



**SIXTH PARLIAMENT
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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE THIRTY-THIRD SITTING**



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TUESDAY 4TH FEBRUARY, 2025

**The House Met at 10:00 a.m.
The Rt. Hon. Speaker, Segepoh Solomon Thomas, Presided.**

I. Attendance:

THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT WERE PRESENT:			
NO	NAME	PARTY	DISTRICT
1.	Hon. Amara Haja Miatta	APC	Western Area Rural
2.	Hon. Aruna Massay Ngahiteh	SLPP	Bo
3.	Hon. Bah Alpha Amadu	APC	Western Area Urban
4.	Hon. Bah Zinab	APC	Western Area Rural
5.	Hon. Bangura Abdul Karim	SLPP	Karene
6.	Hon. Bangura Adama	SLPP	Kambia
7.	Hon. Bangura Cecilia Mabinty	APC	Karene
8.	Hon. Bangura Daniel Amadu	APC	Tonkolili
9.	Hon. Bangura Ibrahim Aziz	APC	Port Loko
10.	Hon. Bangura Mariama	APC	Western Area Urban
11.	Hon. Bangura Mohamed	APC	Karene
12.	Hon. Bangura Mohamed Papa	APC	Bombali
13.	Hon. Barrie Ibrahim	APC	Bombali
14.	Hon. Bayoh Alie	SLPP	Kenema
15.	Hon. Bockarie Momoh	SLPP	Kenema
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 Kemokoh	APC	Western Area Rural
21.	Hon. Conteh Mohamed	APC	Bombali
22.	Hon. Conteh Paul Samba	APC	Bombali
23.	Hon. Daramy Princess Kadie	SLPP	Western Area Urban
24.	Hon. Edwin Moses A.	SLPP	Bonthe
25.	Hon. Fabbah Habib Keifa	SLPP	Bo
26.	Hon. Fofanah Abu Bakarr	APC	Western Area Rural
27.	Hon. Fofanah Musa	SLPP	Kono
28.	Hon. Fornah Daniel	APC	Tonkolili
29.	Hon. Forna Mabinty	APC	Tonkolili
30.	Hon. Gbreh III P.C Bai Shebora Sheba	P.C	Port Loko
31.	Hon. George Edward	SLPP	Moyamba
32.	Hon. Gevao Hindolo Moiwo	SLPP	Kailahun



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33.	Hon. Goba Mariama Ella	SLPP	Kenema
34.	Hon. Jabbie Alpha Fodie Madie	SLPP	Falaba
35.	Hon. Jalloh Memunatu	APC	Port Loko
36.	Hon. Jalloh Mohamed Alpha	APC	Bombali
37.	Hon. Johnny Tamba Simeon	SLPP	Kono
38.	Hon. Kabba Ibrahim	SLPP	Western Area Rural
39.	Hon. Kallon Hawa	SLPP	Pujehun
40.	Hon. Kamara Abdulai A.	APC	Western Area Urban
41.	Hon. Kamara Abdul Karim	APC	Kambia
42.	Hon. Kamara Alusine Bash	APC	Karene
43.	Hon. Kamara Idriss Sahid	SLPP	Western Area Urban
44.	Hon. Kamara Mahmoud	APC	Western Area Urban
45.	Hon. Kamara Marie	APC	Bombali
46.	Hon. Kamara Mohamed Sheridan	APC	Kambia
47.	Hon. Kanneh Mohamed	SLPP	Kailahun
48.	Hon. Kanu Rugiatu Rosy	APC	Western Area Urban
49.	Hon. Kargbo Abdul	APC	Port Loko
50.	Hon. Kargbo Amara Momoh	SLPP	Western Area Rural
51.	Hon. Kargbo John Sartty	APC	Western Area Rural
52.	Hon. Kargbo Mohamed Sheriff	APC	Karene
53.	Hon. Kawaleh II P.C Kandeh Paria	-	Karene
54.	Hon. Keiha III P.C Kandeh Baba	-	Bombali
55.	Hon. Kellie Lucinda Finda	APC	Kono
56.	Hon. Kellie Tamba	APC	Kono
57.	Hon. Koroma Aaron Aruna	APC	Tonkolili
58.	Hon. Koroma Daniel Brima	APC	Koinadugu
59.	Hon. Koroma Ernest Dura	APC	Kambia
60.	Hon. Koroma Unpha Sorie Gbessay	APC	Western Area Urban
61.	Hon. Lahai Musa	SLPP	Kailahun
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. Lebbie Nenneh	SLPP	Bo
67.	Hon. Lebyy Ambrose Maada	SLPP	Bo
68.	Hon. Mackery Yusuf	SLPP	Bo
69.	Hon. Mansaray Alpha Ben	APC	Moyamba
70.	Hon. Mansaray Hamidu Holla	APC	Koinadugu
71.	Hon. Mansaray Konkofa Farah	SLPP	Koinadugu
72.	Hon. Marrah III P.C Alie Balan Sama	-	Koinadugu



