



**FIFTH PARLIAMENT
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TUESDAY, 12TH JULY, 2022

The House met at 11:40 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.	<i>Hon. Alhadi Lihadi</i>	APC	<i>Western Urban</i>	<i>123</i>
3.	<i>Hon. Alu-Conteh Alusine Kainde</i>	APC	<i>Western Urban</i>	<i>125</i>
4.	<i>Hon. Amara Haja Miatta</i>	APC	<i>Western Rural</i>	<i>112</i>
5.	Hon. Aruna Massay Ngahinteh	SLPP	Bo	085
6.	<i>Hon. Bah Alpha Amadu</i>	APC	<i>Western Urban</i>	<i>115</i>
7.	Hon. Bah Chernor R.M.	APC	<i>Western Urban</i>	<i>126</i>
8.	<i>Hon. Bangura Cecilia Mabinty</i>	APC	<i>Karene</i>	<i>065</i>
9.	<i>Hon. Bangura Ibrahim Aziz</i>	APC	<i>Pot Loko</i>	<i>076</i>
10.	<i>Hon. Bangura Mohamed</i>	APC	<i>Karene</i>	<i>066</i>
11.	<i>Hon. Bangura Rosemarie</i>	APC	<i>Tonkolili</i>	<i>055</i>
12.	<i>Hon. Banya Sarty</i>	SLPP	<i>Kailahun</i>	<i>004</i>
13.	Hon. Bhendu Francis Saa	C4C	Kono	027
14.	<i>Hon. Bockarie Momoh</i>	SLPP	<i>Kenema</i>	<i>012</i>
15.	Hon. Braima Zainab Kama	SLPP	Kailahun	010
16.	<i>Hon. Bubu Ngbak IV P.C. Bai Farama Tass</i>	-	<i>Kambia</i>	<i>-</i>
17.	<i>Hon. Charles Sahr</i>	C4C	<i>Kono</i>	<i>028</i>
18.	<i>Hon. Conteh Abdul S. Marray</i>	SLPP	<i>Western Urban</i>	<i>130</i>
19.	<i>Hon. Conteh Emmanuel Saidu</i>	APC	<i>Western Urban</i>	<i>129</i>
20.	<i>Hon. Conteh Ibrahim</i>	APC	<i>Tonkolili</i>	<i>053</i>
21.	<i>Hon. Conteh Ibrahim Tawa</i>	SLPP	<i>Western Urban</i>	<i>132</i>
22.	<i>Hon. Conteh John Charles</i>	APC	<i>Bombali</i>	<i>031</i>
23.	<i>Hon. Conteh Samba Paul</i>	APC	<i>Bombali</i>	<i>035</i>
24.	<i>Hon. Davies Kadijatu</i>	APC	<i>Western Rural</i>	<i>110</i>
25.	<i>Hon. Edwin Moses Andrew</i>	SLPP	<i>Bonthe</i>	<i>090</i>
26.	<i>Hon. Fabbah Habib Keifa</i>	SLPP	<i>BO</i>	<i>078</i>
27.	Hon. Fefegula Simeon	SLPP	Moyamba	096
28.	<i>Hon. Fofanah Abubakarr</i>	SLPP	<i>Kenema</i>	<i>016</i>
29.	<i>Hon. Fofanah Abu Bakarr</i>	APC	<i>Western Rural</i>	<i>107</i>
30.	<i>Hon. Fofanah Musa</i>	C4C	<i>Kono</i>	<i>023</i>
31.	<i>Hon. Gberek III P. C. Bai Shebora Sehba</i>	-	<i>Port Loko</i>	<i>-</i>



