



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT – (FIFTH SESSION)

THE SENATE

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, JUNE, 11, 2026

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 Temporary Speaker (Sen. Wakili Hillary Sigei, CBS, MP) 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. **MESSAGE FROM THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY – PASSAGE BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, OF THE CROPS (AMENDMENT) BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILLS NO.8 OF 2023)**

The Temporary Speaker (Sen. Wakili Hillary Sigei, CBS, MP) conveyed the following Message from the National Assembly:

“Honourable Senators,

I wish to report to the Senate that, pursuant to Standing Order 46(3) and (4), I have received the following Message from the Speaker of the National Assembly regarding the approval by the National Assembly of the Crops (Amendment) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 8 of 2023).

The Message, dated Wednesday, 3rd June, 2026, was received in the Office of the Clerk of the Senate on, Wednesday, 9th June, 2026.

Pursuant to Standing Order 46(4), I now report the Message-

"PURSUANT to the provisions of Standing Orders 41(1) and 142 of the National Assembly Standing Orders, I hereby convey the following Message from the National Assembly-

WHEREAS the Crops (Amendment) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 8 of 2023) was published vide Kenya Gazette Supplement No. 30 of 15th March 2023 as a Bill seeking to amend the Crops Act, CAP.318, to include Achiote (Mrangi) as a scheduled crop;

AND WHEREAS on Wednesday, 29th April 2026, the National Assembly considered and passed the said Bill without amendments;

NOW THEREFORE, in accordance with the provisions of Article 110(4) of the Constitution and Standing Order 142 of the National Assembly Standing Orders, I hereby refer the said Bill to the Senate for consideration."

Honourable Senators,

Pursuant to Standing Order No. 163 which requires that a Bill which originates in the National Assembly be proceeded with by the Senate in the same manner as a Bill introduced in the Senate by way of First Reading in accordance with Standing Order No.144; I direct that the Crops (Amendment) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 8 of 2023) be listed in the Order Paper to be Read a First Time.

I thank you."

5. **PETITION**

Pursuant to Standing Order 236 (2)(b), Sen. Veronica Maina, MP, reported a Petition to the Senate by Mr. Peter Makara Ngure and other Petitioners regarding the illegal freezing of salaries and the exclusion of 313 Seconded Earley Childhood Development Education (ECDE) programme officers from Statutory Pension Rights under Cap 189.

Pursuant to Standing Order 238 (1), the Speaker committed the Petition to the Standing Committee on Education for consideration.

6. **PAPERS LAID**

The following Papers were laid on the Table of the Senate –

- i) Report of the Standing Committee on Justice, Legal Affairs and Human Rights on its consideration of a Petition to the Senate by Mr. Laban Omusundi regarding the enactment of a legal framework to provide for recall of the President or a Governor through a citizen initiative.

(Sen. Daniel Maanzo, MP on behalf of the Chairperson, Standing Committee on Justice, Legal Affairs and Human Rights)

- ii) Statement on the business of the Senate for the week commencing Tuesday, 16th June, 2026.

(The Senate Majority Leader)

7. **NOTICE OF MOTION – CONSIDERATION OF A REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE, LEGAL AFFAIRS AND HUMAN RIGHTS ON ITS CONSIDERATION OF A PETITION TO THE SENATE BY MR. LABAN OMUSUNDI REGARDING THE ENACTMENT OF A LEGAL FRAMEWORK TO PROVIDE FOR THE RECALL OF THE PRESIDENT OR A GOVERNOR THROUGH A CITIZEN INITIATIVE**

(Sen. Daniel Maanzo, MP on behalf of 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 a Petition to the Senate by Mr. Laban Omusundi regarding the enactment of a legal framework to provide for recall of the President or a Governor through a citizen initiative, laid on the table of the Senate on Thursday, 11th June, 2026.

