

REPUBLIC OF KENYA THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT - FOURTH SESSION (2025) THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

IN THE MATTER OF ARTICLE 118(1) (b) OF THE CONSTITUTION AND

IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERATION BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PENAL CODE (AMENDMENT) BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL No. 53 OF 2024)

INVITATION TO SUBMIT MEMORANDA

WHEREAS, Article 118(1) (b) of the Constitution of Kenya requires Parliament to facilitate public participation and involvement in the legislative and other business of Parliament and its Committees, and National Assembly Standing Order 127(3) requires House Committees considering Bills to facilitate public participation;

AND WHEREAS, the **Penal Code (Amendment) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 53 of 2024)** was read a First Time on 4th June 2024 and referred to the **Departmental Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs** for consideration and reporting to the House;

IT IS NOTIFIED that the Penal Code (Amendment) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 53 of 2024) is a Bill sponsored by Hon. Anthony Tom Oluoch, MP seeking to amend the Penal Code. Cap. 63 to delete section 226. The proposed amendment seeks to decriminalize the offence of attempted suicide.

NOW THEREFORE, in compliance with Article 118(1) (b) of the Constitution and Standing Order 127(3), the Clerk of the National Assembly hereby invites the public and stakeholders to submit memoranda on The Penal Code (Amendment) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 53 of 2024) to the **Departmental Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs**.

Copies of the Bill are available at the National Assembly Table Office, Main Parliament Buildings and on www.parliament.go.ke/the-national-assembly/house-business/bills.

The memoranda may be forwarded to the Clerk of the National Assembly, P.O. Box 41842-00100, Nairobi; hand-delivered to the Office of the Clerk, Main Parliament Buildings, Nairobi; or emailed to cna@parliament.go.ke to be received on or before Tuesday, 24th June 2025 at 5.00 p.m.

S. NJOROGE CLERK OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY 11th June 2025