REPUBLIC OF KENYA

COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF LAIKIPIA

THE HANSARD

Wednesday, 4th December, 2024

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

[The Speaker (Hon. Lantano Nabaala) in the Chair]

PRAYERS

QUORUM CALL

Speaker: Clerk confirm if we do have quorum.

(Lack of quorum confirmed)

Speaker: Without quorum, I direct that the bell ring for 10 minutes.

(Quorum bell was rung for five minutes)

Hon. Anthony Theuri: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and good afternoon. I just want to confirm that we now have quorum and I kindly ask you not to doubt me this time.

Speaker: Clerk, do confirm if we have got quorum.

(Clerk confirmed achievement of Quorum)

Speaker: Now that we have got quorum, we are going to move into the business of the day.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

WELCOMING THE MEMBERS OF NANYUKI BAR ASSOCIATION

Speaker: Hon. Members, I wish to recognize the presence of several members of the Nanyuki Bar Owners Association in the public gallery namely, Mary Karobia, Purity Kendi, Teresia Muthoni, Joseph Gachungi, Peter Omollo, John Mwangi, Ann Shiru, Lilian Mwena, Teresia Mwangi, Ruth Nai, Benson Kalama and Tabitha Murilla. You are welcomed as you follow the deliberations of today's business. You may be seated.

Hon. Members, on my behalf and that of the Assembly, I wish to welcome the members mentioned above to the County Assembly of Laikipia and wish them a fruitful engagement during their visit to the Assembly. Thank you, very much.

BILL

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE

(Order for the committee read)

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[The Speaker (Hon. Lantano Nabaala) left the Chair]

IN THE COMMITTEE

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

LAIKIPIA COUNTY ALCOHOLIC DRINKS CONTROL BILL, 2024

Chairperson: Good afternoon, Hon. Members. I welcome you to today's afternoon session. We will be considering the Laikipia County Alcoholic Drinks Control Bill, 2024. As usual, during the session of the Whole House, the rules are relaxed but we maintain order and discipline. The clerk will guide us on this.

Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Hon. Chair, I was requesting if we can be given a soft copy of what the clerk is reading so that we can go together.

Chairperson: Thank you, Hon. Stephen. Hon. Samuel.

Chairperson: Hon. Chair, I believe that we are in the 21st century and we have got the gadgets which have the original document. We don't put our hopes on hard copies but check on the document so that we can save time.

Chairperson: Does it mean that it is in soft copy in our gadgets? In that case Hon. Stephen, I will give you mine and on the same, I will also instruct the technical member today to guide you on the same. Hon. Stephen, stay guided. Are we guided?

Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Hon. Chair, you know that we are doing an amendment to the bill and that is why we are in the Whole House. I was therefore requesting if I can be given the document. I have got this one but…

Chairperson: That is the same as the one we are discussing today and since you have the copy…

Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: What about the amendments?

Chairperson: I think the amendments of the same, kindly follow the clerk of the day…

Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: No, let me be given one Hon. Chair because this is a sensitive business.

Chairperson: Hon. Stephen, for the interest of time…

Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Hon. Chair I am now satisfied that I have got the copy and a white one.

Chairperson: Not even a cup of coffee will do. Now switch off your microphone. I would wish to ask if there is nothing to interrupt us, kindly let us observe silence as the clerk guides us.

[Clauses without amendments]

Clause 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 12, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30,31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 38, 40, 41, 43, 45, 46, 47, 48, 50, 51, 52, 53, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74 and 76.

(Question proposed)

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(Question put and agreed to)

Clauses 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 12, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30,31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 38, 40, 41, 43, 45, 46, 47, 48, 50, 51, 52, 53, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74 and 76 agreed to.

[Schedules without amendments]

Schedule 4

(Question proposed)

(Question put and agreed to)

(Schedule 4 agreed to)

[Clauses with amendments]

Clause 8

(Question proposed)

Hon. Umija: Hon. Chair, I beg to move that PART II- ADMINISTRATION Page 13- Section 8- Ward Committee, that;

- Section 8(d) be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the word, one public health officer working within the ward.
- Section 8(g) be amended by deleting it and replacing it with the words "One representative nominated by the members of the registered association representing the owners of establishments dealing with alcoholic drinks within the County."
- Section 8(h) be amended by deleting it.
- S.8(3) be amended by deleting the words S.8(e) to (h) and replacing it with S.8(e) to (g)

(Question of the amendment proposed)

Chairperson: The floor is open Hon. Members and by reading the mood of the House, I call upon the mover to reply.

Hon. Catherine Umija: Thank you, Chair.

(Question of the amendment put and agreed to)

(Clause 8 as amended agreed to)

Clause 11

(Question proposed)

Hon. Catherine Umija: PAGE 17- S.11A. (2) (j) that this subsection be amended by deleting the word alcoholic after the word hotel.

(Question of the amendment proposed)

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(Question of the amendment put and agreed to)

(Clause 11A as amended agreed to)

Clause 13

(Question proposed)

Hon. Catherine Umija: PAGE 18 Section 13(1) (i) County Alcoholic Drinks Regulation Committee -be amended by deleting its contents and replacing them with the words "two representatives nominated by the members of the registered association representing the owners of establishments dealing with alcoholic drinks within the County."

(Question of the amendment proposed)

(Question of the amendment put and agreed to)

(Clause 13 (1) as amended agreed to)

Clause 14

(Question proposed)

Hon. Catherine Umija: I beg to move that;

- Clause 14 (2) Be amended by adding the words "One month before the expected lapse of the validity of the licenses," After the word appropriate. PAGE 20 S.14(3)(g) Sub-County Alcoholic Drinks Regulation Committee- Be amended by deleting it entirely and replacing it with the words "two representatives nominated by the members of the registered association representing the owners of establishments dealing with alcoholic drinks within the County".
- S.14(3) (h) be amended by deleting it entirely.
- S.14 (3) (I) be amended by deleting the words "and (h)".

(Question of the amendment proposed)

(Question of the amendment put and agreed to)

(Clause 14 as amended agreed to)

Clause 20

(Question proposed)

Hon. Catherine Umija: Thank you, Chair. I beg to move that Clause 20 be amended as follows;

- PAGE 26 Section 20(1) (c) license of premises for sale of alcoholic drinks- be amended by deleting the words" at least three hundred meters and replacing them with the words "within the zoning restrictions on distance as per the zoning regulations."

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- Section 20(1) (d) be amended by deleting the words "under the first schedule or its in accordance with the Regulations on zoning" and replacing them with the words "by the zoning regulations."
- Section 20(4) be amended by deleting the words "less than twenty square meters" and replacing them with the words "as per the prescribed size under the Zoning Regulations."

