



**SIXTH PARLIAMENT  
OF THE SECOND REPUBLIC OF SIERRA LEONE  
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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE FORTIETH SITTING**



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**TUESDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2024**

**The House Met at 10:00a.m.  
The Acting Segepoh, Hon. Ibrahim Tawa Conteh, Presided.**

**I. Attendance:**

THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT WERE PRESENT:			
NO	NAME	PARTY	DISTRICT
1.	Hon. Abdulai Charles Osman	SLPP	Bo
2.	Hon. Amara Haja Miatta	APC	Western Area Rural
3.	Hon. Aruna Massay Ngahiteh	SLPP	Bo
4.	Hon. Bah Alpha Amadu	APC	Western Area Urban
5.	Hon. Bah Zinab	APC	Western Area Rural
6.	Hon. Bangura Abdul Karim	SLPP	Karene
7.	Hon. Bangura Adama	SLPP	Kambia
8.	Hon. Bangura Cecilia Mabinty	APC	Karene
9.	Hon. Bangura Daniel Amadu	APC	Tonkolili
10.	Hon. Bangura Mohamed	APC	Karene
11.	Hon. Bangura Rose - Marie	APC	Tonkolili
12.	Hon. Banya Sarty	SLPP	Kailahun
13.	Hon. Bayoh Alie	SLPP	Kenema
14.	Hon. Bockarie Bintu Fatmata	SLPP	Bonthe
15.	Hon. Boima Sylvester Arnold Maxwell (Rtd. Capt.)	SLPP	Moyamba
16.	Hon. Conteh Adama	APC	Western Area Urban
17.	Hon. Conteh Hawa	APC	Koinadugu
18.	Hon. Conteh Ibrahim Tawa	SLPP	Western Area Urban
19.	Hon. Conteh John Charles	APC	Bombali
20.	Hon. Conteh Mohamed	APC	Bombali
21.	Hon. Conteh Paul Samba	APC	Bombali
22.	Hon. Daramy Princess Kadie	SLPP	Western Area Urban
23.	Hon. Dauda Idris Moiwei	SLPP	Bonthe
24.	Hon. Fabbah Habib Keifa	SLPP	Bo
25.	Hon. Fatorma Juliana Aliematu	SLPP	Kenema
26.	Hon. Fofanah Musa	SLPP	Kono
27.	Hon. Fornah Daniel	APC	Tonkolili
28.	Hon. Forna Mabinty	APC	Tonkolili
29.	Hon. Gbreh III P.C Bai Shebora Sheba	P.C	Port Loko
30.	Hon. Gevao Hindolo Moiwo	SLPP	Kailahun
31.	Hon. Goba Mariama Ella	SLPP	Kenema
32.	Hon. Jabbie Alpha Fodie Madie	SLPP	Falaba



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33.	Hon. Jalloh Memunatu	APC	Port Loko
34.	Hon. Jalloh Osman Wurie	SLPP	Western Area Rural
35.	Hon. Kabba Ibrahim	SLPP	Western Area Rural
36.	Hon. Kaisamba Francis Amara	SLPP	Kenema
37.	Hon. Kallon Hawa	SLPP	Pujehun
38.	Hon. Kamara Abdulai A.	APC	Western Area Urban
39.	Hon. Kamara Abdul Karim	APC	Kambia
40.	Hon. Kamara Alusine Bash	APC	Karene
41.	Hon. Kamara Mahmoud	APC	Western Area Urban
42.	Hon. Kamara Marie	APC	Bombali
43.	Hon. Kamara Rebecca Yei	SLPP	Kono
44.	Hon. Kamara Rugiatu	APC	Tonkolili
45.	Hon. Kanbgai Beatrice Maaya	SLPP	Bo
46.	Hon. Kanneh P. C. Alameen	-	Kenema
47.	Hon. Kanneh Mohamed	SLPP	Kailahun
48.	Hon. Kanu Abdulai Karim	SLPP	Port Loko
49.	Hon. Kanu Rugiatu Rosy	APC	Western Area Urban
50.	Hon. Kargbo Abdul	APC	Port Loko
51.	Hon. Kargbo Amara Momoh	SLPP	Western Area Rural
52.	Hon. Kargbo John Sartty	APC	Western Area Rural
53.	Hon. Kargbo Mohamed Sheriff	APC	Karene
54.	Hon. Kargobai P.C Desmond Mahayei	-	Bo
55.	Hon. Keiha III P.C Kandeh Baba	-	Bombali
56.	Hon. Kellie Lucinda Finda	APC	Kono
57.	Hon. Kellie Tamba	APC	Kono
58.	Hon. Koroma Daniel Brima	APC	Koinadugu
59.	Hon. Koroma Ernest Dura	APC	Kambia
60.	Hon. Koroma Ibrahim	SLPP	Kenema
61.	Hon. Koroma Meama Kajue P.C Haja Fatmata Bintu	-	Moyamba
62.	Hon. Koroma Peter Yamba	APC	Bombali
63.	Hon. Koroma Unpha Sorie Gbessay	APC	Western Area Urban
64.	Hon. Lahai Musa	SLPP	Kailahun
65.	Hon. Lamina Saa Emerson	SLPP	Kono
66.	Hon. Langley Beatrice Iyamide	SLPP	Western Area Rural
67.	Hon. Lansana P.C Bio Prince	-	Bonthe
68.	Hon. Larkoh Aruna Papay	APC	Tonkolili
69.	Hon. Lebbie Nenneh	SLPP	Bo
70.	Hon. Lebby Ambrose Maada	SLPP	Bo
71.	Hon. Mackery Yusuf	SLPP	Bo
72.	Hon. Mansaray Alpha Ben	APC	Moyamba