8. **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR**

The Temporary Speaker (Sen. Wakili Hillary Sigei, MP) conveyed the following Communications from the Chair:

a) **Visiting delegation of teachers and students from Maikona Girls Senior School in Marsabit County**

“Honourable Senators,

I would like to acknowledge the presence, in the Public Gallery this afternoon, of a visiting delegation of six (6) teachers and sixty- nine (69) students from Maikona Girls Senior School in Marsabit County. The delegation is visiting the Senate for an academic exposition.

On behalf of the Senate and on my own behalf, I extend a warm welcome to the delegation and wish them a fruitful visit.

I thank you.”

b) **Visiting delegation of teachers and students from Mashuuru Boys High School in Kajiado County**

“Honourable Senators,

I would like to acknowledge the presence, in the Public Gallery this afternoon, of a visiting delegation of two (2) teachers and fifty- five (55) students from Mashuuru Boys High School in Kajiado County. The delegation is visiting the Senate for an academic exposition.

On behalf of the Senate and on my own behalf, I extend a warm welcome to the delegation and wish them a fruitful visit.

I thank you.”

The Temporary Speaker (Sen. Abdul Haji, CBS, MP) conveyed the following Communication from the Chair:

c) **Visiting delegation of teachers and students from Kiambu Senior School in Kitui County**

“Honourable Senators,

I would like to acknowledge the presence, in the Public Gallery this afternoon, of a visiting delegation of three (3) teachers and forty nine (49) students from Kiambu Senior School in Kitui County. The delegation is visiting the Senate for an academic exposition.

On behalf of the Senate and on my own behalf, I extend a warm welcome to the delegation and wish them a fruitful visit.

I thank you.”

9. **QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS**

a) **Requests for Statement pursuant to Standing Order 53(1)**

- i) The Senator for Busia County (Sen. Andrew Omtatah Okoiti, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on Finance and Budget regarding the effectiveness of the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC) in addressing recurring audit queries, budgetary irregularities and systematic corruption in the national and county government levels.
- ii) The Senator for Busia County (Sen. Andrew Omtatah Okoiti, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on Labour and Social Welfare regarding the persistent internal governance wrangles at Cricket Kenya (CK).
- iii) The Senator for Busia County (Sen. Andrew Omtatah Okoiti, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on Energy regarding the ownership structure and beneficial ownership disclosure of shareholders in Kenya Pipeline Company (KPC).
- iv) The Senator for Tana River County (Sen. (Dr.) Danson Mungatana, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on Roads, Transportation and Housing regarding the prolonged and unexplained stalling of construction of the Tana River County headquarters.
- v) The Senator for Murang’a County (Sen. Joe Nyutu, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on Health regarding the expiry of drugs and medical supplies worth approximately Kshs.1 billion at the Kenya Medical Supplies Authority (KEMSA).
- vi) Nominated Senator (Sen. Hamida Kibwana, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on National Security, Defence and Foreign Relations

regarding reports of foreign nationals illegally acquiring Kenyan identity cards, passports, birth certificates and other citizenship documents.

- vii) Nominated Senator (Sen. Hamida Kibwana, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on Justice, Legal Affairs and Human Rights regarding the implementation status of legal and policy reforms proposed in the November 2025 Report of the Technical Working Group on Gender-Based Violence (GBV).
- viii) The Senator for Samburu County (Sen. (Dr.) Lelegwe Ltumbesi, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on National Security, Defense and Foreign Relations and regarding the welfare and working conditions of the National Police Reservists (NPR) in Samburu County.
- ix) The Senator for Kitui County (Sen. Enoch Wambua, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on Health regarding the congestion of patients and bed sharing in public health facilities in Kitui County.
- x) Request for Statement by the Senator for Nairobi City County (Sen. Edwin Sifuna, MP) from the Standing Committee on Health regarding the elevation of Jaramogi Oginga Odinga Teaching and Referral Hospital (JOOTRH) in Kisumu County to a level 6 National Teaching and Referral Hospital was dropped.

b) Statement pursuant to Standing Order 56(1) (b)

The Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Finance and Budget made a Statement pursuant to Standing Order No. 56(1)(a), relating the exercise of powers by the Cabinet Secretary for Finance under Article 225 of the Constitution to stop the transfer of funds to the County Government of Meru.

