



**SIXTH PARLIAMENT
OF THE SECOND REPUBLIC OF SIERRA LEONE
FIRST SESSION, 2023/2024
FIRST MEETING OF PARLIAMENT
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE FORTY-SEVENTH SITTING**



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THURSDAY 25TH APRIL, 2024

**The House Met at 10:05a.m.
The Acting Speaker, Hon. Segepoh Solomon Thomas, 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. Bangura Abdul Karim	SLPP	Karene
4.	Hon. Bangura Adama	SLPP	Kambia
5.	Hon. Bangura Cecilia Mabinty	APC	Karene
6.	Hon. Bangura Daniel Amadu	APC	Tonkolili
7.	Hon. Bangura Ibrahim Aziz	APC	Port Loko
8.	Hon. Bangura Mariama	APC	Western Area Urban
9.	Hon. Bangura Mohamed	APC	Karene
10.	Hon. Bangura Mohamed Papa	APC	Bombali
11.	Hon. Banya Sarty	SLPP	Kailahun
12.	Hon. Barrie Ibrahim	APC	Bombali
13.	Hon. Bayoh Alie	SLPP	Kenema
14.	Hon. Boima Sylvester Arnold Maxwell (Rtd. Capt.)	SLPP	Moyamba
15.	Hon. Conteh Ibrahim Tawa	SLPP	Western Area Urban
16.	Hon. Conteh John Charles	APC	Bombali
17.	Hon. Conteh Kemokoh	APC	Western Area Rural
18.	Hon. Conteh Mohamed	APC	Falaba
19.	Hon. Conteh Paul Samba	APC	Bombali
20.	Hon. Daramy Princess Kadie	SLPP	Western Area Urban
21.	Hon. Dauda Idris Moiwai	SLPP	Bonthe
22.	Hon. Fatorma Juliana Aliematu	SLPP	Kenema
23.	Hon. Fofanah Musa	SLPP	Kono
24.	Hon. Fornah Daniel	APC	Tonkolili
25.	Hon. Gberah III P.C Bai Shebora Sheba	-	Port Loko
26.	Hon. George Edward	SLPP	Moyamba
27.	Hon. Gondon II P. C. Foray Cyril	-	Kailahun
28.	Hon. Jabbie Alpha Fodie Madie	SLPP	Falaba
29.	Hon. Jalloh Memunatu	APC	Port Loko
30.	Hon. Jalloh Mohamed Alpha	APC	Falaba



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31.	Hon. Kabba Ibrahim	SLPP	Western Area Rural
32.	Hon. Kallon Hawa	SLPP	Pujehun
33.	Hon. Kamara Abdulai A.	APC	Western Area Urban
34.	Hon. Kamara Abdul Karim	APC	Kambia
35.	Hon. Kamara Alusine Bash	APC	Karene
36.	Hon. Kamara Idriss Sahid	SLPP	Western Area Urban
37.	Hon. Kamara Joseph Abdul Bash	SLPP	Bo
38.	Hon. Kamara Mamoud	APC	Western Area Urban
39.	Hon. Kamara Marie	APC	Bombali
40.	Hon. Kamara Rebecca Yei	SLPP	Kono
41.	Hon. Kamara Rugiatu	APC	Tonkolili
42.	Hon. Kanamanka III P.C Alhaji Masakama	-	Tonkolili
43.	Hon. Kangbai Beatrice Maaya	SLPP	Bo
44.	Hon. Kargbo Amara Momoh	SLPP	Western Area Rural
45.	Hon. Kargbo John Sartty	APC	Western Area Rural
46.	Hon. Kargbo Mohamed Sheriff	APC	Karene
47.	Hon. Kargbo Sheikh Santigie Ibrahim	SLPP	Port Loko
48.	Hon. Kanneh Mohamed	SLPP	Kailahun
49.	Hon. Kanu Abdulai Karim	SLPP	Port Loko
50.	Hon. Kanu Ahmed Joseph	SLPP	Western Area Rural
51.	Hon. Kanu Rugiatu Rosy	APC	Western Area Urban
52.	Hon. Keiha III P.C Kandeh Baba	-	Bombali
53.	Hon. Kellie Lucinda Finda	APC	Kono
54.	Hon. Kellie Tamba	APC	Kono
55.	Hon. Koroma Aaron Aruna	APC	Tonkolili
56.	Hon. Koroma Daniel Brima	APC	Koinadugu
57.	Hon. Koroma Ernest Dura	APC	Kambia
58.	Hon. Koroma Meama Kajue P.C Haja Fatmata Bintu	-	Moyamba
59.	Hon. Koroma Peter Yamba	APC	Bombali
60.	Hon. Koroma Unpha Sorie Gbessay	APC	Western Area Urban
61.	Hon. Kumabeh Alice Jebbeh	SLPP	Bonthe
62.	Hon. Lamina Saa Emerson	SLPP	Kono
63.	Hon. Langley Beatrice Iyamide	SLPP	Western Area Rural
64.	Hon. Lansana P.C Bio Prince	-	Bonthe
65.	Hon. Larkoh Aruna Papay	APC	Tonkolili
66.	Hon. Marrah III P.C Alie Balasama	-	Koinadugu
67.	Hon. Marrah III P.C Thor Thor Sheku Terenah Tongos Neya Konkoroba Fanko Lai	-	Falaba
68.	Hon. Marray – Conteh Abdul Sulaiman	SLPP	Western Area Urban
69.	Hon. Moigua Musa Peter	SLPP	Kenema



