



**FIFTH PARLIAMENT
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WEDNESDAY, 23RD NOVEMBER, 2022.

The House Met at 10:30 a.m.
The Rt. Hon. Speaker, Dr. Abass Chernor Bundu, Presided

I. ATTENDANCE:

THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT WERE PRESENT:

NO	NAME	PARTY	DISTRICT	CONST.
1.	Hon. Abdulai Osman Charles	SLPP	Bo	079
2.	Hon. Alhadi Lihadi	APC	Western Urban	123
3.	Hon. Alu-Conteh Alusine Kainde	APC	Western Urban	125
4.	Hon. Amara Haja Miatta	APC	Western Rural	112
5.	Hon. Bah Alpha Amadu	APC	Western Urban	115
6.	Hon. Bangura Cecilia Mabinty	APC	Karene	065
7.	Hon. Bangura Ibrahim Aziz	APC	Pot Loko	076
8.	Hon. Bangura Mohamed	APC	Karene	066
9.	Hon. Banya Sarty	SLPP	Kailahun	004
10.	Hon. Bhendu Francis Saa	C4C	Kono	027
11.	Hon. Bockarie Momoh	SLPP	Kenema	012
12.	Hon. Braima Zainab Kama	SLPP	Kailahun	010
13.	Hon. Bubu Ngbak IV P.C. Bai Farama Tass	-	Kambia	-
14.	Hon. Charles Sahr	C4C	Kono	028
15.	Hon. Conteh Abdul S. Marray	SLPP	Western Urban	130
16.	Hon. Conteh Emmanuel Saidu	APC	Western Urban	129
17.	Hon. Conteh Ibrahim	APC	Tonkolili	053
18.	Hon. Conteh Ibrahim Tawa	SLPP	Western Urban	132
19.	Hon. Conteh John Charles	APC	Bombali	031
20.	Hon. Conteh Samba Paul	APC	Bombali	035
21.	Hon. Davies Kadijatu	APC	Western Rural	110
22.	Hon. Edwin Moses Andrew	SLPP	Bonthe	090
23.	Hon. Fabbah Habib Keifa	SLPP	BO	078
24.	Hon. Fofanah Musa	C4C	Kono	023
25.	Hon. Gbekie Emmanuel Sahr	SLPP	Western Urban	116
26.	Hon. Gberek III P. C. Bai Shebora Sehba	-	Port Loko	-
27.	Hon. George Edward	SLPP	Moyamba	097
28.	Hon. Gevao Moiwo Hindolo	SLPP	Kailahun	003
29.	Hon. Gondor II P. C. Foray Cyril	-	Kailahun	-
30.	Hon. Jabbie Alpha Fode Madie	SLPP	Falaba	040



