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## PARLIAMENT PASSES THE ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND MIGRANT SMUGGLING ACT 2022

The Parliament of Sierra Leone has on Tuesday 26/4/2022 passed into law with some amendments the Bill entitled: "The Anti-Human Trafficking and Migrant Smuggling Act 2022.

The Bill is seeking to provide for the continuing the existence of the National Task Force on Human Trafficking, provide for the continuing the existence of a secretariat to assist the task force, provide for the prosecution of the offence of human trafficking, provide for the prosecution of the offence of migrant smuggling, to provide for economic alternatives to human trafficking or smuggling of persons and to provide for other related matters. Earlier MPs had deliberated extensively on the said Bill and spoke on measures aimed at curbing human trafficking.

The Minister of Social Welfare, Baindu Dassama-Kamara piloted the passage of the Bill into law.

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