REPUBLIC OF KENYA

COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF LAIKIPIA

THE HANSARD

Thursday, 13th April 2023

The House met at the Assembly Chambers at 2.30 p.m.

[The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Anthony Theuri) in the Chair]

PRAYERS

QUORUM CALL

Deputy Speaker: Clerk, confirm whether we have quorum.

(Clerk confirmed lack of quorum)

Deputy Speaker: I order the bell to be rang for the next ten minutes

(Quorum bell rung for ten minutes)

Deputy Speaker: Confirm if we do have the quorum.

(Quorum bell rung for five minutes)

Hon. Simon Kanyutu: Mr. Speaker, we do have the quorum at the moment.

Deputy Speaker: Clerk, I have to confirm if we have achieved the quorum.

(Clerk confirmed achievement of quorum)

STATEMENTS

NOTICE PAPER

Hon. Parleto Lekopien: It is notified that the House Business Committee has approved the following tentative business to appear in the Order paper for Tuesday (Afternoon) April 18th, 2023.

1) **BILL -**The Laikipia County Finance Bill, 2023. (Second Reading).

It is notified that the House Business Committee has approved the following tentative business to appear in the Order paper for Wednesday (Morning) April 19th, 2023.

1) **STATEMENTS -** Response Statement No. 001/2023 to the Chairperson Education, Vocational training and ICT Committee (Hon. Daniel Mugweru) raised by the Member representing Mukogodo East Ward (Hon. Paul Leshuel) on 7th March, 2023 pertaining to Emergency fund vote of Kshs. 50 Million appropriated in the Financial Year 2022/2023.
2) **MOTION -**The County Government to establish urgent and appropriate measures in order to restore peace by Hon. Sammy Lekopien.

It is notified that the House Business Committee has approved the following tentative business to appear in the Order paper for Wednesday (Afternoon) April 19th, 2023.

1) **BILL -** The Laikipia County Finance Bill, 2023. (Committee of the Whole).

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2) **BILL -** The Laikipia County Finance Bill, 2023. (Third Reading).

It is notified that the House Business Committee has approved the following tentative business to appear in the Order paper for Thursday (Afternoon) April 20th, 2023.

1) **PAPER LAID -** The Report of the Budget and Appropriations Committee on the County Budget Review and Outlook Paper.
2) **PAPER LAID -** The Report of the Budget and Appropriations Committee on the County Debt Management Strategy Paper dated February 2023.
3) **PAPER LAID -** The Report of the Budget and Appropriations Committee on the Laikipia County Fiscal Strategy Paper (CFSP) 2023 dated February 2023.
4) **NOTICES OF MOTIONS -** The Report of the Budget and Appropriations Committee on the County Budget Review and Outlook Paper.
5) **NOTICES OF MOTIONS -** The Report of the Budget and Appropriations Committee on the County Debt Management Strategy Paper dated February 2023.
6) **NOTICES OF MOTIONS -** The Report of the Budget and Appropriations Committee on the Laikipia County Fiscal Strategy Paper (CFSP) 2023 dated February 2023.
7) **MOTION -** The Report of the Budget and Appropriations Committee on the County Budget Review and Outlook Paper.

MOTION

TRAINING OF BODABODA RIDERS IN THE COUNTY

Hon. Eunice Moile: Hon. Speaker, I beg to move the following motion;

THAT, Aware that Road traffic crashes, injuries and deaths involving motorcycles (*bodaboda*) are on the rise in the country and County and the numbers are bound to go higher if nothing is done;

NOTING that most of the operators within the County do not have driving licenses which is illegal according to the traffic Act 2009;

COGNIZANT that lack of training for the riders, failure to wear helmets and carrying excess passengers are the key contributors to the soaring numbers of accidents caused by *bodaboda* riders.

Deeply CONCERNED that if nothing is done, would lead to more casualties and deaths. This House URGES the County government to partner with relevant agencies and to mobilize riders through their Sacco's and undertake trainings on road safety measures to *bodaboda* riders and ensure that *bodaboda* riders acquire driving licence after completion of the required training.

Bwana Spika, naomba sana tuangalie mambo ya mafunzo ya hawa watu wa bodaboda, kwa sababu pikipiki zinaleta ajali nyingi sana nchini kote. Hata hapa kwa nchi na Kaunti yetu. Naomba sana tuchangie huu mswada kwa sababu tunaona ajali mingi zikitendeka. Hata tunapoenda hospitalini, tunapata watu wengi sana ambao wamepata ajali kupitia hizi pikipiki. Naomba tuchangie huu mswada, naomba pia Mheshimiwa Leila Hussein aweze kuunga mkono

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Hon. Leila Hussein: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I want to second this motion. I think it is a good motion because when we go to the hospitals, I believe most of the hospitals have wings that deal with *bodaboda* accidents only. It is of importance and it is vital that the motorcycle riders undergo training.