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73.	Hon. Marrah III P.C Thor Thor Sheku Terenah Tongos Neya Konkoroba Fanko Lai	-	Falaba
74.	Hon. Marray – Conteh Abdul Sulaiman	SLPP	Western Area Urban
75.	Hon. Momodu Sahr Koutu	SLPP	Kono
76.	Hon. Munda Boston	SLPP	Kenem
77.	Hon. Ngbak IV P.C Bai Farama Tass Bubu	-	Kambia
78.	Hon. Nyuma Mathew Sahr	SLPP	Kenema
79.	Hon. Pyne Umu	SLPP	Moyamba
80.	Hon. Rahman – Coker Mohamed Sheriff	SLPP	Western Area Urban
81.	Hon. Rogers Dickson Momoh	SLPP	Pujehun
82.	Hon. Sama Shiaka Musa	SLPP	Pujehun
83.	Hon. Sankoh – Yillah Ishmael	SLPP	Port Loko
84.	Hon. Sellu Mustapha Musa	SLPP	Moyamba
85.	Hon. Sesay Aminata	APC	Port Loko
86.	Hon. Sesay Jawah	APC	Tonkolili
87.	Hon. Sesay Pessima Mariatu Racheal	SLPP	Port Loko
88.	Hon. Sesay Sallieu Osman	APC	Bombali
89.	Hon. Sesay Veronica Kadie	SLPP	Moyamba
90.	Hon. Shaw Mohamed Billoh	SLPP	Falaba
91.	Hon. Silikie Bashiru	SLPP	Bo
92.	Hon. Soukenah Fatmata Sarah	SLPP	Western Area Urban
93.	Hon. Taylor-Bangura Mabinty Alice	APC	Kambia
94.	Hon. Timbo Osman Abdal	APC	Western Area Urban
95.	Hon. Tommy Sia Mahawa Habiamama	SLPP	Kono
96.	Hon. Tucker Tom Issic	APC	Kono
97.	Hon. Turay Alhaji Sorieba	APC	Tonkolili
98.	Hon. Turay Benjamin	SLPP	Western Area Urban
99.	Hon. Vandy Christopha Kekura	SLPP	Bo
100.	Hon. Williams – Lamin Joseph	SLPP	Bo
THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT WERE ABSENT:			
1.	Hon. Bangura Rose - Marie	APC	Tonkolili
2.	Hon. Bockarie Bintu Fatmata	SLPP	Bonthe
3.	Hon. Boima Sylvester Arnold Maxwell (Rtd. Capt.)	SLPP	Moyamba
4.	Hon. Dauda Idris Moiwai	SLPP	Bonthe
5.	Hon. Fofanah Mohamed Tawallie	SLPP	Kambia
6.	Hon. Gondor II P.C. Foray Cyril	-	Kailahun
7.	Hon. Johnson Margaret Feimata	SLPP	Kailahun
8.	Hon. Kamara Abdul Karim	APC	Port Loko
9.	Hon. Kanneh P. C. Alameen	-	Kenema
10.	Hon. Kanu Abdulai Karim	SLPP	Port Loko