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32.	<i>Hon. Gbekie Emmanuel Sahr</i>	SLPP	Western Urban	116
33.	<i>Hon. Gevao Moiwo Hindolo</i>	SLPP	Kailahun	003
34.	<i>Hon. Gondor II P. C. Foray Cyril</i>	-	Kailahun	-
35.	<i>Hon. Hafiju Maada Kanja</i>	SLPP	Kenema	018
36.	<i>Hon. Jabbie Alpha Fode Madie</i>	SLPP	Falaba	040
37.	<i>Hon. Jalloh Osman Wurie</i>	SLPP	Western Rural	109
38.	<i>Hon. Jalloh Timbo Wurroh</i>	APC	Western Urban	119
39.	<i>Hon. Jorkie Moses Baimba</i>	SLPP	Bonthe	091
40.	<i>Hon. Juana Sahr</i>	SLPP	Kailahun	002
41.	<i>Hon. Kabba Lamin Foday</i>	APC	Koinadugu	044
42.	<i>Hon. Kabia Mohamed</i>	APC	Western Rural	106
43.	<i>Hon. Kaisamba Francis Amara</i>	SLPP	Kenema	020
44.	<i>Hon. Kalokoh Mark Mahmoud (Dr.)</i>	APC	Bombali	032
45.	<i>Hon. Kamanda Komba Mansamayao</i>	C4C	Kono	024
46.	<i>Hon. Kamara Abdul Joseph Bash</i>	SLPP	Bo	084
47.	<i>Hon. Kamara Abdul Karim</i>	APC	Kambia	059
48.	<i>Hon. Kamara Abdul Karim</i>	APC	Port Loko	069
49.	<i>Hon. Kamara Abdul Titus</i>	NGC	Kambia	061
50.	<i>Hon. Kamara Alieu Ibrahim</i>	SLPP	Western Urban	122
51.	<i>Hon. Kamara Alusine Bash</i>	APC	Karene	067
52.	<i>Hon. Kamara Bai Sama</i>	NGC	Kambia	060
53.	<i>Hon. Kamara Foday Mario</i>	NGC	Kambia	057
54.	<i>Hon. Kamara Ibrahim</i>	APC	Karene	063
55.	<i>Hon. Kamara Ibrahim Bun (Dr.)</i>	APC	Port Loko	068
56.	<i>Hon. Kamara Rebecca Yei</i>	C4C	Kono	029
57.	<i>Hon. Kamara Saidu Babah</i>	APC	Port Loko	071
58.	<i>Hon. Kanneh Mohamed</i>	SLPP	Kailahun	006
59.	<i>Hon. Kanu Ahmed Joseph</i>	SLPP	Western Rural	108
60.	<i>Hon. Kanu Alimamy Brun</i>	APC	Port Loko	072
61.	<i>Hon. Kanu Amadu</i>	APC	Moyamba	093
62.	<i>Hon. Kanu Rugiatu Rosy</i>	APC	Western Urban	113
63.	<i>Hon. Kargbo Abdul</i>	APC	Port Loko	077
64.	<i>Hon. Kargbo Ibrahim Ben</i>	APC	Bombali	034
65.	<i>Hon. Kargbo Papa Abdulai</i>	APC	Tonkolili	047
66.	<i>Hon. Kargbo Roland Foday (Dr.)</i>	APC	Karene	064
67.	<i>Hon. Kassegbama Aiah David Shek</i>	C4C	Kono	026
68.	<i>Hon. Kawalleh II P. C. Alhaji Kandeh Paria</i>	-	Karene	-
69.	<i>Hon. Kemokai Abu</i>	SLPP	Pujehun	103
70.	<i>Hon. Koroma Aaron Aruna</i>	APC	Tonkolili	048
71.	<i>Hon. Koroma Abdul Karim</i>	APC	Port Loko	070
72.	<i>Hon. Koroma Daniel Brima</i>	APC	Koinadugu	046