(Question of the amendment proposed)

(Question of the amendment put and agreed to)

(Clause 20 as amended agreed to)

Clause 21(2) (b)

(Question proposed)

Hon. Catherine Umija: Hon. Chair, I beg to move that Clause 21(2) (b) be amended as follows; PAGE 28 S.21 (2)(b) that it be amended by adding the words whose penalty is a fine of more than one hundred thousand Kenya shillings or a term of imprisonment exceeding 6 months or to both," between the word's offence and under.

(Question of the amendment proposed)

(Question of the amendment put and agreed to)

(Clause 21 (2) (b) as amended agreed to)

Clause 31 (4)

(Question proposed)

Hon. Catherine Umija: Hon. Chair, I beg to move that Clause 39 (4) be amended as follows; Section 39(4) -Display of signs- be amended by deleting the words "at least three hundred meters and replacing them with the words "within the zoning restrictions on distance as per the zoning regulations."

(Question of the amendment proposed)

(Question of the amendment put and agreed to)

(Clause 39 (4) as amended agreed to)

Clause 40 (4)

(Question proposed)

Hon. Catherine Umija: Hon. Chair, I beg to move that Clause 40 (4) be amended as follows; PAGE 38 S.44 sale to a driver of a vehicle be amended by deleting it in its entirety.

Chairperson: You can share the joke because the rules are relaxed.

Hon. Simon Kanyutu: It is okay because we are amending.

(Question of the amendment proposed)

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(Question of the amendment put and agreed to)

(Clause 40 (4) as amended agreed to)

Clause 49(b)

(Question proposed)

Hon. Catherine Umija: I beg to move that Clause 49(4) be amended as follows;

PAGE 40 Section 49(4) be amended by adding the word "thousand" between the word hundred and Kenya shillings.

(Question of the amendment proposed)

(Question of the amendment put and agreed to)

(Clause 49 (4) as amended agreed to)

Clause 54 (1)

(Question proposed)

Hon. Catherine Umija: Hon. Chair, I beg to move that Clause 54 (1) be amended as follows; Page 42 Section 54 (1) (C) be amended by deleting the words "at least three hundred meters after the words distance of and replacing them with the words "within the zoning restrictions on distance as per the zoning regulations."

(Question of the amendment proposed)

(Question of the amendment put and agreed to)

(Clause 54 (1) (c)) as amended agreed to)

Clause 75 (2)

(Question proposed)

Hon. Catherine Umija: Hon. Chair, I beg to move that Clause 75 (2) be amended as follows; Page 51 Section 75 (2) be amended by deleting the words "six months" and replacing them with the words "one year".

(Question of the amendment proposed)

(Question of the amendment put and agreed to)

(Clause 75 (2) as amended agreed to)

[Schedules with amendments]

FIRST SCHEDULE

(Question proposed)

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Hon. Catherine Umija: I beg to move that the first schedule be amended by deleting it in its entirety.

(Question of the amendment proposed)

[Schedules With Amendments]

Chairperson. Hon. Umija you should be ready.

First Schedule Page 52

(Question proposed)

Hon. Catherine Umija: We are in the schedules with amendments. Hon. Chair, I beg to move;

THAT the first schedule be amended as follows; Be amended by deleting it in its entirety.

Currently we have the first schedule having the permitted areas of sales and the number of outlets. As you can see, the permitted area of sale is currently there but now we want to delete that section entirely. Thank you.

(Question of the amendment proposed)

Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Asante, Mheshimiwa Spika. Nimeona ni vizuri nichangie hii kwa sababu katika ratiba ya kwanza, walikuwa wamependekeza miji ya Nanyuki, Nyahururu, Rumuruti na Doldol. Bwana Spika, mahali nimetoka hakujatajwa. Bwana Spika, Katiba inasema kila mtu yuko na haki ya kutembea Kenya mahali popote na kuburudika. Bwana Spika, sisi tunataka kuburudika mahali tuko. Tunataka Wakenya wakitaka kuburudika wakiwa Daiga na Doldol.

Mr. Speaker, we are in a free country. Thank you. I support the amendment by deleting it in its entirety. Thank you.

Chairperson: Asante, Mheshimiwa. Watu wamekusikia umewatetea.

(Question of the amendment put and agreed to)

Chairperson: Hon. Stephen, kindly switch off your microphone.

Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Hon. Chair, I am supporting the bill and every amendment in this bill. I am supporting together with Hon. Simon Kanyutu. You can even see he is relaxed and he is enjoying himself.

Chairperson: I can read the mood. The microphone is supporting you.

(First schedule as amended agreed to)

SECOND SCHEDULE

Second schedule page 53

(Question proposed)

Hon. Catherine Umija: Thank you, Chair. Today you will be calling my name 53 times. We are in the second schedule and I beg to move;

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THAT the second schedule be amended by renaming it FIRST SCHEDULE In addition, the second schedule NO.5 BAR AND RESTAURANT the time be amended by deleting the timelines of 5.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m. on weekdays and 2.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m. on weekends and public holidays and replacing it with 8.00 am to 11.00 pm on all days.

Because we have deleted the first schedule in page 52 in its entirety, we want to replace renaming the second schedule as the first schedule.

NO.6- NYAMA CHOMA, the time be amended by deleting the timelines of 5.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m. on weekdays and 2.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m. on weekends and public holidays and replacing them with timelines of 12.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m. on weekdays and 10.00 a.m. to 11.00 p.m. on weekends and public holidays.

Chairperson: Hon. Lekopien, the rules are relaxed so you can just contribute.

Hon. Parleto Lekopien: Hon. Speaker, I am just saying because a lot of our people have lost businesses because of this timing. If it is 8.00 a.m. to 11.00 p.m., it is better for the business and for the County Government of Laikipia. It is better for revenue collection. Thank you.

Chairperson: Hon. Umija you will have to excuse me because the rules are relaxed. In case I stop you, bear with me. Bear with me…

Hon. Samuel Mugambi: Hon. Chair, I do not know whether the paper I have is reading different. What Hon. Umija is reading is not what is written here. I wish her to repeat so that we follow and see whether she is reading the same.

Chairperson: Hon. Umija, kindly read slowly

Hon. Catherine Umija: Thank you, Hon. Chair. I just want to go Interdev with Hon. Gatati. Hon. Gatati we are in page 53. Do you have your gadget, the yellow paper and the white paper? Can we go to number 6, schedule 2 in page 53? It is currently reading authorise to sell alcohol bill with meals or meat. From Monday to Friday during the working hours is stipulated at 5.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m. During the weekends and public holiday, it is 2.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m.

