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PARLIAMENT HAS ENACTED THE PUBLIC PROCUREMENT ACT 2015

The Parliament of Sierra Leone has enacted into law the Public Procurement Act, 2015 on Tuesday 03rd November with the aim of continuing the existence of the National Public Procurement Authority (NPPA); promotion of economic advancement; value for money; and decentralization of the procurement processes in the country.

The House had earlier debated the bill and committed it to the Legislative Committee for further scrutiny. The report of the said Committee was used in tandem with the National Public Procurement Authority (NPPA) Act to pass the Public Procurement Act, 2015 which now replaces the NPPA Act.

At the Committee stage, it was proposed by Hon. Dr. Bernadette Lahai and approved by the House that at least a woman or two should be included in the Board of Management of the NPPA.



Mr. Foday B.L Mansaray

However, the two motions that were moved by Hon. Brima Conteh and Hon. Sualiho Koroma respectively for the removal of “no objection notice clause”; and the insertion of a new clause 18 to give a force of law to the procurement directorate within the Ministry of Finance, were defeated by the majority votes.

The Minister of State, MoFED Mr. Foday B.L Mansaray piloted the bill before it was read the third time and passed into law with some amendments.