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73.	Hon. Mansaray Konkofa Farah	SLPP	Koinadugu
74.	Hon. Marrah III P.C Alie Balan Sama	-	Koinadugu
75.	Hon. Marrah III P.C Thor Thor Sheku Terenah Tongos Neya Konkoroba Fanko Lai	-	Falaba
76.	Hon. Moijueh Jibrila Sur	SLPP	Bonthe
77.	Hon. Momodu Sahr Koutu	SLPP	Kono
78.	Hon. Moriba Amie Nyava	SLPP	Bo
79.	Hon. Ngbak IV P.C Bai Farama Tass Bubu	-	Kambia
80.	Hon. Nyuma Mathew Sahr	SLPP	Kenema
81.	Hon. Pyne Umu	SLPP	Moyamba
82.	Hon. Quee Komba	SLPP	Kono
83.	Hon. Rogers Alex Mattia	SLPP	Pujehun
84.	Hon. Rogers Dickson Momoh	SLPP	Pujehun
85.	Hon. Sandy Alice Kornya	SLPP	Kenema
86.	Hon. Sankoh – Yillah Ishmael	SLPP	Port Loko
87.	Hon. Sesay Abdul Latiff	APC	Port Loko
88.	Hon. Sesay Aminata	APC	Port Loko
89.	Hon. Sesay Jawah	APC	Tonkolili
90.	Hon. Sesay Sallieu Osman	APC	Bombali
91.	Hon. Sesay Veronica Kadie	SLPP	Moyamba
92.	Hon. Shaw Mohamed Billoh	SLPP	Falaba
93.	Hon. Siafa Rosaline Hawa	SLPP	Kailahun
94.	Hon. Silikie Bashiru	SLPP	Bo
95.	Hon. Soukenah Fatmata Sarah	SLPP	Western Area Urban
96.	Hon. Taylor-Bangura Mabinty Alice	APC	Kambia
97.	Hon. Tamu P . C. Saffa Monya	-	Pujehun
98.	Hon. Tarawally Cathrine Zainab	APC	Bombali
99.	Hon. Tengbeh Fallah Kenawah	SLPP	Kailahun
100.	Hon. Tholley Foyoh	SLPP	Tonkolili
101.	Hon. Tongi Emilia Lolloh	SLPP	Kailahun
102.	Hon. Tucker Tom Issic	APC	Kono
103.	Hon. Vandy Christopha Kekura	SLPP	Bo
104.	Hon. Zombo Mariama Munia	SLPP	Pujehun
<b>THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT WERE ABSENT:</b>			
1.	Hon. Bockarie Momoh	SLPP	Kenema
2.	Hon. Edwin Moses A.	SLPP	Bonthe
3.	Hon. Fofanah Mohamed Tawallie	SLPP	Kambia
4.	Hon. George Edward	SLPP	Moyamba
5.	Hon. Gondor II P.C. Foray Cyril	-	Kailahun
6.	Hon. Johnny Tamba Simeon	SLPP	Kono



