



# FOURTH PARLIAMENT OF THE SECOND REPUBLIC OF SIERRA LEONE SECOND SESSION, 2013/2014 SECOND MEETING OF THE HOUSE VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

VP/4/2/11 THURSDAY 20TH FEBRUARY, 2014

# THE HOUSE MET AT 10:00 A.M.

# MR.SPEAKER IN THE CHAIR - HON. SHEKU B.B. DUMBUYA

I. ATTENDANCE:
The following Honourable Members of Parliament were present:
1. HON.ALIE JAMES N.
2. HON.BAH CHERNOR R.M.
3. HON.BAH IBRAHIM PATEH
4. HON.BANGURA BENNEH
5. HON.BANGURA IBRAHIM M.
6. HON.BANGURA MABINTY H.
7. HON.BRIG.BOYAH KOMBA E.S. RTD.
8. HON.BRAIMA MUSTAPHA M.
9. HON.BRAIMA SAMUEL H.
10. HON.BROWN PATRICIA
11. HON.BUNDU IBRAHIM R.
12. HON.BUNDU SONGOWA
13. HON.CONTEH BRIMAH
14. HON.CONTEH KARIFALA S.
15. HON.DABUNDEH AIAH DR.
16. HON.DUMBUYA ALHAJI S.
17. HON.EBBA TAMBA ENTOCHEMA
18. HON.FATORMA SAHR
19. HON.FAWUNDU DAUDA D.
20. HON.FAWUNDU SENESI
21 ΗΩΝ ΕΩΕΔΝΑ ΔΜΑΣΙΙ

- 22. HON.FOFANAH LEONARD S.
- 23. HON.FOYAH PATRICK
- 24. HON.FUNNA MABINTY
- 25. HON.HASSAN SHERIFF B.
- 26. HON.JABBI BU-BUAKEI DR.
- 27. HON.JAJUA ABU
- 28. HON.JENGO EDWARD S.
- 29. HON.JOHNSON DAVID
- 30. HON.JORKIE MOSES B.
- 31. HON.KABIA ISATA
- 32. HON.KABOMBOR II P.C. MANSA PAKI
- 33. HON.KAIKAI ANSUMANA JAIAH
- 34. HON.KAINPUMU II P.C. ALEX M.J.J.
- 35. HON.KAISAMBA FRANCIS A.
- 36. HON.KALOKO ABI
- 37. HON.KALOKO ALIE
- 38. HON.KALOKO BAI J.
- 39. HON.KAMARA ALBERT DEEN
- 40. HON.KAMARA ALHASSAN
- 41. HON.KAMARA ALHASSAN JERO
- 42. HON.KAMARA IBRAHIM
- 43. HON.KAMARA MOHAMED
- 44. HON.KAMARA NICHOLAS
- 45. HON.KAMARA SAIDU BABAH
- 46. HON.KANNEH ALUSINE
- 47. HON.KANU ABDUL SALAAM
- 48. HON.KANU AMADU MOHAMED
- 49. HON.KARGBO ALIMAMY G.
- 50. HON.KARGBO PATRICK L.M.
- 51. HON.KARGBO ROLAND FODAY DR.
- 52. HON.KEMOKAI LANSANA I.
- 53. HON.KOEDOYOMA KOMBA E.
- 54. HON.KONGOMOH II P.C. JOSEPH ALIE KAVURA
- 55. HON.KOROMA AARON ARUNA
- 56. HON.KOROMA ABU BAKARR
- 57. HON.KOROMA DANIEL B.
- 58. HON.KOROMA SUALIHO MONYABA
- 59. HON.KOWA EMMA J.
- 60. HON.KPOSOWA FRANK
- 61. HON.KUYEMBEH HELEN
- 62. HON.LAHAI BERNADETTE DR.
- 63. HON.LEWALLY ALPHA BABATUNDE
- 64. HON.MANLY-SPAIN AJIBOLA E.
- 65. HON.MANSARAY JUSUFU B.
- 66. HON. MANSARAY MOHAMED L.

