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**REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

TUESDAY, 5 APRIL 2022

The Assembly met pursuant to the adjournment.

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

2. **Ms. Witbooi laid upon the Table for discussion:**

Report on the visits to Development Projects of the Ministry of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security and the Ministry of Defence and Veterans Affairs by the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Security, in Oshikoto, Oshana and Kunene Regions from 31 May to 4 June 2021.

3. **The Minister of Finance laid upon the Table:**

Reports of the Auditor-General on the Accounts of the –

- (i) Municipality of Walvis Bay for the financial year ended 30 June 2020;
- (ii) Municipality of Otjiwarongo for the financial year ended 30 June 2020;
- (iii) Regional Council for Khomas Region for the financial year ended 31 March 2020;
- (iv) Motor Vehicle Accident Fund for the financial year ended 31 March 2021; and
- (v) National Road Safety Council for the financial year ended 31 March 2021.

4. **URGENT QUESTION:**

Mr. Van Wyk (PDM) asked the Deputy Minister of Education, Arts and Culture (No. 29) – *Should be put in writing.*

5. **FIRST ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – *Appropriation Bill* [B. 3 – 2022].

Question before the Assembly on Thursday, 31 March 2022, as moved by the Minister of Finance (page 21).

Question put: That the Bill be read a Second Time.

Agreed to.

Appropriation Bill [B. 3 – 2022] read a Second Time.

6. **SECOND ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Committee Stage – *Public Procurement Amendment Bill* [B. 4 – 2022].

The Deputy Minister of Finance moved, seconded by Ms. Elago: That the Assembly now goes into Committee.

Agreed to.

ASSEMBLY IN COMMITTEE:

Clause 1 put.

Clause 1 as amended by the Deputy Minister, put and agreed to.

Clauses 2 – 10 put and agreed to.

Clause 11 put.

Clause 11 as amended by the Deputy Minister, put and agreed to.

Clause 12 put and agreed to.

Clause 13 put.

Clause 13 as amended by the Deputy Minister, put and agreed to.

Clauses 14 – 23 put and agreed to.

Clause 24 put.

Clause 24 as amended by the Deputy Minister, put and agreed to.

Clauses 25 – 28 put and agreed to.

Clause 29 put.

Clause 29 as amended by the Deputy Minister, put and agreed to.

Clauses 30 – 32 put and agreed to.

Title put and agreed to.

ASSEMBLY RESUMED:

Bill reported with amendment.

The Deputy Minister of Finance moved, seconded by Mr. Karondo: That the Bill be read a Third Time.

Agreed to.

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

7. **THIRD ORDER READ:**

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

Question before the Assembly on Thursday, 17 March 2022, as moved by Mr. Martin (page 19): That the Motion be referred to a relevant parliamentary Standing Committee for further scrutiny and report back to this Assembly.

The Speaker reported that when the Assembly adjourned on Thursday, 17 March 2022, Honourable Martin had replied and had requested that his Motion be referred to a relevant Parliamentary Standing Committee for further scrutiny and report back to this Assembly, but the Minister of Labour, Industrial Relations and Employment Creation objected to it, resulting in the House being divided but there was no quorum for a decision to be made.

Objection still sustained.

Motion rejected.

8. **FOURTH ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – *Combating of Rape Amendment Bill* [B. 2 – 2022].

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 23 March 2022, as moved by the Minister of Justice (page 15): That the Bill be read a Second Time.

On the motion of Ms. !Aebes, seconded by Ms. Becker, debate adjourned until Thursday, 7 April 2022.

9. **FIFTH ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – *Combating of Domestic Violence Amendment Bill* [B. 1 – 2022].

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 23 March 2022, as moved by the Minister of Justice (page 18): That the Bill be read a Second Time.

On the motion of the Minister of Fisheries and Marine Resources, on behalf of his Deputy Minister, seconded by Mr. Amutse, debate adjourned until Tuesday, 12 April 2022.

10. **SIXTH ORDER READ:**

Consideration of Report of the Standing Committee on the *Access to Information Bill*.

Ms. Elago moved, seconded by the Minister of Defence and Veterans Affairs: That the Committee Report be considered.

Agreed to.

Question put: That the Committee Report be adopted.

Agreed.

11. **SEVENTH ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on the challenges experienced by the Public Transport Industry during the periods of state of emergencies in the country.

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 23 March 2022, as moved by Mr. Van Wyk (page 7).

Question put: That the Motion be referred to a Parliamentary Standing Committee for further scrutiny and report back.

Agreed to.

12. **EIGHTH ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate to redress poverty in the Kavango, Kunene, Zambezi and Ohangwena regions.

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 23 March 2022, as moved by Mr. Tjeundo (page 11): That the Motion be referred to a Parliamentary Standing Committee for further scrutiny and report back to this Assembly.

13. In terms of Rule 99(a) of the Standing Rules and Orders, the Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 17:46 until Wednesday, 6 April 2022.

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Secretary of the National Assembly

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