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7.	Hon. Johnson Margaret Feimata	SLPP	Kailahun
8.	Hon. Kamara Abdul Karim	APC	Port Loko
9.	Hon. Kamara Idriss Sahid	SLPP	Western Area Urban
10.	Hon. Kamara Mohamed Sheridan	APC	Kambia
11.	Hon. Kanu Ahmed Joseph	SLPP	Western Area Rural
12.	Hon. Kargbo Sheikh Santigie Ibrahim	SLPP	Port Loko
13.	Hon. Kawaleh II P.C Kandeh Paria	-	Karene
14.	Hon. Kemokai Abu	SLPP	Pujehun
15.	Hon. Mansaray Brima	SLPP	Kenema
16.	Hon. Mansaray Hamidu Holla	APC	Koinadugu
17.	Hon. Rahman – Coker Mohamed Sheriff	SLPP	Western Area Urban
18.	Hon. Salia – Konneh Quintin	SLPP	Kailahun
19.	Hon. Sama Shiaka Musa	SLPP	Pujehun
20.	Hon. Saquee V P.C Paul Ngaba	-	Kono
21.	Hon. Tarawalli-Mussaffa Rugiatu	SLPP	Kenema
22.	Hon. Thompson Alfred Ayodele	APC	Western Area Urban
23.	Hon. Tommy Sia Mahawa Habiamia	SLPP	Kono
24.	Hon. Turay Benjamin	SLPP	Western Area Urban

**THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT WERE ABSENT WITH AN EXCUSE:**

1.	Hon. Bangura Ibrahim Aziz	APC	Port Loko
2.	Hon. Bangura Mariama	APC	Western Area Urban
3.	Hon. Bangura Mohamed Papa	APC	Bombali
4.	Hon. Barrie Ibrahim	APC	Bombali
5.	Hon. Conteh Kemokoh	APC	Western Area Rural
6.	Hon. Fofanah Abu Bakarr	APC	Western Area Rural
7.	Hon. Jalloh Mohamed Alpha	APC	Bombali
8.	Hon. Kamara Joseph Abdul Bash	SLPP	Bo
9.	Hon. Koroma Aaron Aruna	APC	Tonkolili
10.	Hon. Kumabeh Alice Jebbeh	SLPP	Bonthe
11.	Hon. Marray – Conteh Abdul Sulaiman	SLPP	Western Area Urban
12.	Hon. Moigua Musa Peter	SLPP	Kenema
13.	Hon. Munda Boston	SLPP	Kenema
14.	Hon. Sellu Mustapha Musa	SLPP	Moyamba
15.	Hon. Sesay Pessima Mariatu Racheal	SLPP	Port Loko
16.	Hon. Songa Bernadette Wuyatta	SLPP	Kailahun
17.	Hon. Timbo Osman Abdal	APC	Western Area Urban
18.	Hon. Tunis Sidie Mohamed	SLPP	Pujehun
19.	Hon. Turay Alhaji Sorieba	APC	Tonkolili
20.	Hon. Williams – Lamin Joseph	SLPP	Bo



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**Pronouncement of Quorum at 10:18 a m:**

The Acting Clerk of Parliament, **Mr. Gilbert Bosco N'habay**, made the following pronouncement as quoted: **"Mr. Speaker, Hon. Members. Pursuant to Section 89 of the Constitution of Sierra Leone 1991 (Act No. 6 of 1991) in tandem with S.O. 7(1) of the Standing Orders of Parliament, this House has formed a quorum to commence its proceedings."**

- 1. Prayers were read by Mr. Alimamy Lincoln Bangura (Table Clerk).**
- 2. Suspension of Standing Order 5 (2):**  
The motion for the suspension of S O 5 (2) at 10:18 am was moved by **Hon. Veronica Kadie Sesay from Moyamba District**. The motion was seconded by **Hon. Rugiatu Rosy Kanu from Western Urban District** and approved by the House.
- 3. Adoption of the Record of Votes and Proceedings for Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> March, 2025:**  
The motion for the adoption of the Record of Votes and Proceedings for Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2025 was moved by **Hon. Mohamed Kanneh from Kailahun District**. It was seconded by **Hon. Fallah Kenawah Tengbeh from Kailahun District** and adopted by House.
- 4. Bill: The state-Owned Enterprises and Governance Act, 2025 by the Minister of Finance**

The Table Clerk, **Ms. Kema Sam Kpakra**, called upon the Minister of Finance to proceed with the Introduction and First reading of the bill.