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70.	Hon. Momodu Sahr Koutu	SLPP	Kono
71.	Hon. Moriba Amie Nyava	SLPP	Bo
72.	Hon. Ngbak IV P.C Bai Farama Tass Bubu	-	Kambia
73.	Hon. Nyuma Mathew Sahr	SLPP	Kenema
74.	Hon. Pyne Umu	SLPP	Moyamba
75.	Hon. Quee Komba	SLPP	Kono
76.	Hon. Salia – Konneh Quintin	SLPP	Kailahun
77.	Hon. Sankoh – Yillah Ishmael	SLPP	Port Loko
78.	Hon. Saquee V P.C Paul Ngaba	-	Kono
79.	Hon. Sellu Mustapha Musa	SLPP	Moyamba
80.	Hon. Sesay Abdul Latiff	APC	Port Loko
81.	Hon. Sesay Aminata	APC	Port Loko
82.	Hon. Sesay Jawah	APC	Tonkolili
83.	Hon. Sesay Pessima Mariatu Racheal	SLPP	Port Loko
84.	Hon. Sesay Sallieu Osman	APC	Bombali
85.	Hon. Sesay Veronica Kadie	SLPP	Moyamba
86.	Hon. Shaw Mohamed Billoh	SLPP	Falaba
87.	Hon. Siafa Rosaline Hawa	SLPP	Kailahun
88.	Hon. Silikie Bashiru	SLPP	Bo
89.	Hon. Soukenah Fatmata Sarah	SLPP	Western Area Urban
90.	Hon. Taylor-Bangura Mabinty Alice	APC	Kambia
91.	Hon. Tengbeh Fallah Kenawah	SLPP	Kailahun
92.	Hon. Tholley Foyoh	SLPP	Tonkolili
93.	Hon. Thomas Segepoh Solomon	SLPP	Bonthe
94.	Hon. Timbo Osman Abdal	APC	Western Area Urban
95.	Hon. Timbo Zinab	APC	Western Area Rural
96.	Hon. Tongi Emilia Lolloh	SLPP	Kailahun
97.	Hon. Tucker Tom Issic	APC	Kono
98.	Hon. Vandy Christopha Kekura	SLPP	Bo
99.	Hon. Williams – Lamin Joseph	SLPP	Bo
100.	Hon. Zombo Mariama Munia	SLPP	Pujehun

THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT WERE ABSENT:

