

#### REPUBLIC OF KENYA

### THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT - (FOURTH SESSION)

#### THE SENATE

## **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

## THURSDAY, MAY 22, 2025 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 OF THE SENATE

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

And there being a Quorum before the expiry of the 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 teachers and students from Bright Light Preparatory School, Kajiado County

"Honourable Senators,

I would like to acknowledge the presence, in the Public Gallery this afternoon, of visiting teachers and students from Bright Light Preparatory School in Kajiado County. The delegation comprises six (6) teachers and forty-seven (47) students, who are in the Senate for a one-day academic exposition.

In our usual tradition of receiving and welcoming visitors to Parliament, I extend a warm welcome to the delegation and, on behalf of the Senate and on my own behalf, wish them a fruitful visit.

I thank you."

## b) Visiting lecturers and students from Sacred Heart University, United States of America

"Honourable Senators,

I would like to acknowledge the presence, in the Public Gallery this afternoon, of visiting lecturers and students from Sacred Heart University, United States of America. The delegation comprises three (3) teachers and seven (7) students, who are in the Senate for a one-day academic exposition.

In our usual tradition of receiving and welcoming visitors to Parliament, I extend a warm welcome to the delegation and, on behalf of the Senate and on my own behalf, wish them a fruitful visit.

I thank you."

## 5. **QUESTIONS & STATEMENTS**

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

- i) The Senator for Wajir County (Sen. Abass Sheikh Mohamed, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on Land, Environment and Natural Resources regarding the illegal dumping of toxic waste at the Wajir County dumpsite and its resultant environmental health risks.
- ii) The Senator for Busia County (Sen. Andrew Omtatah, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on National Security, Defence and Foreign Relations regarding the shooting and killing of residents of Ang'ata Barikoi in Narok County by police officers.
- iii) The Senator for Tana River County (Sen. Danson Mungatana, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on National Security, Defence and Foreign Relations regarding the Gazette Notice No. 6356 dated 16<sup>th</sup> May, 2025 on the acquisition of land in Tana River and Garissa Counties for the construction of the Masalani National Intelligence Service Campus.
- iv) Request for a Statement by the Senator for Kisii County (Sen. Richard Onyonka, MP) from the Standing Committee on Labour and Social Welfare regarding the social effect of unregulated betting and gambling in Kenya was dropped in the absence of the Senator.

## b) Statement Pursuant to Standing Order 57 (1)

The Deputy Senate Majority Whip issued a statement on the business of the Senate for the week commencing Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> May, 2025.

# 6. THE DIVISION OF REVENUE BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILLS NO. 10 OF 2025)

Order for Second Reading read;

Motion made and Question proposed;

THAT, the Division of Revenue Bill (Senate Bills No. 10 of 2025) be now Read a Second Time.

(The Senate Majority Leader - 20.05.2025)

Debate interrupted on Wednesday, 21st May, 2025 resumed for the Mover to reply;

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 Deputy Speaker, acceding to the request, deferred the putting of Question to a later date.

# 7. THE CREATIVE ECONOMY SUPPORT BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 30 OF 2024)

Order for Second Reading read;

Motion made and Question proposed;

THAT, the Creative Economy Support Bill (Senate Bills No. 30 of 2024) be now read a Second Time.

(Sen. Eddy Oketch, MP – 13.05.2025)

Debate interrupted on Wednesday, 21st May, 2025 resumed for the Mover to reply;

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 Deputy Speaker, acceding to the request, deferred the putting of Question to a later date.

# 8. THE SPORTS (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 33 OF 2024) (Sen. Edwin Sifuna, MP)

(Second Reading)

## (Resumption of debate interrupted on Thursday, 17th April, 2025)

(Division)

Order deferred.

# 9. THE SPORTS (AMENDMENT) (NO. 2) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 45 OF 2024)

(Sen. (Prof.) Tom Ojienda, MP and Sen. Raphael Chimera, MP)

(Second Reading)

# (Resumption of debate interrupted on Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> May, 2025 – Afternoon Sitting) (Division)

Order deferred.

# 10. MOTION - REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND BUDGET ON THE FOURTH BASIS FOR ALLOCATING THE SHARE OF NATIONAL REVENUE AMONG COUNTIES

(The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Finance and Budget)

THAT, the Senate adopts the Report of the Standing Committee on Finance and Budget on the Fourth Basis for Allocating the Share of National Revenue Among the Counties, laid on the Table of the Senate on Thursday, 17th April, 2025, and that pursuant to Article 217(1) of the Constitution, approves the Fourth Basis for Allocating the Share of National Revenue Among the Counties for the Financial Years 2025/2026 to 2029/2030 as follows-

County Allocation = (Baseline Allocation Ratio\*Ksh.387.425 billion) + {[(0.45\*Population Index) + (0.35\*Equal Share Index) + (0.12\*Poverty Index) + (0.08\*Geographical Size Index)] \*Additional County Equal Share above the baseline}.

Where -

- i. Baseline =Ksh.387.425 billion being the equitable share for the Financial Year 2024/2025;
- ii. Baseline Allocation Ratio = The allocation factor derived from each County's allocation for the Financial Year 2024/2025;
- iii. The Population Index is based on the 2019 Kenya Population and Housing Census (KPHC);
- iv. The Poverty Index is based on the 2022 Kenya Poverty Report by the Kenya National Bureau of Statistics (KNBS);
- v. Geographical Size is capped at 10%."

Order deferred.

# 11. THE COOPERATIVES BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILLS NO. 7 OF 2024)

Order for Second Reading read;

Motion made and question proposed;

THAT, the Cooperatives Bill (National Assembly Bills No. 7 of 2024) be now read a Second Time

(The Senate Majority Leader)

Debate arising;

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. Abdul Haji, MP), acceding to the request, nominated Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> May, 2025 as the day when the Question shall be put.

The Temporary Speaker (Sen. Abdul Haji, MP), for the convenience of the Senate, pursuant to Standing Order 34 (2A), adjourned the Senate at thirty-eight minutes past Six O'clock without Question put.

12. **SENATE ROSE** – at thirty-eight minutes past Six O'clock.

### MEMORANDUM

The Speaker will take the Chair on Tuesday, May 27, 2025 at 2:30 pm