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31.	<i>Hon. Jorkie Moses Baimba</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Bonthe</i>	<i>091</i>
32.	<i>Hon. Juana Sahr</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Kailahun</i>	<i>002</i>
33.	<i>Hon. Kabia Mohamed</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Western Rural</i>	<i>106</i>
34.	<i>Hon. Kaisamba Francis Amara</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Kenema</i>	<i>020</i>
35.	<i>Hon. Kalokoh Mark Mahmoud (Dr.)</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Bombali</i>	<i>032</i>
36.	<i>Hon. Kamara Abdul Joseph Bash</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Bo</i>	<i>084</i>
37.	<i>Hon. Kamara Abdul Karim</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Kambia</i>	<i>059</i>
38.	<i>Hon. Kamara Abdul Karim</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Port Loko</i>	<i>069</i>
39.	<i>Hon. Kamara Abdul Titus</i>	<i>NGC</i>	<i>Kambia</i>	<i>061</i>
40.	<i>Hon. Kamara Alieu Ibrahim</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Western Urban</i>	<i>122</i>
41.	<i>Hon. Kamara Alusine Bash</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Karene</i>	<i>067</i>
42.	<i>Hon. Kamara Bai Sama</i>	<i>NGC</i>	<i>Kambia</i>	<i>060</i>
43.	<i>Hon. Kamara Ibrahim</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Karene</i>	<i>063</i>
44.	<i>Hon. Kamara Ibrahim Bun (Dr.)</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Port Loko</i>	<i>068</i>
45.	<i>Hon. Kamara Saidu Babah</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Port Loko</i>	<i>071</i>
46.	<i>Hon. Kanneh Mohamed</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Kailahun</i>	<i>006</i>
47.	<i>Hon. Kanu Alimamy Brun</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Port Loko</i>	<i>072</i>
48.	<i>Hon. Kanu Amadu</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Moyamba</i>	<i>093</i>
49.	<i>Hon. Kanu Rugiatu Rosy</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Western Urban</i>	<i>113</i>
50.	<i>Hon. Kargbo Abdul</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Port Loko</i>	<i>077</i>
51.	<i>Hon. Kargbo Roland Foday (Dr.)</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Karene</i>	<i>064</i>
52.	<i>Hon. Kassegbama Aiah David Shek</i>	<i>C4C</i>	<i>Kono</i>	<i>026</i>
53.	<i>Hon. Kawalleh II P. C. Alhaji Kandeh Paria</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>Karene</i>	<i>-</i>
54.	<i>Hon. Kemokai Abu</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Pujehun</i>	<i>103</i>
55.	<i>Hon. Koroma Aaron Aruna</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Tonkolili</i>	<i>048</i>
56.	<i>Hon. Koroma Abdul Karim</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Port Loko</i>	<i>070</i>
57.	<i>Hon. Koroma Issa Oye</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Port Loko</i>	<i>073</i>
58.	<i>Hon. Koroma John Telson</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Western Urban</i>	<i>127</i>
59.	<i>Hon. Koroma Manuel Allieu</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Bombali</i>	<i>036</i>
60.	<i>Hon. Koroma Peter Yamba</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Bombali</i>	<i>033</i>
61.	<i>Hon. Koroma Unpha Sorie Gbassay (Dr.)</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Western Urban</i>	<i>114</i>
62.	<i>Hon. Kumabeh Jebbeh Alice</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Bonthe</i>	<i>092</i>
63.	<i>Hon. Lahai Musa</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Kailahun</i>	<i>009</i>
64.	<i>Hon. Lamina Emerson Saa</i>	<i>C4C</i>	<i>Kono</i>	<i>030</i>
65.	<i>Hon. Lansana Abdul Muniru</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Western Urban</i>	<i>121</i>
66.	<i>Hon. Lansana Festus Mohamed</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Kenema</i>	<i>015</i>
67.	<i>Hon. Lavalie-Tshombe Dominic Jaybeh</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Moyamba</i>	<i>098</i>
68.	<i>Hon. Lebbie Ambrose Maada</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Bo</i>	<i>083</i>
69.	<i>Hon. Lebbie Nenneh</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Bo</i>	<i>086</i>
70.	<i>Hon. Makieu Josephine</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Kenema</i>	<i>014</i>
71.	<i>Hon. Mansaray Abu</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Port Loko</i>	<i>074</i>



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72.	Hon. Mansaray Brima	SLPP	Kenema	017
73.	Hon. Marah Alusine	APC	Falaba	041
74.	Hon. Marrah III P. C. Fasalie Kulako Demba	-	Falaba	-
75.	Hon. Marah Lahai	APC	Falaba	042
76.	Hon. Moigua Peter Musa	SLPP	Kenema	011
77.	Hon. Munda Boston	SLPP	Kenema	021
78.	Hon. Nyuma Mathew Sahr	SLPP	Kenema	019
79.	Hon. Pewa P. C. Prince Mambu	-	Kenema	-
80.	Hon. Rahman-Coker Mohamed Sheriff	SLPP	Western Urban	131
81.	Hon. Rogers Alex Mattia	SLPP	Pujehun	102
82.	Hon. Salia-Konneh Quintin	INDEPENDENT	Kailahun	007
83.	Hon. Sam Paul Saa	C4C	Kono	025
84.	Hon. Samura Hajaratu Faith	APC	Western Urban	117
85.	Hon. Sandy Ishmail Sama	SLPP	Bo	080
86.	Hon. Sandy Tennyson Hindolo	SLPP	Western Urban	120
87.	Hon. Sankoh Hassan	APC	Tonkolili	049
88.	Hon. Sellu Mustapha Musa	SLPP	Moyamba	095
89.	Hon. Sesay Abdoul Hassan	APC	Tonkolili	050
90.	Hon. Sesay Abdul Latif	APC	Port Loko	075
91.	Hon. Sesay Daniel Abdulai (Dr.)	APC	Tonkolili	052
92.	Hon. Sesay Jawah	APC	Tonkolili	056
93.	Hon. Sesay Kusan	APC	Koinadugu	045
94.	Hon. Sesay Osman Sallieu	APC	Bombali	038
95.	Hon. Shaw Mohamed Billoh	SLPP	Falaba	039
96.	Hon. Sheriff P. C. Alie Badara	-	Bonthe	-
97.	Hon. Siafa Rosaline Hawa	SLPP	Kailahun	005
98.	Hon. Silikie Bashiru	SLPP	Bo	082
99.	Hon. Tarawalie Issac	APC	Western Urban	118
100.	Hon. Tarawally Zainab Catherine	APC	Bombali	037
101.	Hon. Tholley James Ozan	APC	Tonkolili	054
102.	Hon. Thomas Segepoh Solomon	SLPP	Bonthe	089
103.	Hon. Tongi Lolloh Emilia	INDEPENDENT	Kailahun	001
104.	Hon. Tucker Tom Issic	APC	Kono	022
105.	Hon. Turay Abdul	APC	Western Rural	105
106.	Hon. Turay Benjamin	SLPP	Western Urban	128
107.	Hon. Turay Sheku Munirr (Dr.)	SLPP	Pujehun	099
108.	Hon. Vandy Christopha Keikura	SLPP	Bo	088
109.	Hon. Williams- Lamin Joseph	SLPP	Bo	081

THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT WERE ABSENT:

1.	Hon. Bangura Rosemarie	APC	Tonkolili	055
2.	Hon. Fefegula Simeon	SLPP	Moyamba	096



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3.	<i>Hon. Finnoh III P. C. Kandeh</i>	-	<i>Bombali</i>	-
4.	<i>Hon. Fofanah Abubakarr</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Kenema</i>	<i>016</i>
5.	<i>Hon. Jalloh Osman Wurie</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Western Rural</i>	<i>109</i>
6.	<i>Hon. Kabba Lamin Foday</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Koinadugu</i>	<i>044</i>
7.	<i>Hon. Kamara Foday Mario</i>	<i>NGC</i>	<i>Kambia</i>	<i>057</i>
8.	<i>Hon. Kamara Rebecca Yei</i>	<i>C4C</i>	<i>Kono</i>	<i>029</i>
9.	<i>Hon. Kanu Ahmed Joseph</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Western Rural</i>	<i>108</i>
10.	<i>Hon. Kargbo Papa Abdulai</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Tonkolili</i>	<i>047</i>
11.	<i>Hon. Macavoray P. C. Kangbai Joe (Prof.)</i>	-	<i>Bo</i>	-
12.	<i>Hon. Mansaray Hamidu Holla</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Koinadugu</i>	<i>043</i>
13.	<i>Hon. Sama Musa Shiaka</i>	<i>INDEPENDENT</i>	<i>Pujehun</i>	<i>104</i>
14.	<i>Hon. Songa Wuyatta Bernadette</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Kailahun</i>	<i>008</i>
15.	<i>Hon. Turay Alhaji Sorieba</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Tonkolili</i>	<i>051</i>
16.	<i>Hon. Vincent Horace E.</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Western Rural</i>	<i>111</i>

THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT WERE ABSENT WITH EXCUSE:

1.	<i>Hon. Aruna Massay Ngahinteh</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Bo</i>	<i>085</i>
2.	<i>Hon. Bah Chernor R.M.</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Western Urban</i>	<i>126</i>
3.	<i>Hon. Fofanah Abu Bakarr</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Western Rural</i>	<i>107</i>
4.	<i>Hon. Hafiju Maada Kanja</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Kenema</i>	<i>018</i>
5.	<i>Hon. Jalloh Timbo Wurroh</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Western Urban</i>	<i>119</i>
6.	<i>Hon. Kamanda Komba Mansamayao</i>	<i>C4C</i>	<i>Kono</i>	<i>024</i>
7.	<i>Hon. Kamara Alusine Osaio</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Kambia</i>	<i>058</i>
8.	<i>Hon. Kanneh Alusine</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Kenema</i>	<i>013</i>
9.	<i>Hon. Kargbo Ibrahim Ben</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Bombali</i>	<i>034</i>
10.	<i>Hon. Koroma Daniel Brima</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Koinadugu</i>	<i>046</i>
11.	<i>Hon. Koroma Meama Kajue IV P. C. F. H. Bintu</i>	-	<i>Moyamba</i>	-
12.	<i>Hon. Lansana-Minah P. C. Matilda Yayu</i>	-	<i>Pujehun</i>	-
13.	<i>Hon. Mackery Yusuf</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Bo</i>	<i>087</i>
14.	<i>Hon. Manly-Spain Ajibola Emmanuel</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Western Urban</i>	<i>124</i>
15.	<i>Hon. Marah III P.C. Alie Balansama</i>	-	<i>Koinadugu</i>	-
16.	<i>Hon. Mbriwa II P. C. Sahr Youngai Kontanday</i>	-	<i>Kono</i>	-
17.	<i>Hon. Rogers Dickson Momoh</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Pujehun</i>	<i>100</i>
18.	<i>Hon. Sanka III P.C. Bai Kurr Kanagbaro</i>	-	<i>Tonkolili</i>	-
19.	<i>Hon. Sesay Veronica Kadie</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Moyamba</i>	<i>094</i>
20.	<i>Hon. Tunis Sidie Mohamed</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Pujehun</i>	<i>101</i>
21.	<i>Hon. Yumkella Kandeh Kolleh (Dr.)</i>	<i>NGC</i>	<i>Kambia</i>	<i>062</i>