We are proposing that the time be amended by deleting the timelines 5.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m. on weekends, 2.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m. on weekdays and public holidays and replacing them with the timelines 12.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m. on weekdays and 10.00 a.m. to 11.00 p.m. on weekends and public holidays. You can see that the times have changed.

Hon. Samuel Mugambi: It is 12.00 p.m.

Chairperson: You speak through the Chair. For that, you will have to wait as I acknowledge Hon. Simon Kanyutu.

Hon. Simon Kanyutu: Thank you, Mr. Chair. The amendments are okay because it is 12.00 p.m. during the day. By the time you go to Nyama Choma, you must eat and this is especially during the holiday. The time is okay but not in other bars but for Nyama Choma, it should be allowed. You might take ¾ kilogram of meat then you decide to drop with something. I am sure that time frame is okay.

Chairperson: I will give Hon. Gatati and as much as the rules have relaxed, I will now have to protect the mover. Kindly, be the last person to contribute as I ignore Hon. Lekopien.

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Hon. Samuel Mugambi: Maybe what Hon. Lekopien wanted to raise is what I want. Through the chair, I am considering time and it is also important to note the time. This is what we shall pass. What is written here shall be referred in the future. What is 12.00pm? I understand if you are talking about Nyama Choma, it is so inconsiderate that they have to eat up to 12.00. When I am coming from Nyahururu to Nanyuki, I drop by somewhere in Ngobit where we take meat. Does it mean that I cannot take meat there until 12.00? I do not know what 12.00 means. It is either 12.00 at night until 11.00 the following night.

Hon. Parleto Lekopien: 12.00 at night is 12.00 a.m.

Chairperson: Hon. Members, let me protect the mover Hon. Catherine Umija to move until I give you a chance to debate. Hon. Umija the floor is yours. I will give you time to debate. Let us allow her to read it slowly and your answer is in the details. Hon. Umija kindly continue. We are not in a hurry. I will not be allowing you to interject the mover. Mover, you have the freedom.

Hon. Catherine Umija: Thank you, Chair. I know that people are concerned about time. When we are saying Nyama Choma. These are areas where alcohol is being sold. It is labelled as Nyama Choma because they sell. They are allowed to sell alcohol between 12.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m. Can we understand that? Let me move to Page 54 then we can do discussion.

PAGE 54 NO.7 WINES AND SPIRITS the time be amended by deleting the timeline of 8.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. and replacing it with 10.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m. on all days.

(Question of the amendment proposed)

Chairperson: Hon. Members, I stand guided that we are discussing alcohol. We are not discussing about eating Nyama Choma. I am advised that you can eat your Nyama Choma anytime of the day. Hon. Members, I am being reminded that if you happen to have a butchery and a liquor shop, you are advised that the first drink of the day should be from 12.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m. but you can eat Nyama Choma any day. The floor is open for debate. Thank you.

Mheshimiwa Stephen, wacha niweke kwa Kiswahili kwamba tunaongea maneno ya pombe na uuzaji wa nyama. Kama uko na duka la nyama ambayo imeandikwa kwa mfano "*Kagondu and family*" mtu yeyote anaweza kununua nyama wakati wowote. I am just using as an example because I know you are Bishop, Father, Catechist and everything good. Stay guided.

(Question of the amendment put and agreed to)

(Second schedule as amended agreed to)

THIRD SCHEDULE

(Question proposed)

Hon. Catherine Umija: Thank you, Chair. We are in the Third Schedule and I beg to move that the third schedule be amended as follows;

PAGE 55 The third schedule be amended to read Second Schedule

Because we deleted the first schedule, we replaced the second schedule in the first schedule and the third schedule in the second schedule.

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(Question of the amendment put and agreed to)

(Third schedule as amended agreed to)

INTERPRETATIONS

Chairperson: Since Hon. Stephen, since you are a very good student, we are now in the interpretations.

Clause 2

(Question proposed)

Hon. Catherine Umija: Thank you, Chair. We are almost winding up. Hon. Chair, I beg to move;

THAT clause 2 be amended as follows;

On page 7, the word restaurant currently reads a place or premise or commercial establishment however described where meals are prepared, served or sold to customers.

So, within this definition, we want to amend that the definition of the word "restaurant" be amended by adding the word "drinks" between the word 'meal' and 'are'. It will read it is a means, a place, a premise or a commercial establishment where meals and drinks are prepared and served or sold to customers.

Thank you, Mr. Chair.

(Question of the amendment proposed)

(Clause 2 as amended agreed to)

LONG TITLE

(Question proposed)

(Long title agreed to)

SHORT TITLE/CITATION

(Question proposed)

(Short title agreed to)

REPORT AND CONSIDERATION OF REPORT

THE LAIKIPIA COUNTY ALCOHOLIC DRINKS CONTROL BILL, 2024

Hon. Catherine Umija: Hon. Chairperson, I beg to move;

THAT the Committee of the Whole House do report to the Assembly its consideration of the Laikipia County Alcoholic Bills 2024 (Laikipia County Bills No. 1) and its approval thereof with its amendments.

Thank you.

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Chairperson: Hon. Stephen, we are almost summarizing. It is fine to start practicing your discipline soon. The House will resume shortly.

(Question proposed)

(Question put and agreed to)

[The Chairperson (Hon. Anthony Theuri) left the Chair]

[The House Resumed]

[The Speaker (Hon. Lantano Nabaala) in the Chair]

Speaker: Hon. Members, I now call the Chair of the Whole House, Hon. Anthony Theuri to report to the House.

Chairperson: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. We had a very good session and the rules were relaxed. I want to remind the Members that we have to put our discipline boots in order. Hon. Speaker, I beg to report

THAT the Committee of the Whole House has considered the Laikipia County Alcoholic Drinks Control Bill, 2024 (Laikipia County Bills No. 1) and its approval thereof with its amendments.

Thank you, Hon. Speaker.

Speaker: Hon. Anthony I can see your mic is on. After you have reported to the House, I want to call upon the mover to move the motion.

Hon. Catherine Umija: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I stand guided that;

I beg to move THAT this House do agree with the committee on the said report.

(Question proposed)

Speaker: Since the Members had enough time to debate on this, I will put the question.

(Question put and agreed to)

BILL

Third Reading

LAIKIPIA COUNTY ALCOHOLIC DRINKS CONTROL BILL, 2024

Hon. Catherine Umija: Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Pursuant to Standing Order Number 131(2) I beg to move that Laikipia County Alcoholic Bill, 2024 (Laikipia County Bills No. 1) be now read a third time.

