



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

**THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT - (FOURTH SESSION)
THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

MESSAGES

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

(No. 013 of 2025)

ON THE PASSAGE OF SEVEN (7) BILLS

1. Honourable Members, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 41(4), I wish to report to the House that I have received seven (7) Messages from the Senate regarding its consideration of the following four (4) Senate Bills and three (3) National Assembly Bills—

- (1) The County Governments Additional Allocations (No. 2) Bill (Senate Bill No. 8 of 2025);**
- (2) The County Allocation of Revenue Bill (Senate Bill No. 9 of 2025);**
- (3) The Equalisation Fund Appropriation Bill (Senate Bill No. 7 of 2025);**
- (4) The Startup Bill (Senate Bill No. 14 of 2022);**
- (5) The Social Protection Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 12 of 2025);**
- (6) The Conflict of Interest Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 12 of 2023); and**
- (7) The Mediated Version of the Gambling Control Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 7 of 2023).**

2. In summary, **Honourable Members**, the Messages with respect to the four (4) Senate Bills seek the prioritization of the consideration the four (4) Senate Bills by the National Assembly. Standing Order 143(1)(c) requires the Speaker to cause a Bill received from the Senate to be read a First Time upon reporting of its Message to the House.
3. Indeed, you will recall that **the County Allocation of Revenue Bill (Senate Bill No. 9 of 2025)** and the **County Governments Additional Allocations (No. 2) Bill (Senate Bill No. 8 of 2025)** were read a First Time on 31st July 2025. The two Bills therefore stand committed to the **Budget and Appropriations Committee** for consideration. The House Business Committee has prioritized the two Bills for consideration by the House tomorrow.
4. **Honourable Members**, with respect to the Message on **the Equalisation Fund Appropriation Bill (Senate Bill No. 7 of 2025)**, I direct the Clerk to schedule the Bill for First Reading when the House sits next. However, you will recall that on 30th July 2025, this House passed the Equalisation Fund Appropriation Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 21 of 2025), following which I referred it to the Senate for consideration.
5. Noteworthy, the two Bills seek to achieve a similar objective. In this regard, the House is to await the recommendations of the Budget and Appropriations Committee on how to proceed with the Bill.
6. **Honourable Members**, on the Senate's **rejection** of the National Assembly amendments regarding the Startup Bill (Senate Bill No. 14 of 2022), the Bill now stands committed to a mediation committee pursuant to the provisions of Article 112(2)(b) of the Constitution.

7. Therefore, I call upon the Leadership of the Majority Party and the Minority Party in this House to nominate Members to represent the National Assembly in the Committee to be established to consider the Bill in accordance with Article 113(1) of the Constitution.
8. **Honourable Members**, the Messages on the passage of **the Social Protection Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 12 of 2025)** and the **President's Reservations to the Conflict of Interest Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 12 of 2023)** have been conveyed for purposes of compliance and notification. This follows the passage of the said Bills by the Senate in the form passed by the National Assembly.
9. Indeed, I presented the two Bills to His Excellency the President for Assent in accordance with the provisions of Article 110(5) and 115(3) of the Constitution, respectively. The Bills were assented to and are now part of our laws.
10. Finally, **Honourable Members**, regarding the Senate's approval of the **Mediated Version of the Gambling Control Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 7 of 2023)**, you will recall that this House did consider and pass the agreed version of the Bill on 31st July 2025. I will therefore proceed to present the Bill to His Excellency the President for Assent in accordance with the provisions of Article 113(3) of the Constitution.
11. The House is accordingly guided.

I thank you!


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