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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 10:50 am was moved by **Hon. Brima Mansaray of Constituency 017, Kenema District**. The motion seconded by **Hon. Hindolo Tennyson Sandy of Constituency 120, Western Urban District** and approved by the House.

3. **Adoption of Record of Votes and Proceedings for 22ND November, 2022:**

The motion for the adoption of the Record of Votes and Proceedings for Tuesday 22ND November, 2022 was moved by **Hon. Hindolo Tennyson Sandy of Constituency 120, Western Urban District**, it was seconded by **Hon. Rosaline Hawa Siafa of Constituency 005, Kailahun District** and approved by the House.

4. **Laying of Papers:**

The Table Clerk, **Alimamy Lincoln Bangura**, called upon The Attorney-General and Minister of Justice to lay the papers that were itemized on the Order Paper.

Observation by The Acting Leader of Opposition:

The Whip of Opposition who doubled as The Acting Leader of Opposition, **Hon. Hassan A. Sesay of Constituency 050, Tonkolili District** said that they as Hon. Members of the main Opposition were not expecting the the Statutory Instruments that were about to be laid on the Table of the House to be put on the Order Paper for that day's sitting because there had been an agreeable understanding between the Leader of Opposition and Leader of Government Business for the said documents to be laid on Thursday 24th November 2022. He also said that the two Statutory Instruments were referring to provisions of the 1991 Constitution of Sierra Leone. He finally said that it was not in the best interest of the state for the said documents to be laid on the Table of the House because it would undermine some provisions in the 1991 Constitution of Sierra Leone which is the grundnorm.

Hon. Alpha Amadu Bah drew the attention of the House to the following Statutory Instruments: **"The Public Elections (Local Councils Proportional Representation System) Regulations, 2022"** and **"The Public Elections (District Block Proportional Representation System) Regulations, 2022."** He said that as Statutory Instruments, they were in the House as subsidiary legislations, and that they were to give effects to their parent acts, and they should not refer to the Constitution. He stated that based on his humble view, the said papers were not properly before the House, and that they should not be laid on the Table of the House.



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Response by The Leader of Government Business:

The Leader of Government Business, **Hon. Mathew S. Nyuma**, said that Hon. Members should be bound by law to obey legislation passed by Parliament. He reminded the House about the composition of the Business Committee and clarified that the Order Paper for that day's sitting was sent to every Member of the Business Committee way ahead of that day's sitting as there were records to the effect. He also clarified that the distribution of the two Statutory Instruments to Hon. Members took place on Monday 21st November 2022 and not on Tuesday 22nd November 2022 as said by Hon. Members of the Opposition. He referred the House to Section 33 of the 1991 Constitution of Sierra Leone and recited the following provision as quoted: **“Subject to the provisions of the Constitution, the Electoral Commission shall be responsible for the conduct and supervision of the registration of voters for, and of, all public elections and referenda; and for that purpose shall have power to make regulations by statutory instrument for the registration of voters, the conduct of Presidential, Parliamentary or Local Government elections and referenda, and other matters connected therewith, including regulations for voting by proxy.”** He encouraged Hon. Members of the Opposition to recourse to the Supreme Court for any grievances of theirs concerning any constitutional interpretation.

He also referred the House to Section 171 of **“The Public Elections Act, 2022”** as well as **Section 38 (a) of The 1991 Constitution of Sierra Leone** and read the said provisions.

He finally referred the House to **Section 56 of “The Public Elections Act, 2022.”** He further encouraged Hon. Members of the Opposition to follow procedures and not to bring rancour in the House.

Mr. Speaker's Response:

He said that he was truly amazed by the submissions made from both sides signifying nothing. He said that the submissions made by the Acting Leader of Opposition and the Leader of Government Business was like putting the cart before the horse. He asked that the House proceeded with the items on the Order Paper.