Mr. Speaker, I request Hon. Paul Leshuel to second.

Hon. Paul Leshuel: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I second the motion.

(Question proposed)

(Question put and agreed to)

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(The Bill was accordingly read the Third Time and passed)

PROCEDURAL MOTION

ADJOURNMENT OF THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY

Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Asante, Bwana Spika. Niko na mswada. Hon. Speaker, I beg to move the following motion;

THAT pursuant to Standing Order No. 28(1), the County Assembly do adjourn until Tuesday 11th February, 2025.

Bwana Spika, huu ni mswada ambao nimeleta katika Bunge na ninaona Mheshimiwa Anthony amefurahia na ni kwa sababu anaelewa ya kwamba huu ni wakati mwafaka ambapo sisi ambao tumechaguliwa na wananchi tuko na nafasi ya kuweza kutembelea wananchi ambao walituchagua. Tutaweza kuongea na wao na tuwaulize maoni yao ili wakati tutafika katika Bunge hili tutakuwa na nafasi mwafaka wa kujua kilicho moyoni mwa mwananchi ambaye aliamka kupiga kura.

Bwana Spika, vilevile katika wiki zilizopita tumefanya biashara yetu na tunajua ni mingi. Zingine Bwana Spika, tunajua hazijaisha kwa sababu hatuwezi kumaliza biashara zote. Waheshimiwa wanafaa kujitayarisha kwa mwili na roho ili kumpokea Yesu Kristo atakapokuwa akizaliwa mwezi wa Disemba tarehe 25. Vilevile, watajitayarisha kupokea mwaka mpya unaokuja tarehe moja, Januari.

Bwana Spika, itakuwa ni jambo mwafaka kama sisi wote tunampenda Yesu Kristo na tunajua nguvu ambayo imetufikisha hapa ni nguvu ya Yesu Kristo…

Speaker: Order Hon. Members! The House is heard in silence. Proceed Hon. Stephen.

Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Mheshimiwa Spika, asante kwa kunilinda. Kama sisi tunajua ile nguvu ambayo imetufikisha hapa, ni nguvu ya Yesu Kristo ambaye ni mwokozi na ambaye alibeba msalaba. Bwana Spika, kubeba msalaba kwa sababu ya dhambi za mtu, ni jambo ambalo hatufai kuleta mchezo. Ninaomba Waheshimiwa wapitishe mswada ili tuweze kuwa na nafasi mwafaka kama vile nimesema. Kuna wale ambao watasherehekea. Leo tumepitisha sheria ambayo imepeana nafasi ya wale ambao wanataka kufurahia ili wakafurahie.

Vilevile ni lazima tuzingatie wale wengine ambao ni askofu na wachungaji watakaofurahia kuona kuzaliwa kwa Yesu Kristo. Ninaomba Bunge hili kumpenda Yesu Kristo na Muhammad kwa kauli moja kwa sababu pia yeye ni mtume wa Mungu. Vilevile tutembelee familia. Wengine wetu hapa Bwana Spika ni vijana. Bwana Spika, katika *census* ambayo imetoka, kuna kabila ambazo zinaendelea kufifia hasa wa kutoka mlima.

Ni lazima tuwe na nafasi mwafaka ya kukaa nyumbani. Wale ambao wako na nguvu, watumie hiyo nguvu wakati huu kwa sababu watakuwa na nafasi ya kukaa nyumbani ili tuongeze kura. Kama hatutaweza kuwa na hiyo nafasi wengine huenda wakateseka. Bwana Spika, Waheshimiwa wengine wametoka mbali kwa mfano Mheshimiwa Karuiru ambaye ametoka Ol Moran. Tuko na Lekopien kutoka Sosian na wakati mwingi yuko hapa Bunge.

Bwana Spika, sisi wote tulichaguliwa kuja hapa Bunge na wakati mwingine tunafaa kuwa na familia karibu. Mimi niko sawa kwa sababu ninaonana na familia yangu kila wakati lakini wakati mwingine tunawajali wale ambao wako mbali. Tunataka pia wao wawe na nafasi mwafaka

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kama ile ambayo huwa tunapata na tunaomba sisi wote tuungane mkono tupitishe huu mswada kwa sababu uko katika kalenda yetu.

Kalenda yetu inasema tuondoke na hatuna budi. Ninaomba Mheshimiwa Leshuel kutoka Mashariki mwa Mukogodo aweze kuunga mkono huu mswada. Asante.

Hon. Paul Leshuel: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I appreciate the mover of this motion and I would like to make some clarity to him that I am from Mukogodo East and Hon. Lempaira is from Mukogodo West. Hon. Lekopien is from Sosian Ward. It is very difficult to understand Laikipia North because you do not have interest. We have interest in every ward. Mr. Speaker, I am here to second the motion.

The reason why I want to second this motion is because we are in December and you know the activities that are in December. Everybody is in their homes to enjoy and interact with our children. As much as we are having a long holiday, in January we need time to take our children back to school. Mr. Speaker, it is time we prepare ourselves so that we take our children wherever we want to take them. Many of us will take them to Mombasa and other areas.

I want to remind Hon. Members and the public who are here that we should save money for January so that we do not spend everything that we have collected and saved for the last 12 months. Mr. Speaker, we need time and it will be unfortunate if we sit here, debating in December while other people are outside enjoying themselves. Mr. Speaker, that is why the calendar gives us time in December and January so that in February we come back when we are fresh and without any interference so that we continue serving the people of Laikipia.

Mr. Speaker, I second the motion that we should go for recess until February so that we come back when we know everything that is happening in our wards, what is happening in our community and we will be able to address them here. I would like to take this short time but I second. Thank you.

(Question proposed)

Speaker: I want to give the floor to Hon. Kibue.

Hon. Catherine Kibue: Asante sana, Bwana Spika kwa kunipatia hii fursa. Kwanza namshukuru Maulana kwa kuniwezesha kuwa katika Bunge hili ili niweze kuwa wa kwanza kupinga muswada ambao umeletwa hapa na ndugu yangu Mheshimiwa Ndiritu. Itakuwa ni makosa na hatia nikiwa nyumbani na familia yangu nikisherehekea ilhali sijafanya kazi ambayo ilifanya watu Ngobit wanilete hapa.