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11.	Hon. Kanu Ahmed Joseph	SLPP	Western Area Rural
12.	Hon. Kargbo Sheikh Santigie Ibrahim	SLPP	Port Loko
13.	Hon. Kargobai P.C Desmond Mahayei	-	Bo
14.	Hon. Kemokai Abu	SLPP	Pujehun
15.	Hon. Koroma Ibrahim	SLPP	Kenema
16.	Hon. Mansaray Brima	SLPP	Kenema
17.	Hon. Moigua Musa Peter	SLPP	Kenema
18.	Hon. Moijueh Jibrila Sur	SLPP	Bonthe
19.	Hon. Moriba Amie Nyava	SLPP	Bo
20.	Hon. Quee Komba	SLPP	Kono
21.	Hon. Salia – Konneh Quintin	SLPP	Kailahun
22.	Hon. Sandy Alice Kornya	SLPP	Kenema
23.	Hon. Saquee V P.C Paul Ngaba	-	Kono
24.	Hon. Tarawalli-Mussaffa Rugiatu	SLPP	Kenema
25.	Hon. Tengbeh Fallah Kenawah	SLPP	Kailahun
26.	Hon. Tholley Foyoh	SLPP	Tonkolili
27.	Hon. Thompson Alfred Ayodele	APC	Western Area Urban
28.	Hon. Tongi Emilia Lolloh	SLPP	Kailahun

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

1.	Hon. Abdulai Charles Osman	SLPP	BO
2.	Hon. Banya Sarty	SLPP	Kailahun
3.	Hon. Fatorma Juliana Aliematu	SLPP	Kenema
4.	Hon. Jalloh Osman Wurie	SLPP	Western Area Rural
5.	Hon. Kaisamba Francis Amara	SLPP	Kenema
6.	Hon. Kamara Joseph Abdul Bash	SLPP	Bo
7.	Hon. Kamara Rebecca Yei	SLPP	Kono
8.	Hon. Kamara Rugiatu	APC	Tonkolili
9.	Hon. Kanbgai Beatrice Maaya	SLPP	Bo
10.	Hon. Koroma Meama Kajue P.C Haja Fatmata Bintu	-	Moyamba
11.	Hon. Koroma Peter Yamba	APC	Bombali
12.	Hon. Kumabeh Alice Jebbeh	SLPP	Bonthe
13.	Hon. Rogers Alex Mattia	SLPP	Pujehun
14.	Hon. Sesay Abdul Latiff	APC	Port Loko
15.	Hon. Siafa Rosaline Hawa	SLPP	Kailahun
16.	Hon. Songa Bernadette Wuyatta	SLPP	Kailahun
17.	Hon. Tamu P . C. Saffa Monya	-	Pujehun
18.	Hon. Tarawally Cathrine Zainab	APC	Bombali
19.	Hon. Tunis Sidie Mohamed	SLPP	Pujehun
20.	Hon. Zombo Mariama Munia	SLPP	Pujehun



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Pronouncement of Quorum:

The Deputy Director II of the Legislative Services, **Mrs. Fatmata Bintu Weston**, 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 now formed a quorum to commence its proceedings."**

1. Prayers were read by Mrs. Fatmata Bintu Weston, Deputy Director II.

2. Suspension of Standing Order 5 (2):

The motion for the suspension of S.O. 5 (2) at 10:30 a.m. was moved by **Hon. Veronica K. Sesay from Moyamba District** for the commencement of proceedings. The motion was seconded by **Hon. Mohamed Billoh Shaw from Falaba District** and approved by the House.

3. Adoption of the Record of Votes and Proceedings for Thursday 30th January, 2025:

The motion for the adoption of the Record of Votes and Proceedings for Thursday 23rd January, 2025 was moved by **Hon. Joseph Williams-Lamin from Bo District**. It was seconded by **Hon. Ibrahim Kabba from Western Rural District** and adopted by the House.

4. Mr. Speaker's Announcement:

The Rt. Hon. Speaker, **Segepoh Solomon Thomas**, asked Hon. Members if they were happy. He stated that Hon. Members should be happy and proud of their Speaker and Leadership.

5. Bills:

A. The Tertiary Education Commission Act, 2024

The Table Clerk, **Mr. Prince Oviasuyi**, called upon The Minister of Technical and Higher Education to proceed on the Committee Stage of the bill.

