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EIGHTH SESSION, SEVENTH PARLIAMENT

REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

TUESDAY, 21 NOVEMBER 2023

The Assembly met pursuant to the adjournment.

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

2. NOTICES OF QUESTIONS:

- (i) Hon. Smit (PDM) to ask the Prime Minister (No. 237).
- (ii) Hon. lipumbu (NEFF) to ask the Minister of Mines and Energy (No. 238).

3. FIRST ORDER READ:

Committee Stage – Appropriation Amendment Bill [B. 21 – 2023].

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

Agreed to.

ASSEMBLY IN COMMITTEE:

Clauses 1 put and agreed to. Clauses 2 put and agreed to. Schedule put and agreed to. Title put and agreed to.

ASSEMBLY RESUMED:

Bill reported without amendment.

The Deputy Minister of Finance and Public Enterprises moved, seconded by the Minister in the Presidency: That the Bill be read a Third Time.

Agreed to.

Appropriation Amendment Bill [B. 21 – 2023] read a Third Time.

4. **SECOND ORDER READ:**

Committee Stage – Magistrate Court Amendment Bill [B. 17 – 2023].

The Minister of Justice moved, seconded by Hon. Tweya: That the Assembly now goes into Committee.

Agreed to.

ASSEMBLY IN COMMITTEE:

Clauses 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 put and agreed to. Title put and agreed to.

ASSEMBLY RESUMED:

Bill reported without amendment.

The Minister of Justice moved, seconded by the Minister of Fisheries and Marine Resources: That the Bill be read a Third Time.

Agreed to.

Magistrate Court Amendment Bill [B. 17 – 2023] read a Third Time.

5. THIRD ORDER READ:

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – *High Court Amendment Bill* [B. 18 – 2023].

Question before the Assembly on Thursday, 16 November 2023, as moved by the Minister of Justice (page 205).

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

Agreed to.

High Court Amendment Bill [B. 18 – 2023] read a Second Time.

6. **FOURTH ORDER** deferred by the Minister of Gender Equality, Poverty Eradication and Social Welfare on behalf of the Deputy Minister of Disability Affairs to Thursday, 23 November 2023.

7. **FIFTH ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on democracy's success and relevance for Namibia aimed to critically assess whether it has effectively served Namibia's interests.

Question before the Assembly on Monday, 20 November 2023, as moved by Hon. Mukwiilongo (page 174).

Question put: That the Motion be adopted.

Agreed to.

8. SIXTH ORDER READ:

Resumption of Debate on the possibility that Namibia Student Financial Assistance Fund incentivize loan beneficiaries with the aim to stimulate entrepreneurship and job creation.

Question before the Assembly on Monday, 20 November 2023, as moved by the deputy Minister of Works and Transport (page 178): That the Motion be adopted.

On the motion of Hon. Dienda on behalf of Hon. Katjimune, seconded by Hon. Moongo, debate adjourned until Wednesday, 22 November 2023.

9. SEVENTH ORDER READ:

Resumption of Debate on food security situation in Namibia, its impact on the livelihoods of Namibians and to seek urgent interventions.

Question before the Assembly on Monday, 20 November 2023, as moved by Hon. Vries (page 178).

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

Agreed to.

10. **EIGHTH ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on the renaming of the Buitepos Border Post to Mr. Ludwig Kanduketu Stanley Border Post.

Question before the Assembly on Monday, 20 November 2023, as moved by Hon. McHenry Venaani (page 189): That the Motion be referred to a relevant Parliamentary Standing Committee for further scrutiny and report back to this Assembly.

On the motion of the Minister of Higher Education, Technology and Innovation, seconded by Hon. Dingara, debate adjourned until Wednesday, 22 November 2023.

11. NINTH ORDER READ:

Resumption of Debate on the erection of an ever lighting shrine in Vaalgras where Kaptein Hendrik Witbooi made his ultimate sacrifice, which would serve as a perpetual beacon for Namibians.

Question before the Assembly on Monday, 20 November 2023, as moved by Hon. McHenry Venaani (page 201): That the Motion be referred to a relevant Parliamentary Standing Committee for further scrutiny and report back to this Assembly.

On the motion of Hon. Dr. Aupindi, seconded by Hon. Karondo, debate adjourned until Wednesday, 22 November 2023.

12. **TENTH ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on how climate change can lead to food and water scarcity and mitigation measures that can be taken to alleviate the plight of our poor.

Question before the Assembly on Monday, 20 November 2023, as moved by Hon. Dr. Iijambo (page 198).

Question put: That the Motion be adopted.

Agreed to.

13. ELEVENTH ORDER READ:

Resumption of Debate on the provision of massive sanitation services to urban and rural areas.

Question before the Assembly on Tuesday, 10 October 2023, as moved by Hon. McHenry Venaani (page 205): That the Motion be referred to a relevant Parliamentary Standing Committee for further scrutiny and report back to this Assembly.

On the motion of Hon. Ekandjo, seconded by Hon. Ithete, debate adjourned until Wednesday, 22 November 2023.

14. In terms of Rule 99(a) of the Standing Rules and Orders, the Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 17:47 until Wednesday, 22 November 2023.

MS. L. KANDETU Secretary of the National Assembly

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