Hawakunileta hapa niwe picha ila walinileta niwe mwakilishi wao. Kuna *bursary* ambayo iko mbele yetu na sijui ni watoto wangapi wa wadi yangu wanapatiwa. Sijui ni pesa ngapi wanapatiwa na sioni umuhimu wa kusherehekea na familia yangu. Wakati nilikuwa ninaomba kura niliwapa ahadi nitasimama na wao wakati wa majonzi na wakati wa furaha.

Ndio maana ninasimama kidete wapitishe wasipitishe, nitataka sauti yangu iingie hapo kwa kuwa wakati nilikuwa katika Bunge hili, kama mwanadada, nilisimama na wamama wenzangu kwa sababu mama ndiye anajua shida ya watoto wake. Wadi ya Ngobit iko nyuma yangu na nisiposimama na wao siku ya leo, niseme sheria ambayo imepita hapa ni ya watu kupiga sherehe. Kwa hivyo, mimi niseme tukapige sherehe nyumbani ilhali hatujajua Watoto watarudi shule Januari na nini.

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Mungu aliye hai na ambaye alinipa kibali watu wa Ngobit wakanikubali, hawakunichagua kwa sababu nilikuwa mwanadada mweupe. Walinipa kwa sababu Mungu aliye hai aliwapa huo moyo ili wanichague. Itakuwa ni makosa na hatia kama sitasimama na wao siku ya leo. Ninaomba Ndugu yangu Stephen kwa sababu tumekuwa naye wakati uliopita na tuko naye hapa, tusimame na watu ambao walitufanya tuwe tunaheshimika siku ya leo. Tunakula na wakubwa kwa meza zao.

Sio eti sisi tulikuwa wa heshima ama dhamana lakini ni kibali cha Mungu. Wacha tusimame na watoto wa masikini ambao wanatuhitaji wakati huu. Ukimpa huo mtoto cheki na awe hakika atapata hiyo pesa Januari, hakika atakuombea maombi wakati mwingine usipate ajali kama ulivyopata 2017 na kuingia hapa ukiwa mlemavu. Sasa hivi utapata kiti cha Seneta au Gavana, uendelee mbele. Kwa hayo machache, ninapinga huu mswada mia kwa mia. Asante.

Hon. Anthony Theuri: Asante sana, Bwana Spika. Ninasimama kupinga mswada. Kwanza tumezoea Mungu katika hii nchi. Kwa kitu kizuri, tunatumia Biblia kupitisha na pia kwa kitu kibaya tunatumia Biblia kupitisha. Wewe ni msomi wa Biblia na mimi, wewe na wale wengine tunaamini Yesu. Wale wameokoka kama mimi, Krisimasi ni matendo mema. Hiyo ndiyo sababu ya kwanza ambayo Mheshimiwa Stephen amesema tunaenda kufanya.

Yesu anazaliwa kila siku kwenye mioyo yetu kwa matendo mazuri na ninaomba kusikia amina kwa Wakristo wenzetu. Pili, wale Mungu amejalia na nguvu ya kutengeneza kura, unaweza kutengeneza kura kwa wakati wowote ili mradi uko na bibi mzuri na si mpango wa kando na afya nzuri, unaweza kutengeneza kura pahali popote. Kwa hivyo hiyo si sababu. Ya tatu Bwana Spika, ieleweke ya kwamba ninaelekea miaka arobaini na hii mara yangu ya kwanza kuwa katika Bunge hili. Itakuwa ni aibu ninaenda kula chapati na kuku na kile ambacho tumepitishia sheria hapa ya pombe na nyama, wakati ufadhili wa karo haijapeanwa.

Mheshimiwa Nicholas Muturi hapa amenionyesha kwamba ufadhili wa karo una dosari. Hao mawaziri na maafisa watendaji hata hawapokei simu zetu. Tumeona pahali wameficha pesa na tukiangalia kwa jicho la unabii, tunaona kuna shida pale mbele. Hatuwezi kuenda sikukuu kama watu hawajapewa hiyo kazi. Itakuwa aibu. Sasa hivi, mimi nina mgonjwa hospitalini; watu wangu huenda hapo. Hiyo hospitali ina mambo mengi yanayohitaji kuangaliwa. Nitakataje keki ya Krisimasi ilhali watu hospitalini hawana dawa?

Hapa nalipwa pesa nzuri na lazima niifanyie kazi. Nikienda likizo kabla ya kuwawakilisha watu wa Nanyuki itakuwa wizi wa hali ya juu. Naomba hii Nyumba, kwa mara ya kwanza tupinge huu mswada iwapo tunawapenda watu wa Laikipia. Hatuwezi kuweka tumbo na tamaa mbele watu wetu wakiwa na shida. Nawaomba wote tupinge na tufanye kazi kwa sababu kuna malipo hapa duniani na mbinguni. Asanteni sana.

Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Anthony. I want to give the chance to Hon. Mwaniki.

Hon. Nicholas Mwaniki: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I do stand to oppose this motion because we are dealing with facts, and facts do not lie because these are documents that are online. If I read correctly, I could see as the Budget Committee Chair that we have been allocated Kshs.75 million to be awarded as bursary kitty. On checking, Laikipia County VTC has been awarded Kshs.10 million. In the previous allocation there was a combination of the funds that were to be allocated to high schools, primary schools, TVETs and every other entity that was supposed to be allocated funds; it was a combination.

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As of today, I can see that Tigithi Ward has been awarded Kshs.3.8 million. However, there is another different kitty set aside here for VTC for which has Kshs.10 million has been allocated. How will the sub-division be done? How will we achieve equity whereas the funds have been set aside as a bloc? The funds for TVETs should be divided according to the TVETs that we have per ward, or maybe distributed across the wards. As per now, though, the funds have been set as a bloc.

Mr. Speaker, if we go for recess without a substantial explanation being given about this, then we are giving our people a raw deal. The people who elected us are hanging in a balance if we go on this recess without a proper explanation and Members, having not played their oversight role on bursary issues. Last time in my ward, there arose a very huge problem on the ECDE coordinator of my ward due to matters of subdivision of bursary funds.

When we head out now, who are we leaving our children to? Are we leaving our young people at the mercies of the committee and the ECDE coordinator? The funds have not been subdivided accordingly across the wards. How are we sure that the ten million will go towards our vocational training centres? What is the formula that will be used to subdivide the funds across the VTCs? I do rise to oppose this motion. I do not want to go home. If it be next week, we can adjourn, but after having done what brought us to this Assembly. So, I stand to oppose.

Speaker: I want to give the floor to Hon. Salim.

