



REPUBLIC OF KENYA
TWELFTH PARLIAMENT – (THIRD SESSION)
THE SENATE
ORDER PAPER
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2019 AT 2.30 P.M.

PRAYERS

1. Administration of Oath
2. Communication from the Chair
3. Messages
4. Petitions
5. Papers
6. Notices of Motion
7. Statements (as listed in the Appendix)
8. ***THE CARE AND PROTECTION OF CHILD PARENTS BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 11 OF 2019)**
(Sen. Beatrice Kwamboka, MP)
(Second Reading)
9. **MOTION – ADOPTION OF REPORT OF SESSIONAL COMMITTEE ON COUNTY PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND INVESTMENTS ON ACCOUNTS OF COUNTY GOVERNMENTS FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2014/2015**
(Chairperson, Sessional Committee on County Public Accounts and Investments)

THAT, the Senate adopts the Report of the Sessional Committee on County Public Accounts and Investments on the Inquiry into the Financial Operations of Baringo, Busia, Elgeyo Marakwet, Embu, Kajiado, Kericho, Kilifi, Kirinyaga, Kisii, Kwale, Lamu, Makueni, Marsabit, Meru, Nakuru, Narok, Nyamira, Uasin Gishu, Vihiga and West Pokot Counties for Financial year 2014/2015 (1st July, 2014 to 30th June, 2015), laid on the Table of the Senate on Wednesday, 9th October, 2019.
10. ***THE KENYAN SIGN LANGUAGE BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 15 OF 2019)**
(Sen. (Dr.) Getrude Musuruve, MP and Sen. (Prof.) Margaret Kamar, MP)

(Second Reading)

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- 11. ***THE REGISTRATION OF PERSONS (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 14 OF 2019)**
(Sen. (Dr.) Isaac Mwaura, MP)
(Second Reading)
- 12. ***THE COUNTY LICENSING (UNIFORM PROCEDURE) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 17 OF 2019)**
(Sen. Mercy Chebeni, MP)
(Second Reading)
- 13. ***THE ELECTIONS (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 18 OF 2019)**
(Sen. Ephraim Maina, MP)
(Second Reading)
- 14. ***THE ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 19 OF 2019)**
(Sen. (Arch.) Sylvia Kasanga, MP)
(Second Reading)
- 15. **MOTION - ENGAGEMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS BY COUNTY GOVERNMENTS**
(Sen. Rose Nyamunga, MP)

THAT, AWARE THAT county health facilities, and the promotion of primary health care are devolved functions, and each county government is striving to offer the best healthcare to the people of Kenya;

COGNIZANT THAT, the provision of healthcare services is continuously riddled with numerous challenges ranging from understaffing of personnel to inadequate facilities and equipment resulting in congestion in hospitals further restricting effective service delivery;

NOTING THAT every Kenyan has a right to affordable and accessible healthcare, and the President has launched a pilot universal health care program called “Afya Care” that will see many Kenyans access improved healthcare;

CONCERNED THAT, the diverse nature of counties and wanting infrastructural development is compromising the quality and accessibility of health centres especially during emergency situations, resulting in the loss of many lives occasioned by the failure by patients to reach health facilities in time;

FURTHER CONCERNED THAT, in each county there are numerous unemployed community health workers who are adept at working with communities in emergency situations, and have the requisite experience to support the medical practitioners in our country where, according to the World Health Organization 2014 report, there are two (2) doctors for every ten thousand (10,000) people;

NOW THEREFORE, the Senate resolves that the Council of Governors in partnership with the Ministry of Health –

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- (i) Develop a policy for the training, certification and employment of community health workers to enhance the emergency health service delivery in the Counties, and
- (ii) Facilitate the said community health workers with the necessary basic equipment for use during emergency cases.

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Thursday, 17th October, 2019)
(Balance of time – 2 hours 18 minutes)

16. **MOTION - FREE ADMINISTRATION OF THE SNAKE BITES ANTI-VENOM IN PUBLIC HEALTH FACILITIES**

(Sen. Beatrice Kwamboka, MP)

THAT, AWARE THAT, there is an abundance of snakes in various parts of the country namely; Kitui, Baringo, Wajir, Kajiado, Embu and Tana River Counties among others, which poses a high mortality rate of snake bites across these counties;

FURTHER AWARE THAT, all patients bitten by snakes should be assessed by medically-trained staff to determine the species responsible, the amount of venom injected and the variable time course for development of signs, requiring that patients be kept under observation for at least 24 hours;

CONCERNED THAT, these incidences of snake bites are a neglected emergency in Kenya owing to the low awareness of snake bites as a public health problem in the country resulting to victims being maimed and even losing lives;

FURTHER CONCERNED THAT, poor infrastructure and poverty contribute to delays in seeking and receiving treatment for snake bites including the high cost of acquiring and storing the anti-venom;

RECOGNIZING THAT, it is essential for snakebite victims to get supportive care followed by the administration of the anti-venom as soon as possible following a snake bite;

NOTING THAT, Article 43 (1) (a) of the Constitution provides that every person has the right to the highest attainable standard of health;

NOW THEREFORE, the Senate urges the Ministry of Health in collaboration with the County governments to establish programs to sensitize people on the management of snake bites and to ensure timely supply and free administration of the anti-venom in public health facilities, concentrating on sub county health facilities in the affected counties, and further ensure that these facilities are equipped with the necessary infrastructure for the storage of the anti-venom.

NOTICE

The Senate resolved on 13th February, 2019 as follows:-

THAT, pursuant to Standing Order 106 (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.

KEY

******-** Denotes a Majority /Minority Party Bill

*****-** Denotes a National Assembly Bill

****-** Denotes a Committee Bill

*****- Denotes any other Bill

APPENDIX

STATEMENTS

(i) Pursuant to Standing Order 47(1)

The Senator for Kakamega County (Sen. Cleophas Malalah, MP) to make a statement congratulating Sen. Naomi Masitsa Shiyonga, MP on being awarded the 2019 Global Empowerment Award for Global Legislature Governance.

(ii) Pursuant to Standing Order 48(1)

- a) The Senator for Isiolo County (Sen. Fatuma Dullo, MP) to seek a statement from the Standing Committee on Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries on the delay by the Kenya Meat Commission (KMC) in payment of livestock suppliers.
- b) The Senator for Lamu County (Sen. Anwar Loitiptip, MP) to seek a statement from the Standing Committee on Transport, Roads and Infrastructure on the delayed compensation of fishermen affected by the construction of Lamu Port, Lamu County.
- c) Nominated Senator (Sen. (Dr.) Isaac Mwaura, MP) to seek a statement from the Standing Committee on Education on the delayed disbursement of capitation funds for learners with special needs.