Committee Stage - The House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole.

Presentation of Report:

The Chairman of the Legislative Committee, **Hon. Abdul S. Marray Conteh from Western Urban District**, presented the Fourth Report of the Second Session of the Sixth Parliament of the Legislative Committee on the bill entitled **"The Tertiary Education Commission Act, 2024."**

The Minister of Technical and Higher Education, **Dr. Haja Ramatulai Wurie** moved that Parts 1 to 7; Clauses 1 to 25 stand part of the Bill.



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Mr. Chairman proposed a question for debate.

During the debate, some amendments were made.

Mr. Chairman put the question for vote as quoted:

"All those in favour, say Aye."

"All those against, say Nay."

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

The Table Clerk, **Mr. Prince Oviasuyi**, pronounced that Parts 1 to 7; Clauses 1 to 25 had formed part of the Bill as amended."

The House resumed from the Committee Stage.

Report Stage:

The Minister of Technical and Higher Education, **Dr. Haja Ramatulai Wurie** reported to the House that the Bill entitled: **"The Tertiary Education Commission Act, 2025"** had gone through the Committee of the whole House with some amendments made.

Third Reading:

The Minister of Technical and Higher Education, **Dr. Haja Ramatulai Wurie** moved that the Bill be read the Third Time and passed into law.

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. Prince Oviasuyi**, pronounced that the Bill entitled: **"The Tertiary Education Commission Act, 2025"** had been read the Third Time and passed into law.

Mr. Speaker's Announcement:

The Rt. Hon. Speaker, **Segepoh Solomon Thomas**, informed Hon. Members that he would stand down the House for five minutes and that when the House resumed, his Deputy would preside over the remaining parts of the proceedings.



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Mr. Speaker stood down the House at 11:40 a.m.

The House resumed at 11:55 a.m.

The Acting Speaker, **Hon. Ibrahim Tawa Conteh**, presided.

Proceedings Continued.

B. The National Council for Technical and Vocational Education Act, 2024

The Table Clerk, **Mr. Prince Oviasuyi**, called upon The Minister of Technical and Higher Education to proceed on the Committee Stage of the bill.

Committee Stage - The House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole.

Presentation of Report:

The Chairman of the Legislative Committee, **Hon. Abdul S. Marray Conteh from Western Urban District**, presented the Fifth Report of the Second Session of the Sixth Parliament of the Legislative Committee on the bill entitled **"The National Council for Technical and Vocational Education Act, 2024."**

The Minister of Technical and Higher Education, **Dr. Haja Ramatulai Wurie** moved that Parts 1 to 7; Clauses 1 to 34 and the Schedule stand part of the Bill.

Mr. Chairman proposed a question for debate.

During the debate some amendments were made.

Mr. Chairman put the question for vote as quoted:

"All those in favour, say Aye."

"All those against, say Nay."

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

The Table Clerk, **Mr. Prince Oviasuyi**, pronounced that Parts 1 to 7; Clauses 1 to 34 and the Schedule had formed part of the Bill as amended."

The House resumed from the Committee Stage.



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Report Stage:

The Minister of Technical and Higher Education (**Dr. Haja Ramatulai Wurie**) reported to the House that the Bill entitled: **"The National Council for Technical and Vocational Education Act, 2025"** had gone through the Committee of the whole House with some amendments made.

Third Reading:

The Minister of Technical and Higher Education (**Dr. Haja Ramatulai Wurie**) moved that the Bill be read the Third Time and passed into law.

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. Prince Oviasuyi**, pronounced that the Bill entitled: **"The National Council for Technical and Vocational Education Act, 2025"** had been read the Third Time and passed into law.

The House resumed from the Committee Stage.

6. Suspension of Standing Order 5 (2):

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

Proceedings Continued.

c. The Sierra Leone Railway Development and Regulatory Authority Act, 2024 by the Minister of Transport and Aviation

Introduction and First Reading:

The Minister of Transport and Aviation, **Mr. Fanday Turay**, moved that the Bill entitled: **"The Sierra Leone Railway Development and Regulatory Authority Act, 2024"** be read the First 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 Sierra Leone Railway Development and Regulatory Authority Act, 2024"** had been read the **First Time**.

