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PARLIAMENT DEBATES THE RAILWAY DEVELOPMENT REGULATORY ACT 2024

The Parliament of Sierra Leone has on Tuesday, 04/02/2025 debated the Bill entitled "The Sierra Leone Railway Development and Regulatory Act, 2024".

The Bill seeks to provide for the establishment of the Sierra Leone Railway Development and Regulatory Authority with the responsibility to develop and regulate Railway and cable car transportation in Sierra Leone, to monitor and co-ordinate activities in the Railway and cable cars sector, to administer enactments on Railway and cable car transportation and to provide for other related matters.

Presenting the Bill in the Chamber of Parliament, the Minister of Transport and Aviation, Ambassador Fanday Turay highlighted the importance of the bill and requested the House for its passage into law.

MPs who contributed to the Bill welcomed the initiative and highlighted the socio-economic development of the Bill when enacted into law.

Both Leaders of the House acknowledged the importance the Bill, and unanimously nodded for its enactment.

In light of its scrutiny, the Bill was submitted to the Legislative Committee for further consideration

In another development, the Parliament of Sierra Leone has also debated the Bill entitled the Professional Social Workers Regulatory Council Act 2025.

The Bill seeks to make provision for the establishment of the Professional Social Workers, Social Work Facilities, organisations and institutions in Sierra Leone, including licensing, regulation, and discipline and provide for other related matters

Presenting the Bill, the Minister of Social Welfare Melrose Karminty acknowledged the timeliness of the Bill and further pinpointed the importance of the contents of the bill. Members of Parliament in their contributions, appreciated the introduction of the bill.

After both the Leaders of the Opposition Hon. Abdul Kargbo and the Acting Leader of Government Business Hon. Emerson Lamina, had contributed immensely to the Bill, it was unanimously agreed by the House to commit the Bill to the Legislative Committee for further consideration.

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