



PARLIAMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA

NATIONAL COUNCIL



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Wednesday, 11 November 2015

(09:30 - 13:00)

No 20 - 2015

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

1.0 The Chairperson took the Chair.

2.0 Hon. Vice-Chairperson recited the Prayer and Affirmation.

3.0 NOTICES OF MOTION(S)

Hon. Mensah-Williams gave notice: That on Thursday, November 12, 2015 she shall move that this august House discuss and adopt the amended Standing Rules and Orders of the National Council.

4.0 OTHER REPORTS AND PAPERS

Honourable Gaobaeb laid upon the Table the Report of Delegation of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts and Economy to the Association of East African Public Accounts Committees (EAAPAC) and Southern African Development Community Organisation of Public Accounts Committees Accountability Conference held in Lusaka, Zambia from 12 – 15 May 2014.

5.0 DEBATE ON SECOND READING

5.1 FIRST ORDER READ

Debate on Second Reading – *Income Tax Amendment Bill* [B.9 – 2015]

The Chairperson put the question: That the Bill be read a Second Time.

Agreed to.

The Secretary then read the Bill a Second Time.

The Bill stood referred to **Committee Stage**.

5.2 SECOND ORDER READ

Debate on Second Reading – *Value Added Tax Amendment Bill* [B.10 – 2015]

The Chairperson put the question: That the Bill be read a Second Time.

Agreed to.

The Secretary then read the Bill a Second Time.

The Bill stood referred to **Committee Stage**.

5.3 THIRD ORDER READ

Debate on Second Reading – *Regional Councils Amendment Bill* [B.11 – 2015]

On the motion of Hon. Sipapela, seconded by Hon. Kavara, the debate was adjourned until Thursday, November 12, 2015.

5.4 FOURTH ORDER READ

Debate on Second Reading – *Local Authorities Amendment Bill* [B.12 – 2015]

On the motion of Hon. Tobias, seconded by Hon. Katamelo, the debate was adjourned until Thursday, November 12, 2015.

5.5 FIFTH ORDER READ

Debate on Second Reading – *Public Procurement Bill* [B.8 – 2015]

The Chairperson put the question: That the Bill be read a Second Time.

Agreed to.

The Secretary then read the Bill a Second Time.

The Bill stood referred to **Committee Stage**.

6.0 DEBATE ON COMMITTEE STAGE

6.1 SIXTH ORDER READ

Debate on Committee Stage – *Deeds Registries Bill* [B.13 – 2015]

The Chairperson put the question: That he leaves the Chair.

Agreed to.

The Chairperson then called upon the Vice-Chairperson of the National Council and the Chairperson of the Committee of the Whole Council to take the Chair.

The Vice-Chairperson then took the Chair.

Council in Committee:

Clauses **1** to **95** were put and agreed to.

The **Schedule** was put and agreed to.

Clause **96**, the **Short Title**, was put and agreed to.

Council resumed:

The Vice-Chairperson of the National Council and the Chairperson of the Committee of the Whole Council reported the Bill **without amendments**.

The Bill stood referred to **Third Reading**.

6.2 SEVENTH ORDER READ

Debate on Committee Stage – *Judiciary Bill* [B.14 – 2015]

The Chairperson put the question: That he leaves the Chair.

Agreed to.

The Chairperson then called upon the Vice-Chairperson of the National Council and the Chairperson of the Committee of the Whole Council to take the Chair.

The Vice-Chairperson then took the Chair.

Council in Committee:

Clauses **1** to **18** were put and agreed to.

Clause **19**, the **Short Title**, was put and agreed to.

Council resumed:

The Vice-Chairperson of the National Council and the Chairperson of the Committee of the Whole Council reported the Bill **without amendments**.

The Bill stood referred to **Third Reading**.

6.3 EIGHTH ORDER READ

Debate on Committee Stage – *Civil Aviation Bill* [B.1 – 2015]

The Chairperson put the question: That he leaves the Chair.

Agreed to.

The Chairperson then called upon the Vice-Chairperson of the National Council and the Chairperson of the Committee of the Whole Council to take the Chair.

The Vice-Chairperson then took the Chair.

Council in Committee:

Clauses **1** to **236** were put and agreed to.

The **Schedules 1 – 7** were put and agreed to.

Clause **237**, the **Short Title**, was put and agreed to.

Council resumed:

The Vice-Chairperson of the National Council and the Chairperson of the Committee of the Whole Council reported the Bill **with amendments**.

The Bill stood referred to **Third Reading**.