During the process of laying the papers, there was rancour in the House, and the proceedings of the House was put to a halt at 11:00 a.m.

The House resumed at 12:00 p.m.

5. Suspension of Standing Order at 12 Noon:

The motion for the suspension of S.O. 5(2) at 12:00 pm was moved by **Hon. Mohamed Kanneh of Constituency 006, Kailahun District** for the Proceedings to continue during lunch. The motion was seconded by **Hon. Alieu Ibrahim Kamara of Constituency 122, Western Urban District** and approved by the House.

Hon. Members of the Opposition were still standing in the chamber and refusing to take their allotted seats.



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The Leader of The Coalition for Change (C4C) in Parliament, **Hon. Saa Emerson Lamina**, said that due to the situation in the chamber, the dignity of Parliament was at stake in accordance with Section 97 of The 1991 Constitution of Sierra Leone.

The Deputy Speaker, **Hon. Segepoh Solomon Thomas**, rose on a point of order and urged Mr. Speaker to invoke S.O. 43 (3) so that order and decorum could be maintained in the chamber.

The Clerk of Parliament as well as the Chief Adviser to the Speaker, **Hon. Paran Umar Tarawally**, made an announcement that all Hon. Members should take their allotted seats for order and decorum to be maintained in the chamber so that the House would continue with the proceedings of that day's sitting.

When Hon. Members of the Opposition were refusing to take their allotted seats, and in order to restore order and decorum in the chamber so that the proceedings of the House would continue, The Clerk of Parliament, **Hon. Paran Umar Tarawally**, ordered the Sierra Leone Police to take over the security of the chamber.

Continued Proceedings:

Papers laid by the Deputy Attorney--General and Minister of Justice:

The Deputy Attorney--General and Minister of Justice, **Umar Napoleon Koroma Esq**, laid the following papers that were itemized on the Order Paper:

a. The Public Elections (Local Councils Proportional Representation System) Regulations, 2022.

The Constitution of Sierra Leone 1991 (Act No. 6 of 1991)

Statutory Instrument No. 13.

b. The Public Elections (District Block Proportional Representation System) Regulations, 2022.

The Constitution of Sierra Leone 1991 (Act No. 6 of 1991)

Statutory Instrument No. 14.

Standing Order 25:

After the said documents had been laid, **Hon. Musa Fofanah of Constituency 023, Kono District** rose on S.O. 25 and gave a notice of motion for the said documents to be debated. He informed the House that he would do the needful in relating to drafting the motion.



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6. Amendment of Order Paper:

The Leader of Government Business (**Hon. Mathew S. Nyuma**) moved a motion to amend the Order Paper by incorporating the Seventh Report of the Legislative Committee within item “V” of the Order Paper that dealt with the bill entitled: **“The Local Government Act, 2021.”** The motion was seconded by the Deputy Leader of Government Business (**Hon. Bashiru Silikie**) and approved by the House.

7. Suspension of Standing Order at 3:00 p.m.

The motion for the suspension of S.O. 5(2) at 3:00 pm was moved by **Hon. Mohamed Kanneh of Constituency 006, Kailahun District** for the Proceedings to continue after 3 p.m. The motion was seconded by **Hon. Josephine Makieu of Constituency 014, Kenema District** and approved by the House.

8. Bill: The Local Government Act, 2021 by The Minister of Local Government and Rural Development:

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 of Constituency 130, Western Urban District**, presented the Seventh Report of the Fifth Session of the Fifth Parliament of the Legislative Committee on the bill entitled: **“The Local Government Act, 2021.”**

The Table Clerk, **Mr. Prince Oviasuyi**, pronounced that Parts 1 to 6; Clauses 1 to 46 stand part of the bill.

The Minister of Local Government, **Mr. Tamba Lamina**, moved that Parts 1 to 6; Clauses 1 to 46 stand part of the bill.

Mr. Chairman proposed the question for debate.

The debate started, and some amendments were made.

The Minister of Local Government, **Mr. Tamba Lamina**, again moved that Parts 1 to 6; Clauses 1 to 46 stand part of the bill as amended.



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Mr. Chairman put the question for vote.

“All those in favor, say Aye.”

“All those against, say Nay.”

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

The Table Clerk, **Mr. Price Oviasuyi**, pronounced that Parts 1 to 6; Clauses 1 to 46 had formed part of the bill as amended.

The House resumed from the Committee Stage.

Adjournment:

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to Thursday 24th November, 2022.

The House rose at 4:00 p.m.