**Introduction and First Reading:**

The Deputy Minister II of Finance (**Mr. Bockarie Kalokoh**) moved that the bill entitled: **"The State-Owned Enterprises and Governance Act, 2025"** be read the First Time.

**Mr. Speaker put the question for vote as quoted:**

**"All those in favour, say Aye."**

**"All those against, say Nay."**

**Through collection of voices, Mr. Speaker declared that the Ayes had it.**

The Table Clerk, **Ms. Kema Sam Kpakra**, pronounced that the bill entitled: **"The State-Owned Enterprises and Governance Act, 2025"** had been read the **First Time**.

The Table Clerk, **Ms. Kema Sama Kpakra**, called upon **The Minister of Finance** to proceed with the Second Reading of the Bill.





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**Second Reading:**

The Deputy Minister II of Finance (**Mr. Bockarie Kalokoh**) moved that the bill entitled: “**The State-Owned Enterprises and Governance Act, 2025**” be read the Second Time. He presented the objects and reasons of the bill to the House and again moved that the bill be read the Second Time.

**Mr. Speaker’s Statement:**

Mr. Speaker drew the attention of the House to the failed performance of State Owned Enterprises (SOEs). He made mention of the Covid 19-donor disbursement to SOEs like the Sierra Leone Postal Services (SLPS), the Sierra Leone Road Transport Corporation (SLRTC) and others. He noted that the said disbursement by the ministry of finance to the various SOEs was done without recouring to Parliament, and that subsection 3 of Section 118 of the 1991 Constitution of Sierra Leone was not respected. He observed that those loans as mentioned in the minister’s submission were still unpaid for as noted in the Audit’s Report, and that the ministry of finance had not made any effort to collect those outstanding loans as those loans had been long overdue.

From the minister’s submission, Mr. Speaker deduced that Parliament had been clearly indicted by the minister that SOEs created by Parliament through bills or acts signed by the President had the responsibility to present their financial and other reports to Parliament annually. He urged Members of Parliament to do more through their Oversight Committees as that would set the bar high.

He drew the attention of Members of Parliament to Part XII of clause 49 of the Bill entitled: “**The State-Owned Enterprises and Governance Act, 2025**” that sought to repeal the National Commission For Privatization. He finally reminded Members about several sections in the Public Financial Management Act and the Public Financial Management Regulations that gave power to the National Commission for Privatization (NCP) as the single direct share right for and on behalf of Government of Sierra Leone.

**Mr. Speaker proposed the question for debate.**

**The following Hon. Members spoke to the debate:**

No.	Names of Honourable Members	Party	District
1.	Hon. Francis Amara Kaisamba	SLPP	Kenema
2.	Hon. Catherine Zainab Tarawally	APC	Bombali
3	Hon. Fallah K. Tengbeh	SLPP	Kailahun
4	Hon. Abdul Karim Kamara	APC	Kambia
5	Hon. Daniel Brima Koroma – Acting Minority Leader	APC	Koinadugu
6	Hon. Saa Emerson Lamina – Acting Majority Leader	SLPP	Kono



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The Deputy Minister II of Finance (**Mr. Bockarie Kalokoh**) responded to the issues raised by Hon. Members and further moved that the Bill be read the Second Time.

**5. Suspension of Standing Order 5 (2) at 12 Noon:**

The motion for the suspension of S O 5 (2) at 12 noon was moved by **Hon. Veronica Kadie Sesay** from **Moyamba District** for the proceedings to continue during lunch. The motion was seconded by **Hon. Nenneh Lebbie** from **Bo District** and approved by the House.

**Proceedings Continued:**

**Mr. Speaker put the question for vote as quoted:**

**"All those in favour, say Aye."**

**"All those against, say Nay."**

**Through collection of voices, Mr. Speaker declared that the Ayes had it.**

The Table Clerk, **Ms. Kema Sam Kpakra** pronounced that the bill entitled: "**The State-Owned Enterprises and Governance Act, 2025**" had been read the **Second Time**.