1.	Hon. Aruna Massay Ngahiteh	SLPP	Bo
2.	Hon. Bangura Rose - Marie	APC	Tonkolili
3.	Hon. Bockarie Bintu Fatmata	SLPP	Bonthe
4.	Hon. Bockarie Momoh	SLPP	Kenema
5.	Hon. Conteh Adama	APC	Western Area Urban
6.	Hon. Conteh Hawa	APC	Koinadugu
7.	Hon. Fabbah Habib Keifa	SLPP	Bo
8.	Hon. Fofanah Mohamed Tawallie	SLPP	Kambia



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9.	Hon. Gevao Hindolo Moiwo	SLPP	Kailahun
10.	Hon. Goba Mariama Ella	SLPP	Kenema
11.	Hon. Johnson Margaret Feimata	SLPP	Kailahun
12.	Hon. Johnny Tamba Simeon	SLPP	Kono
13.	Hon. Kamara Mohamed Sheridan	APC	Kambia
14.	Hon. Kargobai P.C Desmond Mahayei	-	Bo
15.	Hon. Kawaleh II P.C Kandeh Paria	-	Karene
16.	Hon. Kemokai Abu	SLPP	Pujehun
17.	Hon. Koroma Ibrahim	SLPP	Kenema
18.	Hon. Lahai Musa	SLPP	Kailahun
19.	Hon. Lebby Ambrose Maada	SLPP	Bo
20.	Hon. Mansaray Alpha Ben	APC	Moyamba
21.	Hon. Mansaray Brima	SLPP	Kenema
22.	Hon. Mansaray Hamidu Holla	APC	Koinadugu
23.	Hon. Mansaray Konkofa Farah	SLPP	Koinadugu
24.	Hon. Munda Boston	SLPP	Kenem
25.	Hon. Rahman – Coker Mohamed Sherif	SLPP	Western Area Urban
26.	Hon. Rogers Alex Mattia	SLPP	Pujehun
27.	Hon. Sandy Alice Kornya	SLPP	Kenema
28.	Hon. Songa Wuyatta Bernadette	SLPP	Kailahun
29.	Hon. Surmoijueh Jibrila	SLPP	Bonthe
30.	Hon. Tarawalli-Mussaffa Rugiatu	SLPP	Kenema
31.	Hon. Tommy Sia Mahawa Habiam	SLPP	Kono
32.	Hon. Thompson Alfred Ayodele	APC	Western Area Urban
33.	Hon. Turay Alhaji Sorieba	APC	Tonkolili
34.	Hon. Turay Benjamin	SLPP	Western Area Urban

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

1.	Hon. Bah Alpha Amadu	APC	Western Area Urban
2.	Hon. Fofanah Abu Bakarr	APC	Wester Area n Rural
3.	Hon. Forna Mabinty	APC	Tonkolili
4.	Hon. Jalloh Osman Wurie	SLPP	Western Area Rural
5.	Hon. Kaisamba Francis Amara	SLPP	Kenema
6.	Hon. Kamara Abdul Karim	APC	Port Loko
7.	Hon. Kargbo Abdul	APC	Port Loko
8.	Hon. Lebbie Nenneh	SLPP	Bo
9.	Hon. Mackery Yusuf	SLPP	Bo
10.	Hon. Rogers Dickson Momoh	SLPP	Pujehun
11.	Hon. Sama Shiaka Musa	SLPP	Pujehun
12.	Hon. Tarawally Cathrine Zainab	APC	Bombali
13.	Hon. Tunis Sidie Mohamed	SLPP	Pujehun



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1. Prayers were read by Mrs. Fatmata Bintu Weston (Senior Table Clerk).

2. Suspension of S.O. 5(2) at 10:15 a.m.

The motion for the suspension of S.O. 5(2) at 10:25 a.m. was moved by **Hon. Veronica K. Sesay** from **Moyamba District** for the commencement of proceedings. The motion was seconded by **Hon. Emilia Lolloh Tongi** from **Kailahun District** and approved by the House.

3. Adoption of the Record of Votes and Proceedings for Thursday 18th April, 2024:

The motion for the adoption of the Record of Votes and Proceedings for Thursday 18th April, 2024 was moved by **Hon. Joseph Williams-Lamin** from **Bo District**. It was seconded by **Hon. Mohamed Billoh Shaw** from **Falaba District** and adopted by the House.

