
  (Sen. Esther Anyieni Okenyuri, MP)

# C. MOTIONS

- i) REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON HEALTH ON THE COUNTY OVERSIGHT AND NETWORKING ENGAGEMENTS TO TAITA TAVETA, MOMBASA AND KWALE COUNTIES

  (The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Health)
- ii) REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON HEALTH ON THE INSPECTION TOUR OF HEALTH FACILITIES IN WEST POKOT, TRANS NZOIA AND TURKANA COUNTIES.

  (The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Health)
- iii) REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON DEVOLUTION AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS ON ITS INQUIRY INTO THE STATE OF MARKETS IN VIHIGA AND BUNGOMA COUNTIES ARISING FROM A STATEMENT SOUGHT BY SEN. GODFREY OSOTSI, MP AND SEN. DAVID WAKOLI, MP (The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Devolution and Intergovernmental Relations)
- iv) PROGRESS REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL COHESION, EQUAL OPPORTUNITY AND REGIONAL INTEGRATION INTO AN INQUIRY ON THE DIVERSITY AND INCLUSIVITY IN THE STAFF COMPOSITION OF STATE AGENCIES IN KENYA

  (The Chairperson, Standing Committee on National Cohesion, Equal Opportunity and Regional Integration)

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