- 67. HON.MANSARAY SAIDU
- 68. HON.MARAH III P.C. ALIE BALANSAMA
- 69. HON.MARAH ALUSINE
- 70. HON.MARAH REGINA
- 71. HON.MUNDA HABIB B.
- 72. HON.OSHO-WILLIAMS BLISS E.
- 73. HON.PEWA P.C. PRINCE MAMBU
- 74. HON.RADDAR HENNEH HASSAN
- 75. HON.ROGERS DICKSON M.
- 76. HON.SALAMY BOCKARIE N.
- 77. HON.SALLU-LUGBU II P.C. BAI BUREH
- 78. HON.SANGBAH SAAH
- 79. HON.SANKOH IBRAHIM NOX
- 80. HON.SANNOH SHEKU
- 81. HON.SESAY ABDULAI DR.
- 82. HON.SESAY DAN Y.
- 83. HON.SESAY HASSAN A.
- 84. HON.SESAY OSMAN SALLIEU
- 85. HON.SESAY VERONICA K.
- 86. HON.SHO-SAWYER MICHEL DR.
- 87. HON.SILIKIE BASHIRU
- 88. HON.SILLAH MABINTY K.
- 89. HON.SISAY SULAIMAN M.
- 90. HON.SMITH ROSALINE J.
- 91. HON.SONSIAMA III P.C. SHEKU A.T. FASULUKU
- 92. HON.CAPT.SOURIE FREDERICK S.RTD.
- 93. HON.SOBBA-STEPHENS MIMA Y.M.
- 94. HON.SUMAH FODAY I. DR.
- 95. HON.SWARAY MOSES A.
- 96. HON.TARAWALLY UMAR PARAN
- 97. HON.TENGBEH SAHR
- 98. HON.THOLLEY MOHAMED K.
- 99. HON.THOMAS SEGEPOH S.
- 100. HON.TORTO AUGUSTINE B.
- 101. HON.TUNIS SIDIE MOHAMED
- 102. HON.TURAY THOMAS M. DR.
- 103. HON.TURAY THOMAS B.
- 104. HON.YEK II P.C. ALHAJI BAI SHEBORA
- 105. HON.YOKIE FODAY RADO

#### The following Honourable Members of Parliament were absent:

- 1. HON.BOIMA IV P.C. PRINCE LAPPIA
- 2. HON.CONTEH KEMOKOH
- 3. HON.GBAPPY-BRIMA GLADYS GBEMOH

- 4. HON.KALLON DAUDA J.B.
- 5. HON.KAMARA KOMBOR
- 6. HON.KATTA ALFRED BRIMA
- 7. HON.KONUWA FRANCIS A.
- 8. HON.LUNGAY ANDREW V.
- 9. HON.MARAH LAHAI
- 10. HON.MBAYOH ROSKY M.
- 11. HON.MOMOH MOIWAI
- 12. HON.MUNU ALIEU BADDARA K.
- 13. HON.TARA-KOROMA TAWORO DR.

# The following Honourable Members of Parliament were absent with excuse:

- 1. HON.BANYA IV P.C. MOHAMED SAMA KAILONDO
- 2. HON.KAMANDA CLAUDE D.M.
- 3. HON.KEBBIE P.C. BRIMA VICTOR SIDI
- 4. HON.SANKA III P.C. BAI KURR KANAGBARO
- 5. HON.SESAY KUSAN

10:00 - 10:02 a.m.

**II. Prayers:** The Clerk of Legislative Committee, **Mr. Lamin Yansaneh** said the prayers.

10:02 - 10:05 a.m.

#### **III. AMENDMENT OF ORDER PAPER:**

**Hon. Ibrahim R. Bundu,** Majority Leader and Leader of Government Business amended the Order Paper as follows:

- a) replacement of the seconder on **item III**: Motion of the Committee on Appointments and the Public Service **Hon. Leonard S. Fofanah** replaced by **Hon. Chernor R.M. Bah.**
- b) Item V to be added to read thus:
  - V. Announcement for Representation to the ECOWAS Parliament.
- c) **Mr. Speaker**: To include on item III the following excerpts to read:

Be it Resolved:

That the second report of the second session and excerpts of the first report of the second session of the Committee on Appointments and the Public Service be adopted by the House and that the recommendations contained therein be approved.

The motion for the amendments of the Order Paper was unanimously accepted.

#### 10:05 - 10:10 a.m.

# IV. RECORD OF VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS FOR THE PARLIAMENTARY SITTINGS HELD ON FRIDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> AND TUESDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2014:

The motions to adopt the records of Votes and Proceedings of Friday 7<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February, 2014 were moved and seconded by the following Honourable Members respectively:

- 1. Hon. Rosaline J. Smith mover;
- 2. Hon. Abu B. Koroma seconder;
- 3. Hon. Alhaji S. Dumbuya mover;
- 4. Hon. Alimamy G. Kargbo seconder.