Second Reading:

The Minister of Transports and Aviation, **Mr. Fanday Turay**, moved that the bill entitled: **"The Sierra Leone Railway Development and Regulatory Authority Act, 2024"** 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 Bill:

No.	Names of Honourable Members	Party	District
1.	Hon. Abdul Karim Kamara	APC	Kambia
2.	Hon. Ambrose Maada Lebby	SLPP	Bo
3.	Hon. Veronica K. Sesay	SLPP	Moyamba
4.	Hon. Abdul Kargbo – Minority Leader	APC	Port Loko
5.	Hon. Mathew S. Nyuma –Majority Leader	SLPP	Kenema

The Minister of Transports and Aviation, **Mr. Fanday Turay**, responded to the issues raised by Hon. Members and further moved that the Bill be read the Second 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.



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The Table Clerk, **Mr. Francis Ernest Farma**, pronounced that the bill entitled: “**The Sierra Leone Railway Development and Regulatory Authority Act, 2024**” had been read the **Second Time**.

Committal of Bill (Standing Order 51):

The Leader of Government Business (**Hon. Mathew S. Nyuma from Kenema District**) rose on S.O. 51 (1) and moved a motion for the Committal of the Bill entitled: “**The Sierra Leone Railway Development and Regulatory Authority Act, 2024**” to the Legislative Committee for further scrutiny. The motion was seconded by **Hon. Joseph Williams-Lamin from Bo District** and approved by the House.

D. The Professional Social Workers Regulatory Council Act, 2025 by the Minister of Social Welfare

Introduction and First Reading:

The Minister of Social Welfare, **Mrs. Melrose Karminty**, moved that the Bill entitled: “**The Professional Social Workers Regulatory Council 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 Professional Social Workers Regulatory Council Act, 2025**” had been read the **First Time**.

Second Reading:

The Minister of Social Welfare, **Mrs. Melrose Karminty**, moved that the bill entitled: “**The Professional Social Workers Regulatory Council Act, 2025**” be read the Second Time. She presented the objects and reasons of the bill to the House and again moved that the bill be read the Second Time.



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Mr. Speaker proposed the question for debate.

The following Hon. Members spoke to the Bill:

No.	Names of Honourable Members	Party	District
1.	Hon. Rugiatu Rosy Kanu	APC	Western Rural
2.	Hon. Abdul Karim Kamara	APC	Kambia
3.	Hon. Veronica K. Sesay	SLPP	Moyamba
4.	Hon. Nenneh Lebbie	SLPP	Bo
5.	Hon. Hindolo M. Gevao	SLPP	Kailahun
6.	Hon. Tamba Kellie	APC	Kono
7.	Hon. Umu Pyne	SLPP	Moyamba
8.	Hon. Abdul Kargbo – Minority Leader	APC	Port Loko
9.	Hon. Saa Emerson Lamina – Acting Majority Leader	SLPP	Kono

7. Suspension of Standing Order 5 (2):

The motion for the suspension of S.O. 5 (2) at 3 p.m. was moved by **Hon. Nenneh Lebbie from Bo District** for the proceedings to continue after the said time. The motion was seconded by **Hon. Abdul Kargbo from Port Loko District** and approved by the House.

The Minister of Social Welfare, **Mrs. Melrose Karminty**, responded to the issues raised by Hon. Members and further moved that the Bill be read the Second 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 Professional Social Workers Regulatory Council Act, 2025”** had been read the **Second Time**.

Committal of Bill (Standing Order 51):

The Acting Leader of Government Business (**Hon. Saa Emerson Lamina from Kono District**) rose on S.O. 51 (1) and moved a motion for the Committal of the Bill entitled: **“The Professional Social Workers Regulatory Council Act, 2025”** to the Legislative Committee for further scrutiny. The motion was seconded by **Hon. Abdul S. Marray Conteh from Western Urban District** and approved by the House.



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Adjournment:

**Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to Thursday 13th February, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.
The House rose at 3:55 p.m.**