4. Mr. Speaker's Announcement:

The Speaker, **Hon. Segepoh S. Thomas**, informed the House with the following ruling as quoted: "that Henceforth when this House sits, the Clerk of Parliament sits with this House." He informed the House that The Clerk of Parliament was the principal adviser to not only the Speaker but to the entire House. He stated that: "As far as Parliament is concerned, everyone that is important sits when the House sits, and therefore the Clerk of Parliament should not be an exception. He, thereby, emphasized his ruling as quoted: "that henceforth (taking effect from the next adjourned date – Thursday 2nd May 2024) when the House sits, the Clerk of Parliament sits with the House.

5. Bill: The Industrial Relations and Trade Union Act, 2023

The Table Clerk, **Mr. Francis Ernest Farma**, called upon the Minister of Labour, Employment and Social Security to proceed with the Introduction and First Reading of the Bill.

Introduction and First Reading:

The Minister of Labour, Employment and Social Security (**Mr. Mohamed Rahman Swarray**) moved that the Bill entitled: "**The Industrial Relations and Trade Union Act, 2023**" 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, **Mr. Francis Ernest Farma**, pronounced that the Bill entitled: "**The Industrial Relations and Trade Union Act, 2023**" had been read the **First Time**.



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Second Reading:

The Minister of Labour, Employment and Social Security (**Mr. Mohamed Rahman Swarray**) moved that the Bill entitled: “**The Industrial Relations and Trade Union Act, 2023**” 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 proposed the question for debate.

The following Hon. Members spoke to the motion:

No.	Names of Honorable Members	Party	District
1.	Hon. Emilia Lolloh Tongi	SLPP	Kailahun
2.	Hon. Dr. Unpha Sorie Gbassay Koroma	APC	Western Urban
3.	Hon. Joseph Williams-Lamin	SLPP	Bo
4.	Hon. Kenewah Fallah Tengbeh	SLPP	Kailahun
5.	Hon. Tamba Kellie	APC	Kono
6.	Hon. Umu Pyne	SLPP	Moyamba
7.	Hon. Ibrahim Barrie	APC	Bombali
8.	Hon. Joseph Abdul Bash Kamara	SLPP	Bo
9.	Hon. Mustapha Musa Sellu	SLPP	Moyamba
10.	Hon. Aruna Papay Larkoh	APC	Tonkolili

6. Suspension of S.O. 5(2) at 12 Noon:

The motion for the suspension of S.O. 5(2) at 12 noon was moved by **Hon. Ibrahim Tawa Conteh** from **Western Urban District** for proceedings to continue during lunch. The motion was seconded by **Hon. Abdul Karim Kamara** from **Kambia District** and approved by the House.

Continued debate:

11.	Hon. Mohamed Billoh Shaw	SLPP	Falaba
12.	Hon. Mohamed Kanneh	SLPP	Kailahun
13.	Hon. Abdulai Alimamy Kamara	APC	Western Urban
14.	Hon. Peter Yamba Koroma	APC	Bombali
15.	Hon. Quintin Sallia-Konneh	SLPP	Kailahun
16.	Hon. Daniel B. Koroma – Acting Minority Leader	APC	Koinadugu
17.	Hon. Bashiru Silikie – Acting Majority Leader	SLPP	Bo

The Attorney-General and Minister of Justice, **Mohamed Lamin Tarawally Esq**, responded to the issues raised by Hon. Members and further moved that the Bill be read the **Second Time**.



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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, **Mr. Francis Ernest Farma**, pronounced that the Bill entitled: **"The Industrial Relations and Trade Union Act, 2023"** had been read the Second Time.

Standing Order 51 (Committal of Bills):

The Acting Majority Leader, **Hon. Bashiru Silikie from Bo District**, rose on SO 51(1) and moved a motion that the Bill entitled **"The Industrial Relations and Trade Union Act, 2023"** 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. Laying of Papers:

(A) The Senior Table Clerk, **Mrs. Fatmata Bintu Weston** called upon the Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee on Works and Public Assets to lay the paper as itemized on the Order Paper.

The Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee on Works and Public Assets (**Hon. Bashiru Silikie**) laid the following paper:

Report on the Parliamentary Committee on Works and Public Assets on An Inquiry Into the Proposed Adjustment of the Wellington-Masiaka Tollgate Tariff.

Hon. Bashiru Silikie rose on S O 18 and gave a brief explanation about the report. He thereby moved a motion for the report to be adopted by the House. The motion was seconded by **Hon. Daniel B. Koroma**.

Mr. Speaker proposed the question for debate.

The following Hon. Members spoke to the motion:

No.	Names of Honorable Members	Party	District
1.	Hon. Kenewah Fallah Tengbeh	SLPP	Kailahun
2.	Hon. John Sartty Kargbo	APC	Western Urban
3.	Hon. Daniel B. Koroma	APC	Koinadugu
4.	Hon. Mathew S. Nyuma	SLPP	Kenema
5.	Hon. Bashiru Silike	SLPP	Bo



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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, **Mr. Alimamy Lincoln-Bangura**, pronounced that the motion to adopt the report had been carried.

The Deputy Leader II of Opposition (**Hon. Aaron Aruna Koroma**) informed the House about the imposition of new charges on license and the registration of vehicles by the Sierra Leone Road Safety Authority without the approval of Parliament as provided in Section 10 (a). Pursuant to SO 25, he submitted that the House should look into the issue.

Mr. Speaker's Response:

The Speaker, **Hon. Segepoh S. Thomas**, instructed that the Clerk of Parliament should summon the full complement of the Sierra Leone Road Safety Authority (SLRSA) to meet with the Leadership of Parliament on Tuesday 30th April 2024 in the Speaker's Conference Room at 10 a.m. He directed that the Sierra Leone Road Safety Authority (SLRSA) should put a halt to any increment until Parliament resolved it. He urged the membership of the Parliamentary Committee on Transports and Aviation to be present in the meeting.

Standing Order 23 (Personal Explanations):

Hon. Mustapha Musa Sellu from **Moyamba District** rose on S.O. 23 and informed the House about an issue that he had had with the Guma Valley Water Company over a supply of water that he had paid for since November 2023.

Mr. Speaker's Response:

The Speaker, **Hon. Segepoh S. Thomas**, directed the Clerks-at-the Table to invite the Managing Director of the Guma Valley Water Company to a personal meeting with the Speaker and **Hon. Mustapha Musa Sellu** on Tuesday 30th April 2024 in the Speaker's Chamber at 9 a.m.

Hon. Emilia Lolloh Tongi from **Kailahun District** rose on S.O. 23 and informed the House about the unsystematic demolition of bars and restaurants along the Lumbley-Aberdeen Beach. She asked that the House should put stopped to those unsystematic demolition at the beaches.

Mr. Speaker's Response:

The Speaker, **Hon. Segepoh S. Thomas**, directed the Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee on Tourism and Cultural Affairs to investigate the said issue and report to the House.



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Hon. Mamoud Kamara from **Western Urban District** rose on S.O. 23 and informed the House about the in actualization of his letter to the Minister of Energy as a result of the acute shortage of electricity supply to Freetown and other parts of Sierra Leone. He implored the House to see the need of questions time and to fully implement it.

Hon. Abdul Karim Kamara from Kambia District pleaded with the House to speed up the issues of questions' time especially for the questions that were readily available.

Hon. Mohamed Papa Bangura from **Bombali District** rose on S.O. 23 and informed the House about the massive pot holes along the Masiaka-Makeni Highway which had been further expanded. He noted that the said road had become a death trap. He asked that the people that had expanded those pot holes should be held accountable.

Mr. Speaker's Response:

The Speaker, **Hon. Segepoh S. Thomas**, directed the Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee on Transports and Aviation to investigate the said issue and report to the House.

Adjournment:

**Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to Thursday 2nd May, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.
The House rose at 1:30 p.m.**