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ORDER PAPER

OF THE

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

WEDNESDAY, 14 FEBRUARY 2024
(14:30 – 17:45)

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

I. Minister of Urban and Rural Development:

That leave be given to introduce a Bill to establish a Regional and Constituency Development Fund so as to financially assist with the development projects in regions and local authority areas; to provide for annual appropriation to the Fund and to provide for its powers and functions; to provide for the allocation of funds to regional councils and local authorities to fund development projects approved by the Board; and to provide for incidental matters.

II. Hon. Dienda:

That this Assembly –

Discusses the comprehensive interventions to address the crisis of kids selling items on the streets in Namibia.

That due to the urgency of the matter, that this Motion be referred to a Select Committee.

THURSDAY, 15 FEBRUARY 2024

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

I. **Hon. Van Wyk:**

That this assembly –

Debates the current mushrooming of Tertiary Institutions in Namibia and the Accreditation of their courses/programs by the Namibia Qualifications Authority (NQA) in relation to the quality of Tertiary Education in Namibia.

That this Motion be referred to the relevant Parliamentary Standing Committee to propose recommendations to this august House after conducting diligent work on the subject matter.

II. **Hon. Van den Heever:**

That this Assembly –

Debates the accessibility and affordability of alcohol and drug rehabilitation centres in Namibia and consider the establishment of more State-owned alcohol and rehabilitation centres that offer affordable services to all Namibians.

That this Motion be referred to the relevant Parliamentary Standing Committee to propose recommendations to this august House after conducting diligent work on the subject matter.

TUESDAY, 20 FEBRUARY 2024

ORDER OF THE DAY

Consideration of Reports of the Electoral Commission of Namibia – [Hon. Deputy Speaker].

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

I. **Hon. Katjimune:**

That this Assembly –

Investigate the bottlenecks around Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) financing in Namibia in efforts to unleash greater access and economic potential for this crucial sector of our economy.

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

II. **Hon. Hamata:**

That this Assembly –

Discusses the disparity between private and public schools continues to widen, with the latter's performance deteriorating year in, year out. This unsettling trend has been majorly attributed to the fact that government opts for a ceiling policy and does not, amongst other things, avail adequate resources appropriate for public schools to also excel.

Factors such as lack of literature materials, teachers' poor motivation, lack of text books, and lack of interest, coupled with working in an uncondusive environment, are some of the major factors to which poor performance could be partly attributed.

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

III. Hon. Hamata:

That this Assembly –

Discusses the regulation of private schools and the role of non-government players in education, particularly private education providers at primary, secondary and vocational education-level continue to attract immense interest of legislators and educationalists from across the country.

In Namibia where private schools are playing a pivotal role in universalizing access to education, the debate on role and regulation of private sector has, as it should, intensified over the last few years. Leveraging upon the private sector to achieve specific educational goals cannot be underestimated.

Conversely, the experience so far has been that the regulations create entry and exit barriers in the provision of education by entrepreneurs, thereby reducing competition and keeping the cost of education high.

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

WEDNESDAY, 21 FEBRUARY 2024

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

I. Hon. Longinus Iipumbu:

That this Assembly –

Discusses the prevailing labour hire system in Namibia.

That the Assembly revisits and re-interrogate the 14th December 2009 Supreme Court of Namibia decision to strike down a two-year-old government law that banned labour hire agencies and consider amending the labour Act.

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

II. Hon. Hamata:

That this Assembly *discusses* the following –

Engaging the services of a professional collection agency is not always the best option when it comes to debt collection because in most cases the agency will take a portion of the amount

collected or levy a fee for their services. One of the effective debt collection measures is therefore, to offer easy payment options.

The Motion proposes the abolition of RedForce Debt Management in local authorities and urges an investigation into the true owners of the company. It advocates for councils/municipalities to manage their own collections, amid concerns that RedForce benefits certain individuals at the expense of the less privileged residents.

III. Hon. Hamata:

That this Assembly *discusses* the following –

Labour conditions and collective bargaining rights have worsened in Namibia in the last few years. Many workers have no choice but to take poor quality work, lacking security, decent pay and social protection.

Premised on the foregoing, this Motion seeks to implement a comprehensive monitoring system to track compliance with laws and regulations by companies operating in Namibia, ensuring swift consequences for those found violating these standards.

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