Hon. Salim Edung: Nashukuru, Bwana Spika, kwa kunipa hii nafasi. La kwanza, Waswahili husema panapo moshi pana moto. Tumeona moshi ikitokea mahali. Sisi tunapinga mswada wa leo. Tunapinga mswada wa leo kwa kauli moja kwa sababu tumeona maneno mengi ikisambaa katika rununu zetu. Hii inamaanisha kuwa hata kama kidato cha kwanza hawatakuwa mwakani, huwezi kata pesa yetu kwa sababu hiyo. Kama pesa ya ufadhili wa karo imetengwa, iwekwe mahali panapostahili.

Bwana Spika, imefika mahali ambapo hatuwezi kuangalia mambo yakifanyika nasi tunakuwa tu kama kibao. Hapana. Tumekataa hilo. Waswahili husema ukiona cha mwenzako chanyolewa, chako kitie maji. Bodi la ukusanyaji wa mapato lilicheza na mwishowe tukalinyoa. Huu sio mchezo. Sisi tumekuja hapa kwa sababu waliotupigia kura wanahitaji kwamba tunapogawa ufadhili wa karo, tufanye hivyo kulingana na hesabu iliyofanywa. Mimi nasema hivi kuhusu mchezo ulio katika ufadhili wa karo: sisi hatuendi likizo hadi tuone kwamba ugavi wa pesa za ufadhili wa karo kwa watoto wetu umefanywa inavyostahili.

Bwana Spika, lingine ni kwamba hata Jumamosi na Jumapili ni likizo. Sio lazima tufunge Bunge ili tuende likizo. Sasa hivi tukitoka hapa tunaenda nyumbani na tukipatana na wapiga kura walio pale watatuuliza kwanza kuhusu mipango ya ufadhili wa karo. Tukienda likizo patatokea mwanya wa pesa ya watoto wetu kupotea. Sasa hatuchezi na watu. Hatuchezi na kodi ya mwananchi wa Jamhuri ya Kenya hapa Laikipia.

Lazima tusimame kidete. Ningewasihi Wabunge wenzangu, kama tumesimama kwa miguu yote, hatutaki mtu mwenye kuinua mguu mmoja tu. Tunataka kusimama kidete kupinga mswada wa kuenda likizo. Tusimame hivyo hadi mwisho ili tupate jawabu kwamba tumefanya kazi yetu hapa, ambayo ni kuwawakilisha wananchi wa Laikipia. Asanteni.

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Speaker: Hon. Members, I can see the direction the motion is taking. I want to suspend the sitting for thirty minutes to allow for further consultation then we will come back and proceed. This House now stands suspended until 4.35 p.m.

(The House rose at 4.06 p.m.)

(The sitting was suspended for 30 minutes)

(The House resumed at 4.36 p.m.)

[The Speaker (Hon. Lantano Nabaala) in the Chair]

Speaker: Hon. Members, pursuant to Standing Order No. 1 which I am going to read, i suspended the House for a few minutes. Allow me to read Standing Order No. 1: *"In all cases not herein after provided for and subject to the Constitution and other written laws, the Speaker shall decide, having regard to orders of the Assembly, the usages, forms, precedence, customs, procedures and traditions of the Assembly and the National Assembly and Legislative Assemblies from other jurisdictions, in view of the constitutional principles, the practices in other parliaments insofar as the same may be applicable to this Assembly."*

Therefore, Members, using this and other precedence, I did suspend the sitting and now we resume. Being an ongoing sitting, therefore, we will begin with Order No. 10.

PROCEDURAL MOTION

ALTERATION OF THE ASSEMBLY CALENDAR

Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Hon. Speaker, I am standing again; you see, it is very wise to listen to the people. I have said earlier that sovereign power belongs to the people. These are the people and they have decided on what they want. There is a saying which goes, *'it is only a fool who does not change his mind'*. On this one, we have changed our minds and now, on behalf of the Majority Leader, I beg to move the following motion;

THAT, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 29(4), this Assembly resolves to alter its calendar as adopted on 6th March 2024, so as to:

a) Proceed on a short recess from 5th December 2024.

b) Resume its regular sittings on 17th December 2024.

Bwana Spika, huu ni mswada ambao tumeweza kuleta wakati huu, ambapo tumebadilisha kalenda yetu tuliyopitisha hapo awali kwa sababu Bunge linaongozwa na katiba, sheria pamoja na kalenda. Hizo zote ndizo zinaongoza Bunge letu. Tumeona tuwe na likizo fupi tupumzike kidogo, tuonane na wananchi kidogo na tusikize mashinani kidogo kisha turudi hapa tarehe kumi na saba kuzungumza kuhusu mambo yanayoenea. Nimesikia Wabunge wakiongea kuhusu mambo ya ufadhili wa karo, kwamba kuna dosari na kuna shida katika hiyo idara.

Napongeza Kamati ya Elimu kwa vile wameweza kuketi na kuwaalika waziri pamoja na afisa mtendaji waje hapa Bungeni kuangazia yanayoendelea katika hiyo idara. Tunajua kwamba afisa mtendaji katika Idara ya Elimu alikuwa katika Idara ya Michezo hapo awali, na ikawa kuna shida na kilio kwa wingi. Mimi, kama nabii, nilitabiri kuwa tumehamisha shida kutoka mahali hapo hadi kwenye idara iliyo na pesa ya watoto. Sasa ni kilio tupu.

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Najua hakuna Mbunge yeyote anayetaka kuona watoto wanakosa ufadhili wa karo. Kwa hivyo, itakuwa ni jambo la busara tukipumzika wiki moja tuone shida iko wapi kisha turudi tarehe kumi na saba. Nawaomba Wabunge, tukisema tunarudi Bungeni tarehe 17, hebu tuje Bungeni. Tuhudhurie Bunge na kufanya kazi. Tusiseme tarehe 17 kisha tukija hapa tunapata hata hamna akidi. Hilo ni jambo ambalo hata mwananchi hatapenda.

Kwa hivyo, ningewaomba tukirudi tarehe kumi na saba tuwe tayari kufanya shughuli kisha tukabiliane na hao mawaziri na maafisa watendaji ambao wanaleta shida katika Kaunti yetu. Hakuna mtu kubwa kuliko hawa Waheshimiwa walio hapa. Hawa wameenda kuongea na Wanjiku na wakapewa kura. Kwa hivyo, litakuwa jambo lisilo la kawaida kama unampigia waziri simu na anakosa kupokea. Huyo ni mtu ambaye tulimpitisha hapa, na ikiwa tulimpitisha hapa kisha akose kuwatii hawa Wabunge; ni hawa ndio wana nguvu. Wamfute kazi kisha Gavana apate kule mbele kwamba wamemfuta.

