# THIRD SESSION, SEVENTH PARLIAMENT

# REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

### **THURSDAY, 18 FEBRUARY 2021**

The Assembly met pursuant to the adjournment.

1. The Deputy Speaker took the Chair and read the Prayer and Affirmation.

# 2. **NOTICE OF A QUESTION:**

Mr. Murorua (UDF) to ask the Minister of Environment, Forestry and Tourism (No. 24).

### 3. **ORAL QUESTIONS:**

- (i) Mr. Venaani (PDM) asked the Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security (No. 1) *Replied to*.
- (ii) Mr. Kavekotora (RDP) asked the Minister of Health and Social Services (No. 2) *Replied to*.

# 4. **ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on the status quo of Air Namibia.

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 17 February 2021, as moved by Mr. Venaani (page 3).

Question put: That the Motion be taken note-off.

Agreed to.

### 5. FIRST NOTICE OF A MOTION:

The Minister of Justice moved, seconded by Mr. Amutse:

That leave be given to amend the Magistrates' Courts Act, 1994, so as to increase the jurisdiction of magistrates' courts; to impose restrictions on the sale in execution of immovable property; and to deal with incidental matters.

Agreed to.

*Magistrates' Court Amendment Bill* [B. 3 – 2021] read a First Time.

The Minister of Justice moved, subject to Rule 32(a) of the Standing Rules and Orders, seconded by Mr. Hambyuka: That the Bill be read a Second Time.

On the motion of Mr. Shihumbu, seconded by Mr. Martin, debate adjourned until Tuesday, 9 March 2021.

#### 6. SECOND NOTICE OF A MOTION:

The Minister of Justice moved, seconded by the Minister of Defence:

That leave be given to amend the High Court Act, 1990, so as to impose restrictions on the sale in execution of immovable property; to empower the Judge-President to make rules regulating the procedure for cession of rights to bring matters before the court by certain litigants; to make rules regulating the procedure for the adjudication of commercial disputes; to make rules relating to the appointment, administration, security, jurisdiction and the fees of deputy-sheriffs and assistants to deputy-sheriffs; to make rules relating to the conduct and disciplinary procedures of deputy-sheriffs; and to deal with incidental matters.

Agreed to.

*High Court Amendment Bill* [B. 2 – 2021] read a First Time.

The Minister of Justice moved, subject to Rule 32(a) of the Standing Rules and Orders, seconded by the Minister of Fisheries and Marine Resources: That the Bill be read a Second Time.

On the motion of Mr. Shihumbu, seconded by Mr. Smit, debate adjourned until Tuesday, 9 March 2021.

# 7. THIRD NOTICE OF A MOTION:

Mr. Smit moved, seconded by Mr. Van Wyk:

That in the light of what must be considered a national disaster, considering the fact that under the previous curriculum (NSSCO/H) between 25 000 and 28 000 learners had a chance to obtain a tertiary qualification, whereas now a mere 7 000 learners out of a total of some 21 000 have the chance to return to the classroom, this House should urgently discuss the way forward for our children and in particular what is to become of the 20 000 odd who may not wish to or cannot afford to pursue their training at a VTC.

That this Motion be referred to the relevant Parliamentary Standing Committee for further scrutiny and report back

8. In terms of Rule 99(a) of the Standing Rules and Orders, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 17:45 until Tuesday, 23 February 2021.

**MS. L. KANDETU**Secretary of the National Assembly

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