7.0 INTRODUCTION AND MOTIVATION OF REPORT(S)

7.1 NINTH ORDER READ

Hon. Mensah-Williams moved, seconded by Hon. Nicanor, The Report of the delegation to the Tenth Meeting of Women Speakers of Parliaments held at the UN-Headquarters in New York, USA from 29 – 30 August 2015.

The Chairperson put the question: That the Report be adopted.

Agreed to.

The Report was unanimously adopted.

Council suspended business at 10:35 and resumed at 11:05.

7.2 TENTH ORDER READ

Hon. Mensah-Williams moved, seconded by Hon. Nicanor, *the Report of the Parliamentary delegation to the 133rd Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) Assembly and related meetings held in Geneva, Switzerland from 17 – 21 October 2015*

The Chairperson put the question: That the Report be adopted.

Agreed to.

The Report was unanimously adopted.

7.3 ELEVENTH ORDER READ

Hon. Shilenga moved, seconded by Hon Martin, *the Report of the Security, Constitutional and Legal Affairs Committee on its visit to the Army Military Bases in //Karas, Khomas, Erongo, Otjozondjupa, Kavango East, Zambezi, Kunene, Oshana and Oshikoto Regions from 27th July 2015 – 15th August 2015.*

The Chairperson put the question: That the Report be adopted.

Agreed to.

The Report was unanimously adopted.

7.4 TWELFTH ORDER READ

Hon. Gaobaeb moved, seconded by Hon. Nakwafila, *the Report of the National Council Standing Committee on Public Accounts and Economy on the review of Reports of the Auditor-General on Local Authorities for the financial year ending 30 June 2011.*

The Chairperson put the question: That the Report be adopted.

Agreed to.

The Report was unanimously adopted.

7.5 THIRTEENTH ORDER READ

Hon. Gaobaeb moved, seconded by Hon. Namwandi, *the Report of the National Council Standing Committee on Public Accounts and Economy on the 5th Westminster Workshop on Effective, Independent & Transparent Public Accounts Committees for Robust Public Financial Oversight in Valletta – Malta from 01 – 04 June 2015.*

The Chairperson put the question: That the Report be adopted.

Agreed to.

The Report was unanimously adopted.

7.6 FOURTEENTH ORDER READ

Hon. Gaobaeb moved, seconded by Hon. Nakwafila, *the Report of the National Council Standing Committee on Public Accounts and Economy on Regional Councils and Local Authorities for various financial years ending 31 March 2010 for Regional Councils and 30 June 2010 for Local Authorities.*

The Chairperson put the question: That the Report be adopted.

Agreed to.

The Report was unanimously adopted.

7.7 FIFTEENTH ORDER READ

Hon. Gaobaeb moved, seconded by Hon. Sipapela, *the Report of the National Council Standing Committee on Public Accounts and Economy on Regional Councils and Local Authorities for various financial years ending 31 March 2010 for Regional Councils and 30 June 2010 for Local Authorities.*

The Chairperson put the question: That the Report be adopted.

Agreed to.

The Report was unanimously adopted.

7.8 SIXTEENTH ORDER READ

Hon. Mensah-Williams moved, seconded by Hon. Kandjii, *the Report of the National Council Women Caucus on the Third Rural Women Parliament with Male as Partners held in the National Council Chamber from 22 – 24 June 2015.*

The Chairperson put the question: That the Report be adopted.

Agreed to.

The Report was unanimously adopted.

7.9 SEVENTEENTH ORDER READ

Hon. Tobias moved, seconded by Hon. Nicanor, *to introduce the Bill to provide for the establishment of the Constituency Development Fund; Establishment of the Constituency Development Fund Board; to provide for Functions of Constituency Development Fund Board; Procedure at meetings of Constituency Development Fund Board, Conduct of business and affairs of the Board; Allocation of funds and incidental matters.*

The Chairperson put the question: That the Bill be adopted.

Agreed to.

The Bill was unanimously adopted.

- 7.10 Hon. Tobias moved, seconded by Hon. Nakwafila, *a Bill to amend the Regional Councils Act 22 of 1992 so as provide for the establishment of Constituency Development Committees; Regional Development Coordination Committees; to provide for powers and functions of Constituency Development Committees and Regional Development Coordination Committees and to provide for incidental matters.*

The Chairperson put the question: That the Bill be adopted.

Agreed to.

The Bill was unanimously adopted.

- 8.0 On the motion of Hon. Sibatani, seconded by Hon. Nicanor, the Council was adjourned at 13:10 until Thursday, November 12, 2015.

Emilia Mkusa
Secretary of the National Council