Every six months, they are recalled back for training. I honestly believe they are given *bodabodas* without proper training and licenses. I think we should also ensure as a County Government, they stick to the rules of wearing helmets and reflector jackets on. I second the motion gladly.

(Question proposed)

Deputy Speaker: Hon. Members, the floor is open for debate.

Hon. Simon Kanyutu: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I stand to support the motion by Hon. Eunice Moile. I am sure being a mother, I understand the challenges they undergo once these victims are touched by the accidents. I am much aware the concerns she has. I am happy because having brought the motion; it is one of the best important motion that need to be taken care of. Not only training these bodaboda people, we also need to see on how to get them to training on proper road usage.

Some of them misbehave even on the roads. Some already trained and have licenses they misbehave when riding on the roads. I support the idea and I think we also need to have an idea to make the bodaboda have sanity while utilizing the roads. I do not know if there is any place that we can ensure we take them for training so that they can have sanity. Sometimes they just ride carelessly. If there is any course that can be undertaken by them, I really support.

Hon. Salim Edung: Asante sana, Bwana spika. Kwa kunipa nafasi hii ili nichangie mjadala ambao umeletwa na Mheshimiwa Eunice Moile. Kuhusu mambo ya *bodaboda*. Hawa waendeshaji wa pikipiki, sio wote wamepata mafunzo. Utapata mwanafunzi wa kidato cha kwanza au kidato cha pili, anaendesha ile pikipiki na ilhali hajaenda katika shule ya mafunzo ilia apate leseni ya kuendesha pikipiki.

Ukiangalia sanasana katika hospitali yetu hapa Nanyuki, utapata ni watu wa *bodaboda* ndiyo wako wengi wameanguka kwa pikipiki au wamegongana na gari. Katika wiki tatu zilizopita, nilipitia ile barabara ambayo inaelekea sehemu ya Doldol, karibu na *Batuk*, kuna mwendeshaji wa pikipiki aliingia chini ya lori.

Hiyo ilionyesha kwamba, hata kama huyo mtu alikuwa amefunzwa katika mafunzo ya uendeshaji wa bodaboda, yeye hakuzingatia sheria za barabara. Ukifunzwa kuendesha gari ama pikipiki, ni lazima uangalie ninatoka upande na ninaelekea upande gani. Inamaanisha ya kwamba, hawa wenye uendeshaji wa bodaboda ni watu hawaangalii maslahi yao pia.

Mtu anachukua pikipiki haangalii hata barabara, hazingatii yale tunasema katika kimombo "*zebra crossing"* mradi yeye apite. Dakika ya mwisho anapata ajali. Huu mswada umeletwa kwenye Bunge hili, umeletwa kwa sababu ya nchi mzima na waendeshaji pikipiki. Wapate mafunzo na pia waelewe ya kwamba watapita barabara kwa upande mgani ndiyo ajali zipunguke kwenye barabara zetu.

Ukiangalia asilimia themanini kwa ajali katika barabara, imeletwa na hawa watu wa bodaboda. Wakijaribu kupita gari zingine, anaingia mahali tu yoyote kwa barabara. Huwa hawaangalii ya kwamba, hizi ishara za trafiki zimewekwa katika barabara zinaonyesha utaelekea upande mgani. Huu mswada, ninaomba Wajumbe wenzangu wazingatie na pia

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waunge mkono. Wachangie ndiyo ili huu Mswada, iwe ni sheria ambayo imewekwa kwenye nchi yetu. Ninaomba Bwana. Spika, nikomee hapo.

Deputy Speaker: Hon. Members, I now call upon the Mover, to give a reply.

Hon. Eunice Salaten: Asante Sana, Bwana Spika. Nashukuru sana kwa wale Wajumbe ambao wamechangia.

Deputy Speaker: Hon. Members, I defer putting the Motion on the question until the next day. According to Standing Orders (37) *"If, from the number of Members taking part in an electronic voting or roll call division, it appears that the Members do not themselves constitute a quorum, the vote or division shall be invalid and the business then under consideration shall stand over until the next sitting and the Speaker shall proceed as if his or her attention had been drawn to the absence of a quorum, but if after so proceeding a quorum is then present, the next business shall be entered upon".*

ADJOURNMENT

Deputy Speaker: The sittings of this House now stands adjourned until Tuesday, 18th April, 2023 at 2.30 p.m.

The House rose at 2:50 p.m.

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