The motions were unanimously accepted by Members with some amendments.

#### 10:10 - 11:25 a.m.

# V. MOTION OF THE COMMITTEE ON APPOINTMENTS AND THE PUBLIC SERVICE:

Proposer: Hon. Ibrahim R. Bundu

Seconder: Hon. Chernor R.M. Bah

Be it Resolved:

That the Second Report of the Second Session and excerpts of the First Report of the Second Session of the Committee on Appointments and the Public Service, be adopted by the House and that the recommendations contained therein be approved.

The Chairman of the Committee on Appointments and the Public Service and Majority Leader of the House and Leader of Government Business, **Hon. Ibrahim R. Bundu** read the second report of the second Session and excerpts of the first report of the second session of the Committee on Appointments and the Public Service on the following Presidential nominees:

- Prof. Abdullah Mansaray Proposed Member of Council representing Njala University;
- Mr. Alhaji Olu Alghali Proposed Member of Council representing the Western Area;

3. **Dr. Lansana Nyalley** – Proposed Member of Council -

representing the Eastern Region;

4. **Mr. Ahmed Adarkwa Koroma** - Proposed Member of Council – representing the Northern Region;

5. **Mr. Sahr Kobio Foyoh** - Proposed Member of Council - representing Southern Region;

6. **Mr. Samuel Bomo Conteh** - Proposed Member of Council - representing Journalists.

The motion was seconded by Hon. Chernor R.M. Bah

The following Honourable Members contributed to the debate on the motion.

- 1. Hon. Jusufu B. Mansaray;
- 2. Hon. Mustapha M. Braima;
- 3. Hon. Alhaji S. Dumbuya;
- 4. Hon. Veronica K. Sesay;
- 5. Hon. Ajibola E. Manly-Spain;
- 6. Hon. Frank Kposowa;
- 7. Hon. Nicholas Kamara;
- 8. Hon. Dr. Bernadette Lahai;
- 9. Hon. Ibrahim R. Bundu.

The motion was unanimously ratified by Members.

## **CONGRATULATORY STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER:**

**Mr. Speaker** congratulated the Presidential nominees and on behalf of the entire Parliament wished them well in their endeavors. He further stated that knowledge is nothing until it does what it is supposed to do.

11:25 - 12:20 p.m.

#### VI. BILL:

THE PETROLEUM REGULATORY AGENCY ACT, 2014

SECOND READING, COMMITTEE STAGE AND THIRD READING:

Minister of Trade and Industry

# **Continued Debate:**

The Deputy Minister of Trade and Industry, **Mr. Alie B. Mansaray**, presented the Bill to Members of Parliament.

The following Honourable Members contributed to the debate during the second reading:

- 1. Hon.Mohamed Sidi Tunis;
- 2. Hon.Chernor R.M. Bah;
- 3. Hon. Dr. Bernadette Lahai;

#### 12: NOON.

# VII. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDER (S.O.) 5(2) AT 12 NOON:

Standing Order (S.O.) 5(2) was invoked, moved by **Hon. Songowa Bundu**, but **Mr. Speaker's** ruling was that Members should proceed for lunch after the response from the Minister.

## **Continued Debate:**

4. Hon. Ibrahim R. Bundu.

The Deputy Minister of Trade and Industry, **Mr. Alie Badara Mansaray** Responded to some issues raised by Members.

12:20 - 1:45 p.m.

THE HOUSE ROSE FOR LUNCH AT 12:20 P.M. AND RESUMED AT 1:45 P.M.

1:45 - 3:00 p.m.

MR. SPEAKER IN THE CHAIR - HON. CHERNOR R.M. BAH.

## **COMMITTEE STAGE:**

The Bill went through the Committee of the whole House with the following amendments:

#### **AMENDMENTS:**

1. The date on the short title of the bill was amended to read: "THE PETROLEUM REGULATORY AGENCY ACT, 2014".

# PART II, Clause 3, Sub clause 1: To read -

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- i. A member from the Ministry of Trade and Industry, not below the position of Director;
- ii. A member from the Ministry of Finance and Economic Development, not below the position of Director;

- iii. A representative from the Consumer Protection Unit;
- iv. Three (3) members from the General Public, considering gender equity.

Acting on the advice of the Minister and the approval of Parliament.