The Committee noted that this action, taken in April 2026, was premised on a long-standing arbitral award and accrued interest. It was only the second time such powers had been invoked since the advent of devolution, the first instance being in 2019 when transfers to fifteen counties were halted due to failure to clear eligible pending bills. In both cases, the Cabinet Secretary considered the non-payment of financial obligations a persistent breach of the Public Finance Management Act, 2012.

The Chairperson emphasized that while the Senate did not approve the stoppage of funds, its constitutional duty under Article 96(1) and (3) extends beyond rejecting such measures. The Senate is mandated to protect counties and oversee national revenue allocated to them, which requires addressing systemic issues such as pending bills. The Controller of Budget's report for the Financial Year 2025/2026 revealed cumulative pending bills amounting to Kshs.163.74 billion as of December 2025. This alarming figure not only undermines the effective discharge of county functions but also leaves countless suppliers and contractors uncompensated, raising a moral obligation for the Senate to safeguard both counties and citizens' livelihoods.

In conclusion, the Chairperson underscored that piecemeal interventions will only exacerbate the crisis of pending bills. The Committee on Finance and Budget therefore recommends a comprehensive and coordinated approach. This includes engaging the Controller of Budget to provide detailed county-specific data on pending bills and remedial actions taken, working with the National Treasury to develop collective interventions, and collaborating with the Council of Governors to identify systemic causes and design holistic solutions to prevent recurrence. Such measures, the Committee argued, are necessary to ensure prudent financial management, uphold constitutional obligations, and restore confidence among citizens and stakeholders in the devolved system of government.

c) **Statement pursuant to Standing Order 57 (1)**

The Senate Majority Leader issued a Statement on the business of the Senate for the week commencing Tuesday, 9th June, 2026.

10. **THE COUNTY GOVERNMENTS ADDITIONAL ALLOCATIONS BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 8 OF 2026)**

(The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Finance and Budget)

(Second Reading)

***(Resumption of debate interrupted on Wednesday, 10th June, 2026 –
Afternoon Sitting)***

(Division)

Order deferred.

11. **THE COUNTY ALLOCATION OF REVENUE BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 10 OF 2026)**

(The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Finance and Budget)

(Second Reading)

Order deferred.

12. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
THE STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS (AMENDMENT) BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
BILLS NO. 3 OF 2024)**

(The Senate Majority Leader)

Order deferred.

13. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
THE SEEDS AND PLANT VARIETIES (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO.
4 OF 2025)**

(Sen. Ledama Olekina, MP)

Order deferred.

14. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**
THE ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT DISPOSAL RECYCLING AND REUSE BILL
(SENATE BILLS NO. 5 OF 2025)
(Sen. Peris Tobiko, MP)

Order deferred.

15. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**
THE CULTURE BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILLS NO. 12 OF 2024)
(The Senate Majority Leader)

Order deferred.

16. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**
THE NUTS AND OIL CROPS DEVELOPMENT BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 47 OF 2023)
(Sen. Hamida Kibwana, MP)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Tuesday, 2nd June, 2026)
(Division)

Order deferred.

17. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**
THE HERITAGE AND MUSEUMS BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 8 OF 2023)
(The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Labour and Social Welfare)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Tuesday, 2nd June, 2026)
(Division)

Order deferred.

18. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**
THE STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 10 OF 2024)
(The Senate Majority Leader and the Senate Minority Leader)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Tuesday, 2nd June, 2026)
(Division)

Order deferred.

19. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**
THE ENVIRONMENT LAWS (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 23 OF 2024)
(Sen. Abdul Haji, MP)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Tuesday, 2nd June, 2026)
(Division)

Order deferred.

20. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**
THE SPORTS (AMENDMENT) (NO. 2) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 45 OF 2024)
(Sen. (Prof.) Tom Ojienda, MP and Sen. Raphael Chimera, MP)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Tuesday, 2nd June, 2026)
(Division)

Order deferred.

21. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**
THE PUBLIC AUDIT (AMENDMENT) BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILLS NO. 4 OF 2024)
(The Senate Majority Leader)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Tuesday, 2nd June, 2026)
(Division)

Order deferred.

22. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**
***THE COUNTY HALL OF FAME BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 18 OF 2023)**
(Sen. Miraj Abdillahi Abdulrahman, MP)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Tuesday, 2nd June, 2026)
(Division)

Order deferred.

23. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**
THE PUBLIC FUNDRAISING APPEALS BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 36 OF 2024)
(The Senate Majority Leader)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Tuesday, 2nd June, 2026)
(Division)

Order deferred.

24. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**
***THE COUNTY OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 3 OF 2024)**
(Sen. Ledama Olekina, MP and Sen. William Kisang, MP)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Tuesday, 2nd June, 2026)
(Division)

Order deferred.

25. **THE COMMUNITY HEALTH PROMOTERS BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 53 OF 2022)**

Order for Second Reading Read;

Motion made and Question proposed;

THAT, the Community Health Promoters Bill (National Assembly Bill No.53 of 2022), be now read a Second Time.

(Senate Majority Leader)

Debate arising;

There being no more Senators wishing to contribute;

And in the absence of the Mover;

The Temporary Speaker (Sen. Veronica Maina, MP) deferred the reply by the Mover to a later date.

26. **MOTION - CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON DELEGATED LEGISLATION ON ITS CONSIDERATION OF THE TRAFFIC (SCHOOL TRANSPORT) RULES, 2026 (LEGAL NOTICE NO. 11 OF 2026; THE TRAFFIC (MOTOR VEHICLE INSPECTION) RULES, 2026 (LEGAL NOTICE NO. 13 OF 2026); AND THE NATIONAL TRANSPORT AND SAFETY AUTHORITY (OPERATION OF COMMERCIAL VEHICLES) REGULATIONS, 2026 (LEGAL NOTICE NO. 14 OF 2026)**

Order read;

Motion made and Question proposed

THAT, the Senate adopts the Reports of the Select Committee on Delegated Legislation on its consideration of the -

- i)The Traffic (School Transport) Rules, 2026 (Legal Notice No. 11 of 2026;
- ii)The Traffic (Motor Vehicle Inspection) Rules, 2026 (Legal Notice No. 13 of 2026); and
- iii)The National Transport and Safety Authority (Operation of Commercial Vehicles) Regulations, 2026 (Legal Notice No. 14 of 2026);

laid on the Table of the Senate on Wednesday, 10th June, 2026; and that pursuant to Section 18 of the Statutory Instruments Act, the Senate resolves to annul the Traffic (School Transport) Rules, 2026 (Legal Notice No. 11 of 2026; the Traffic (Motor Vehicle Inspection) Rules, 2026 (Legal Notice No. 13 of 2026); and the National Transport and Safety Authority (Operation of Commercial Vehicles) Regulations, 2026 (Legal Notice No. 14 of 2026).

(Sen. Danson Mungatana, MP on behalf of the Chairperson Select Committee on Delegated Legislation)

Debate arising;

There being no more Senators wishing to contribute;

Mover replied;

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

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

27. **THE ASSISTED REPRODUCTIVE TECHNOLOGY BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILLS NO. 61 OF 2022)**

Order for Second Reading read;

Motion Made;

THAT, the Assisted Reproductive Technology Bill (National Assembly Bills No. 61 of 2022) be now Read a Second Time.

(Sen. Catherine Mumma, MP)

And the time being forty-five minutes past Six O'clock, the Temporary Speaker (Sen. Veronica Maina, MP) adjourned the Senate without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order 34 (2A).

28. **SENATE ROSE** – Forty-five minutes past Six O'clock.

M E M O R A N D U M

*The Speaker will take the Chair on
Tuesday, 16th June, 2026 at 2:30 pm*

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