Ningeomba Bunge hili tushikane na tuwe kitu kimoja kwa sababu tukitengana mtakiona. Sisi tutakuwa tu tunanusa harufu ya nyama wao wakila. Ndivyo kunaenda hapa. Nimeonyeshwa hapa na Mheshimiwa kutoka Tigithi mgawo wa milioni kumi bali pesa nyingine haiko. Imeenda wapi? Milioni kumi sio pesa kidogo. Kwa hivyo, mimi naunga mkono na kuwaomba Wabunge tuende likizo ndogo kuanzia tarehe tano kisha turudi tarehe kumi na saba Desemba, na tafadhali tuwe hapa tufanye kazi.

Kwa hayo, nataka kumwita Mheshimiwa Gatati ambaye yuko hapa. Alipokuja niliona ana furaha nikamwuliza ni nini anachojua ambacho sijui, bali sasa nimekuja kuona kwamba kinaendelea kuturamba, na nikaona hapa kumeenda. Kwa sababu najua yeye ni kijana ambaye anaelewa na ni mkakamavu, na ameletwa hapa na watu wa Salama kuangalia mambo yote ikiwemo ya ufadhili wa karo, namwomba asimame kuunga huu mswada mkono, tuende likizo ya wiki moja kisha turudi hapa kupambana na hawa ambao wameota pembe katika hii Kaunti. Asante.

Hon. Samuel Mugambi: I stand to second the motion on adjournment for one week. The is a saying which goes; evil prevails when good people keep quiet. So, when we keep quiet, evil prevails; we are being counted on the wrong side of history. I want to thank all the Members who stood and fought for their rights, and not just their rights; because these people are representatives of the people. When you see me here, there are 32,000 people from my ward behind me, and they cannot stand here. That is why I took an oath here on the first day to represent them with a good heart and in an honest way.

Hon. Speaker, this is a good way for this House to go. I want to echo my words to the Department of Education. Last year, the Education Department messed with my ward. No coin from the money that was scheduled to be allocated to TVETs was allocated. A whole half a million disappeared into thin air. Up to this date, I have never recovered the money, and I have no one to help me.

Hon. Speaker, I want to show you how we suffer, being the representatives of the people. When you go to the villages we represent, even affording a meal is a problem for some of the families. Sometimes, we ignore so many things because you just go to a hotel and eat what you want then pay via M-Pesa because you have the money. When some families receive that four thousand shillings that we allocate in the bursary, some of the single mothers usually cry. They do not cry because of pain but due to happiness.

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So, this is a very sensitive thing that touches. In fact, among the many projects that Laikipia County does, bursary allocation is one of the most emotional, and these Members can testify. When you go to meetings, especially the Chiefs or Assistant Chiefs meetings, they usually note. Members of Parliament are giving us a very big challenge because an MP comes to my place and says that they want to do a public meeting and allocate bursaries, in public, because they have sufficient amounts.

At the County Government, we do not have as much amount as the National Government does. However, as the Bible says, you should take care of the little that you have, and God judges how you handle the little. So, I want to urge this House that we be stern and aggressive on matters of following up on the transparency and the formulas they are using. We also suffer a lot in some wards.

If you look at that schedule, I usually get less bursary in my ward because of the population but in other things such as roads, we all get the same amount yet I have a very big ward. So, apart from that issue, I second the motion. Let us adjourn for one week then come back here, and when we do, the Education Committee should have stopped the vetting of bursaries in our wards. Thank you, Hon. Speaker.

Speaker: Thank you so much, Members.

(Question proposed)

Speaker: Hon. Kanyutu, the floor is yours.

Hon. Simon Kanyutu: Hon. Speaker, I stand to support the Whip on behalf of the Majority Leader for accepting to read the mood of the House. It is unfortunate because some of the sentiments that we are getting from the Chair of the Budget Committee are shocking. If he can set aside some money for TVETs in the whole county, for instance, Kshs.10 million, we really have much concern. Do we have a county bursary committee to share the amount, or which criteria is used?

Mr. Speaker, it is unfortunate and I am also very much concerned about that Department of Education. We need to get more information because it means that something is cooking within it. I have been following up, and it is shocking. My ECDE class that we allocated money to during the first financial year has never been opened up to date. In the second year, we allocated for another class which is now under construction as we are on the third year. I wonder what is wrong with that department.

I am sure there are some Members who said that they might decide to work on the CECM in this House, and some of them come from my area but I will be the first to hit them on the head. I support them, but when it comes to doing what is not right and what will cause me to be challenged by my people, I will be the first to show them the way that the work ought to be done. I thank the Hon. Member for the one week that we will be on recess, where I will be able to relax with my family, which is very important. When we come back, let us have a modality on how we will be able to tackle all the issues that are not going on well in our county. Thank you.

Hon. Nicholas Lempaira: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I want to take this opportunity to support the motion and to thank Hon. Kagondu Stephen for bringing up the motion. I want to agree with the sentiments of my fellow Hon. Members that indeed we need to meet with some of these

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CO's. There has been a tendency in the County Government of Laikipia to always bring things in the last minute when they know that one will not be available the next day. They bring to you so that tomorrow they can do what they want.

Hon. Speaker, the things that are ahead of us are very crucial to the people we represent. Just the other day, we saw Hon. Kagondu chase away the Revenue Board because of what they did. We have an enforcement group whose contract is expiring in the next few weeks. We have not been briefed as Members of this House who represent the people so that when we go for holiday, we can have something to tell them when they seek clarification. We have been asking for a meeting with the Governor but he has been dodging it. This is a message he should receive; we want to have a meeting with him come rain or sunshine. This is so that we can put to rest some of the issues we have on our minds and things which we think are not going right.

Hon. Speaker, when we talk about the bursary, I think some COs are just unlucky in their lives. When Jecinta was in the Sports docket, we were harassed here all because of the money that was supposed to be used for construction in every ward just disappeared into thin air. Now again there is a question on where another Kshs.10 million is. I think we need to start from the head. The CECM for Education needs to appear before the whole House so that we can all have a chance to interrogate these things. It is the CECMs who take responsibility for some of the things that are happening in these departments.

It is wrong that we are going for a long recess of two months; this bursary will have been vetted and distributed without us being involved at all, because we will be busy doing other things when we go home. When we are here, however, it is easy to whip Members and get a good number of us to present some of the issues that we are having.