**PART III, Clause 12 (1):** to insert the word 'standard' after the word reasonable to read:

'The object for which the Agency is established is to license and regulate the importation, refining, storage, transportation and distribution of petroleum and petroleum products, so as to ensure their regular supply to users at reasonable standard prices, and the efficient administration and enforcement of the enactments relating to petroleum'.

**PART III, Clause 13, sub clause 5:** to replace the word 'exceeding' with 'not less than'; replace 'five' with 'fifty', and replace 'twelve' with 'twenty four' to read:

... commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine not less than fifty million leones, or to imprisonment for a term not less than twenty four months or to both the fine and imprisonment.

**PART III, Clause 14, sub clause 3:** to replace the word 'exceeding' with 'not less than'; replace 'ten' with 'fifty', and replace 'twelve' with 'twenty four' to read:

... commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine not less than fifty million leones, or to imprisonment for a term not less than twenty four months or to both the fine and imprisonment.

**PART VI, Clause 31 (1):** to replace the word 'exceeding' with 'not less than'; replace 'five' and with 'fifty', and replace 'exceeding' with 'not less than' to read:

Any person who is guilty of an offence under any rule made under this Act, shall, on conviction, be liable to a fine not less than fifty million leones or to imprisonment for a term not less than five years or to both the fine and imprisonment; and in the case of a continuining offence, to a further fine of fifty thousand leones for each day on which the offence continues.

#### THIRD READING AND PASSAGE INTO LAW:

The Bill entitled **THE PETROLEUM REGULATORY AGENCY ACT, 2014** was read the third time and unanimously passed into law.

3:00 P.M.

# VIII. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDER (S.O.) 5(2) AT 3:00 P.M.:

**Hon. Songowa Bundu,** moved for the suspension of S.O. 5(2), seconded by **Hon. Amadu Fofanah** and unanimously accepted by Members.

3:00 - 3:25 p.m.

# IX. ANNOUNCEMENT FOR REPRESENTATION TO THE ECOWAS PARLIAMENT:

**Hon. Ibrahim R. Bundu** moved the motion for the nomination of **Hon. Brimah Conteh** as Member of the ECOWAS Parliament, seconded by **Hon. Sulaiman M. Sisay.** 

Hon. Foday Rado Yokie - S.O. 34 (1), point of Order

#### MR. SPEAKER'S INTERVENTION:

**Mr. Speaker** read out three letters on the issue raised by **Hon. Foday Rado Yokie** which were dated 11<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2013,respectively.

**Hon. Ibrahim R. Bundu** - S.O. 34, moved for the replacement of **Hon. Foday Rado Yokie** by **Hon.Brimah Conteh** as Member of the ECOWAS Parliament. It was seconded by **Hon. Sulaiman M. Sisay.** 

#### **COUNTER MOTION:**

**Hon. Emma Kowa** - S.O. 26, for an interruption on the motion moved by **Hon. Ibrahim R. Bundu**, seconded by **Hon. Umar Paran Tarawally**.

**Hon. Dr. Bernadette Lahai** - counter motion, to the motion moved by **Hon. Emma Kowa** for the passage of the motion moved by **Hon. Ibrahim R. Bundu,** seconded by **Hon. Sualiho M. Koroma**.

The counter motion of Hon. Dr. Bernadette Lahai to proceed on the motion for nominating **Hon. Brimah Conteh** was unanimously accepted by Members.

The motion by Hon. Ibrahim R. Bundu; Leader of the House and Leader of Government Business, on the announcement for representation to ECOWAS Parliament was unanimously accepted by Members.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE CLERK OF LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE, MR. LAMIN YANSANEH:

The following Committees were requested to meet immediately after sitting:

- 1. Information and Communication Committee in Committee Room 1;
- 2. Committee on Lands and the Environment;
- 3. Education Committee at the New Administrative Building;
- 4. Committee on Foreign Affairs and International in Committee Room 1;
- 5. Parliamentary Female Caucus at the New Administrative Building;
- That there will be a Workshop for Members of Parliament, Directors and Committee Clerks on ACP-EU relationship and general procedures and regulations of the European Development Fund (EDF), on Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> February, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. in Committee Room 1;
- 8. That S.L.P.P. Members were to meet at the Party Office, at 3:00 p.m.

# X. ADJOURNMENT:

**Mr. Speaker** adjourned the House to Tuesday,25<sup>th</sup> February, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.

3:25 p.m.

THE HOUSE ROSE AT 3:25 P.M.

Sitting Duration: 5Hrs.25Mins