**Standing Order 51 - (Committal of Bills):**

The Acting Leader of Government Business (**Hon. Saa Emerson Lamina from Kono District**) rose on SO 51 (1) and moved a motion for the said bill to be committed to the Legislative Committee for further scrutiny. The motion was seconded by **Hon. Daniel B. Koroma from Koinadugu District** and approved by the House.

**6. Standing Order 23 – (Personal Explanations):**

**The following Honourable Members rose on S O 23:**

- (1) Hon. Abdul Karim Kamara from Kambia District** stood on S O 23 and informed the House that the West Africa Examination Council (WAEC) had said that they would not conduct the WASSCE 2024/2025 on the new syllabi upon which applicants for the said WASSCE had been taught for the past three (3) years. He noted that those WASSCE kids would be taking the West Africa Senior School Certificate Examinations (WASSCE) on the old syllabi instead of the new syllabi which they had not prepared for. He then reminded the House that said the said matter was brought about five (5) months ago to prevent such issue from happening. He further observed that schools were suffering, and a great number of kids for the third term in a year would not take WASSCE, and that the most painful part of it all was that the Government of Sierra Leone would have to pay for those kids every year.



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Lastly, he informed the House that when he was going through the list of schools that would not be taking the WASSCE 2024/2025, he (to his dismay) found out that Services was one of them, and that most of the schools were in the western area. He pleaded with Mr. Speaker to invite the Minister of Basic and Secondary School Education (MBSSE) to come and explain to the House the reasons why those issues were still happening. He emphasized that the noted explanation by the said Minister should take place in the plenary and not in any committee room because the public would like to know as well.

- (2) Hon. Mahmoud Kamara from Western Urban District** rose on SO 23 and brought to the attention of the House of a particular filling station named Zaala at around Grafton-Regent Highway that had been selling its fuel product at NLe 26 per liter at a much cheaper rate than other filling stations across the country. He pleaded with Mr. Speaker through his good office to call upon the Minister of Trade and Industry to give answers to the question that if Zaala Filling Station had been selling its fuel product at a much cheaper rate but still making profit, why not other filling stations did the same. He urged that if Zaala Filling Station had been selling below the Government pump price but still making profit, all filling stations across the country should sell likewise.
- (3) Hon. Rosaline Hawa Siafa from Kailahun District** stood on S O 23 and informed the house about the increment in the price of laissez passe which had been troubling the business people. She noted that the price at first was NLe100, but it had been suddenly increased to NLe 550 and much more expensive than the ECOWAS Identification card that costs NLe240. She informed the House that the said information was brought to her notice by some women at Gendema as she was passing through Liberia, and that she was asked by the said business women to explain their plight to the Government and plead for the cost of the laissez passe to be reduced as the expensive nature of the laissez passe had been affecting their businesses. The Hon. Member noted that The ECOWAS Identification Card was much cheaper and could be used to travel all over ECOWAS members' states while the laissez passe was much more expensive but limited.

**MR. Speaker's Response:**

The Speaker, **Hon. Ibrahim Tawa Conteh**, noted that the increment was part of the price schedule in the 2025 Finance Act. He stated that the said reason for the price increment was to encourage all ECOWAS country members to take the ECOWAS Identification card which was much cheaper to laissez passe. He observed that with the ECOWAS identification card, one would be able to access ECOWAS members' states with ease countries. He further stated that the ECOWAS Commission had been trying to discourage the use of laissez passe, and that the only way it would achieve that was by increasing the price of laissez passe. He thereby encouraged the business people to take the ECOWAS Identification cards so that they would benefit by enjoy the free movement across ECOWAS members' states with much cheaper cost.





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**Hon. Abdul Karim Kamara from Kambia District** as a rejoinder to the submission made by **Hon. Rosaline Hawa Siafa** expressed his frustrations about the challenges and constraints that people in the provincial area faced to have access to national identification card (ID CARD) or Laissez Passe. He suggested that the Government of Sierra Leone should decentralize offices of the National Civil Registration Authority (NCRA) at chiefdom level so that people in those provincial areas would have easy access to those documents.

**8. Adjournment:**

**Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to Thursday 27<sup>TH</sup> March, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.  
The House rose at 12:30 p.m.**