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SEVENTH SESSION, SEVENTH PARLIAMENT

REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

MONDAY, 26 JUNE 2023

The Assembly met pursuant to the adjournment.

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

2. The Speaker presented and laid upon the Table in terms of Rule 96(a) of the Standing Rules and Orders –

A Petition by Dr. Job Amupanda, received on 23 June 2023.

In the Petition, Dr. Amupanda raised his concern that the National Assembly procedures are hastened and deliberations are being or are to be condensed in passing the thirteen (13) Bills, that wider consultation is needed and that these Bills must be subjected to a normal process in terms of the relevant provisions of the Standing Rules and Orders.

The Speaker said this Petition is going to be submitted to the Standing Committee dealing with Petitions, to draw up rules governing the treatment of requests and complaints and shall use them as the basis for its decisions in each case.

3. **ORAL URGENT QUESTIONS:**

- (i) Hon. Seibeb (LPM) asked the Minister of Health and Social Services (No. 23) - *Replied to*.
- (ii) Hon. Swartbooi (LPM) asked the Minister of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform (No. 24) – *Replied to*.

4. **NOTICE OF A QUESTION:**

Hon. Seibeb (LPM) to ask the Minister of Urban and Rural Development (No. 106).

5. Hon. Hambyuka moved without notice in terms of Rule 27(d) of the Standing Rules and Orders:

That the proceedings on the First Notice of a Motion, First, Second, Third, Fourth Fifth, Sixth and Seventh Order of the Day on the Order Paper be, in accordance with Rule 99 of the Standing Rules and Orders, not interrupted if still under consideration at 17:45.

Agreed to.

6. **FIRST NOTICE OF A MOTION:**

The Minister of Finance and Public Enterprises moved, seconded by Hon. Kafula:

That leave be given to introduce a Bill to consolidate and amend the laws relating to banking institutions, microfinance banking institutions and controlling companies; to provide for the authorisation of a person to conduct business as a banking institution or microfinance banking institution; to provide for the registration of controlling companies in respect of authorised banking institutions or microfinance banking institutions; to authorise foreign banking institutions to open branches in Namibia; to provide for regulation of the ownership and shareholding of banking institutions, microfinance banking institutions and controlling companies; to provide for the control, supervision and regulation of banking institutions, microfinance banking institutions and controlling companies; to provide for consolidated supervision of banking institutions, microfinance banking institutions and controlling companies; to protect the interests of persons making deposits with banking institutions and microfinance banking institutions; to provide for the resolution of failing institutions and winding-up, judicial management and cancellation of authorisations; to prohibit and criminalise illegal financial schemes; to establish an Appeal Board to hear and determine appeals against certain decisions of the Bank; to repeal the Banking Institutions Act, 1998; and to provide for incidental matters.

Agreed to.

Banking Institutions Bill [B.15 – 2023] read a First Time.

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

On the motion of Hon. Swartbooi, seconded by Hon. Isaaks, debate adjourned until Tuesday, 27 June 2023.

7. **FIRST ORDER READ:**

Committee Stage – Financial Intelligence Amendment Bill [B. 2 – 2023].

The Minister of Finance and Public Enterprises moved, seconded by the Deputy Minister of Works and Transport: That the Assembly now goes into Committee.

Agreed to.

ASSEMBLY IN COMMITTEE:

Clauses 1 - 45 put and agreed to. Schedule 5 put and agreed to. Schedule 6 put and agreed to. Title put and agreed to.

ASSEMBLY RESUMED:

Bill reported without amendments.

The Minister of Finance and Public Enterprises moved, seconded by Hon. Kooper; That the Bill be read a Third Time.

Agreed to.

Financial Intelligence Amendment Bill [B. 2 – 2023] read a Third Time.

8. SECOND ORDER READ:

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – Police Amendment Bill [B.5 – 2023].

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 21 June 2023, as moved by the Deputy Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security (page 115).

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

Agreed to.

Police Amendment Bill [B.5 – 2023] read a Second Time.

9. **THIRD ORDER READ**:

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – Prevention of Organised Crime Amendment Bill [B. 11 – 2023].

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 21 June 2023, as moved by the Minister of Justice (page 116): That the Bill be read a Second Time.

On the motion of Hon. Hengari, seconded by Hon. Dienda, debate adjourned until Tuesday, 27 June 2023.

10. FOURTH ORDER READ:

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – Extradition Amendment Bill [B.8 – 2023].

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 21 June 2023, as moved by the Minister of Justice (page 116).

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

Agreed to.

Extradition Amendment Bill [B.8 – 2023] read a Second Time.

11. FIFTH ORDER READ:

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – International Co-operation in Criminal Matters Amendment Bill [B.7 – 2023].

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 21 June 2023, as moved by the Minister of Justice (page 117).

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

Agreed to.

International Co-operation in Criminal Matters Amendment Bill [B.7 – 2023] read a second Time.

12. SIXTH ORDER READ:

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – *Livestock and Livestock Products Amendment Bill* [B.4 – 2023].

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 21 June 2023, as moved by the Minister of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform (page 118): That the Bill be read a Second Time.

The Minister replied but due to the absence of 49 voting Members, *Bill* to be read the Second Time when quorum is present.

13. In terms of Rule 99(a) of the Standing Rules and Orders, the Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 19:07 until Tuesday, 27 June 2023.

MS. L. KANDETU Secretary of the National Assembly

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