Hon. Speaker, we want to thank the Chairperson of the Budget Committee this afternoon for seeing the benefit in some of the things that we pass as a House. It is time that we took everything seriously. Every single penny in this county must matters. That is why we are saying that the one week we will be back here is one in which we will ask for serious accountability and processes to make sure that the bursary is received by people who are supposed to have it and in the best way possible. Once again, thank you Hon. Kagondu for bringing the motion and accepting the will of the people.

Hon. Parleto Lekopien: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I stand to support the motion on adjournment of the House for a week. It is just by surprise that we get all these incidences happening at the same time. We had a meeting as the Committee of Education and bursary allocation was extended to Friday, this week. Coincidentally, the House was supposed to go on recess today. Coincidentally, again, this is when we are getting the report on bursary allocation to the wards. All this happening when everyone knows that the House breaks for recess today.

Secondly, all the vetting and issuing of forms was supposed to happen when we are not here. Coincidentally, the allocation was done when we were not here. It is not fair to go on recess when everyone is crying back at home. It is not the first time that we have had issues with the Bursary Committee on bursary allocation. It is the third year now and if we do not get it right, we will be counted on the wrong side of life especially by the people of Laikipia.

Hon. Speaker, I am so happy that we have adjourned the House for a week so that we can put all these things on the right track. As Hon. Kagondu has said, we need to sit with the committee.

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As we speak, we have had a meeting and have issued an ultimatum that we need to see the CECM and the CO tomorrow so that we can know the fate of the bursary and how the allocation was done.

I want to thank the Chair of the Budget Committee because he has pointed out things that were done without even involving the Chair of the Budget Committee. I stand to support and urge the Members to stand firm so that we get counted on the things that are happening. As the Chair of the Finance Committee was making so much noise here recently because of the Revenue Board which eventually got suspended; I do not know if they were sacked or suspended; I just want to echo the same words. Please stand with us, Hon. Kagondu, and you will be counted by the good people of Thingithu for the good work that you are doing today. I support the motion, thank you.

Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Members. Allow me now to invite the mover of the motion to reply.

Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Asante, Mheshimiwa Spika. Nasimama kuwapongeza hawa Wabunge kwa maoni yote ambayo wametoa, na ni maoni yanayoeleweka. Nimeelewa vile Mheshimiwa Lekopien amesema kwamba ni kama mambo mengi yalikuwa mafanywa katika dakika za mwisho. Wengine wetu hatukujua hilo, hatukuwa tumeona hilo. Ndiposa hata Biblia inasema kila mtu amchunge nduguye. Mimi nakubali kwa sababu Mheshimiwa Lekopien amenichunga nikiwa hapa.

Mheshimiwa Spika, wakati mwingine unapokuwa hapa ukisoma mswada, hujui yale yanayoendelea. Kwa hivyo wakati hisia ziliibuka lazima ningetii matakwa ya hawa Wabunge. Mimi nitasimama kidete na wananchi wa Laikipia na watu walionichagua. Kama kuna hela hata moja iliyotoka kwenye mgao tuliopitisha hapa, mimi nitasimama kidete kuteta na kuhakikisha pesa yote imerudishwa.

Vilevile, nitasimama nikiwa wa kwanza kusema kwamba iwapo pesa ya ufadhili wa karo itaguswa, basi Jecinta Korere aende nyumbani. Mimi nitakuwa mtu wa kwanza kusimama hapa kusema, kama pesa ya ufadhili wa karo itaguswa, Biwott, ambaye ni Waziri wa Elimu lazima pia aende nyumbani. Huu ndio wakati tunafaa kuungana na kuwa makini. Nawarai Wabunge kuhakikisha kuwa tunafanya hii serikali iwajibike. Tusipokuwa makini tutaona moto. Mambo ambayo baadhi ya hawa mawaziri na maafisa watendaji wanafanya katika wizara zao ni za kutiliwa shaka.

Tuungane kuwakabili na kuwafanya waelewe kwamba sisi pia ni sehemu ya serikali. Hii serikali ina vitengo viwili: Serikali Tekelezi na Bunge. Wao wanafanya mambo peke yao. Sisi ni sehemu ya serikali na ni lazima tuonyeshe mamlaka yetu ili waelewe jukumu letu. Tuwe na meno na tuyatumie kuuma. Iwapo tuna meno bali hatuumi, sisi hatuna maana. Hebu angalau tuume kitu. Nawapongeza Wabunge na kuwasihi waunge huu mswada mkono. Ahsante.

(Question put and agreed to)

Speaker: As we proceed to the next order, Members, let us remember that we will have a kamukunji after this session. I require that when we finish you remain behind for a minute.

PROCEDURAL MOTION

ADJOURNMENT OF THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY

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Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Mheshimiwa Spika, sijui kunaendaje hapa. Nilikuwa na huo mswada bali sasa sijui kipi kinachoendelea. Naomba karani... asante. Hon. Speaker, I beg to move the following motion;

THAT pursuant to the provision of Standing Order No. 29(3), the County Assembly do adjourn until Tuesday 17th December, 2024.

Hon. Speaker, following the alteration of the Assembly calendar, it is now high time for us to approve this motion of adjournment to the said date, 17th December, so that we can resume and tackle the issues that are before us. Without further ado, I now call another person from the other side of the government, the opposition side, to second this motion. I know they have to second this motion; we are in one government. I am now calling upon Hon. Lempaira to second this motion. Thank you.

Hon. Nicholas Lempaira: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I stand to second the motion. Thank you.

(Question proposed)

Speaker: Members, I open the floor for debate. Hon. Kanyutu?

Hon. Simon Kanyutu: Mheshimiwa Spika, najua tayari Wabunge wamepitisha hili, ile vijana husema "kuanguka nayo", sasa wameanguka nayo.

Speaker: That being the case, I invite the mover to reply.

Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Hon. Speaker, I will echo Hon. Kanyutu's words that *"hii imeenda"*, or *"anguka nayo".* I am very much grateful for the support from the Members for this motion. Thank you.

Speaker: Hon. Members, pursuant to Standing Order No. 29, allow me to read it because it is prudent and important that I do so. It says: *"On a day when the Assembly is scheduled to adjourn to a day other than the next normal sitting day in accordance with the Assembly calendar, the Leader of the Majority Party or the Leader of the Minority Party, or another Member of the House Business Committee shall move a motion of adjournment which shall be debated for not more than three hours after which the Assembly shall adjourn without question put."*

Thank you very much. Members, after hearing the sentiments in regards to education and bursary, I direct that the Committee on Education pick up the matter and report to the House when we resume. Thank you.

ADJOURNMENT

Speaker: The sittings of this House now stand adjourned until Tuesday, 17th December 2024 at 10.00 a.m.

The House rose at 5.09 p.m.

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