

Thursday, 17 March 2022

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FIFTH SESSION, SEVENTH PARLIAMENT

REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

THURSDAY, 17 MARCH 2022

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. Kavekotora (RDP) to ask the Minister of Mines and Energy (No. 48).

3. **QUESTIONS DEALTH WITH:**

- (i) Ms. Dienda (PDM) asked the Minister of Finance (No. 16) *Replied to*.
- (ii) Mr. Vries (PDM) asked the Minister of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform (No. 17) *Stands over*.
- (iii) Mr. Smit (PDM) asked the Minister of Finance (No. 18) Replied to.
- (iv) Mr. Smit (PDM) asked the Minister of Education, Arts and Culture (No. 19) *Replied to*.

4. **NOTICE OF A MOTION:**

The Minister of Finance moved, seconded by the Minister of Environment, Forestry and Tourism:

That leave be given to amend the Public Procurement Act, 2015, so as to insert certain definitions and substitute certain definitions; to provide for the appointment of the Chairperson and the chief executive officer of the Central Procurement Board of Namibia; to clarify certain methods of procurement; to provide for joint procurement of goods and services; to provide for the application for reconsideration of the decisions of the Board or public entities; and to provide for incidental matters.

Agreed to.

Public Procurement Amendment Bill [B. 4 – 2022] read a First Time.

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

On the motion of the Deputy Minister of Works and Transport, seconded by Ms. Elago, debate adjourned until Wednesday, 23 March 2022.

5. **FIRST ORDER** deferred to Thursday, 7 April 2022

6. **SECOND ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on the establishment of an association for the informal sector in Namibia.

Question before the Assembly on Thursday, 10 March 2022, as moved by Mr. Martin (page 19).

Question put: That the Motion be referred to a relevant parliamentary Standing Committee for further scrutiny and report back to this Assembly.

Objection.

House divided.

Due to an absence of 49 Members entitled to vote, the voting is deferred to such a date and time that a quorum would be present.

7. THIRD ORDER READ:

Resumption of Debate on the conditions of Local Authorities and why many of them fail to execute their mandates.

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 16 March 2022, as moved by Mr. Kauandenge (page 28): That the Motion be adopted.

8. In terms of Rule 99(a) of the Standing Rules and Orders, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 17:48 until Wednesday, 23 March 2022.

MS. L. KANDETUSecretary of the National Assembly

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