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73.	<i>Hon. Koroma Issa Oye</i>	APC	Port Loko	073
74.	<i>Hon. Koroma John Telson</i>	SLPP	Western Urban	127
75.	<i>Hon. Koroma Manuel Allieu</i>	APC	Bombali	036
76.	<i>Hon. Koroma Meama Kajue IV P. C. F. H. Bintu</i>	-	Moyamba	-
77.	<i>Hon. Koroma Peter Yamba</i>	APC	Bombali	033
78.	<i>Hon. Koroma Unpha Sorie Gbassay (Dr.)</i>	APC	Western Urban	114
79.	<i>Hon. Kumabeh Jebbeh Alice</i>	SLPP	Bonthe	092
80.	<i>Hon. Lahai Musa</i>	SLPP	Kailahun	009
81.	<i>Hon. Lamina Emerson Saa</i>	C4C	Kono	030
82.	<i>Hon. Lansana Abdul Muniru</i>	SLPP	Western Urban	121
83.	<i>Hon. Lansana Festus Mohamed</i>	SLPP	Kenema	015
84.	<i>Hon. Lansana-Minah P. C. Matilda Yayu</i>	-	Pujehun	-
85.	<i>Hon. Lavalie-Tshombe Dominic Jaybeh</i>	SLPP	Moyamba	098
86.	<i>Hon. Leby Ambrose Maada</i>	SLPP	Bo	083
87.	<i>Hon. Lebbie Nenneh</i>	SLPP	Bo	086
88.	<i>Hon. Macavoray P. C. Kangbai Joe (Prof.)</i>	-	Bo	-
89.	<i>Hon. Makieu Josephine</i>	SLPP	Kenema	014
90.	<i>Hon. Manly-Spain Ajibola Emmanuel</i>	APC	Western Urban	124
91.	<i>Hon. Mansaray Abu</i>	APC	Port Loko	074
92.	<i>Hon. Mansaray Brima</i>	SLPP	Kenema	017
93.	<i>Hon. Mansaray Hamidu Holla</i>	APC	Koinadugu	043
94.	<i>Hon. Marah III P.C. Alie Balansama</i>	-	Koinadugu	-
95.	<i>Hon. Marah Alusine</i>	APC	Falaba	041
96.	<i>Hon. Marrah III P. C. Fasalie Kulako Demba</i>	-	Falaba	-
97.	<i>Hon. Marah Lahai</i>	APC	Falaba	042
98.	<i>Hon. Mbriwa II P. C. Sahr Youngai Kontanday</i>	-	Kono	-
99.	<i>Hon. Munda Boston</i>	SLPP	Kenema	021
100.	<i>Hon. Nyuma Mathew Sahr</i>	SLPP	Kenema	019
101.	<i>Hon. Pewa P. C. Prince Mambu</i>	-	Kenema	-
102.	<i>Hon. Rahman-Coker Mohamed Sheriff</i>	SLPP	Western Urban	131
103.	<i>Hon. Rogers Alex Mattia</i>	SLPP	Pujehun	102
104.	<i>Hon. Rogers Dickson Momoh</i>	SLPP	Pujehun	100
105.	<i>Hon. Salia-Konneh Quintin</i>	INDEPENDENT	Kailahun	007
106.	<i>Hon. Sam Paul Saa</i>	C4C	Kono	025
107.	<i>Hon. Samura Hajaratu Faith</i>	APC	Western Urban	117
108.	<i>Hon. Sandy Ishmail Sama</i>	SLPP	Bo	080
109.	<i>Hon. Sandy Tennyson Hindolo</i>	SLPP	Western Urban	120
110.	<i>Hon. Sanka III P.C. Bai Kurr Kanagbaro</i>	-	Tonkolili	-
111.	<i>Hon. Sankoh Hassan</i>	APC	Tonkolili	049
112.	<i>Hon. Sellu Mustapha Musa</i>	SLPP	Moyamba	095
113.	<i>Hon. Sesay Abdoul Hassan</i>	APC	Tonkolili	050



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114.	<i>Hon. Sesay Abdul Latif</i>	APC	Port Loko	075
115.	<i>Hon. Sesay Daniel Abdulai (Dr.)</i>	APC	Tonkolili	052
116.	<i>Hon. Sesay Kusan</i>	APC	Koinadugu	045
117.	<i>Hon. Sesay Osman Sallieu</i>	APC	Bombali	038
118.	<i>Hon. Sesay Veronica Kadie</i>	SLPP	Moyamba	094
119.	<i>Hon. Shaw Mohamed Billoh</i>	SLPP	Falaba	039
120.	<i>Hon. Sheriff P. C. Alie Badara</i>	-	Bonthe	-
121.	<i>Hon. Siafa Rosaline Hawa</i>	SLPP	Kailahun	005
122.	<i>Hon. Silikie Bashiru</i>	SLPP	Bo	082
123.	<i>Hon. Songa Wuyatta Bernadette</i>	SLPP	Kailahun	008
124.	<i>Hon. Tarawalie Issac</i>	APC	Western Urban	118
125.	<i>Hon. Tarawally Zainab Catherine</i>	APC	Bombali	037
126.	<i>Hon. Tholley James Ozan</i>	APC	Tonkolili	054
127.	<i>Hon. Thomas Segepoh Solomon</i>	SLPP	Bonthe	089
128.	<i>Hon. Tongi Lolloh Emilia</i>	INDEPENDENT	Kailahun	001
129.	<i>Hon. Tucker Tom Issic</i>	APC	Kono	022
130.	<i>Hon. Tunis Sidie Mohamed</i>	SLPP	Pujehun	101
131.	<i>Hon. Turay Abdul</i>	APC	Western Rural	105
132.	<i>Hon. Turay Alhaji Sorieba</i>	APC	Tonkolili	051
133.	<i>Hon. Turay Benjamin</i>	SLPP	Western Urban	128
134.	<i>Hon. Turay Sheku Munirr (Dr.)</i>	SLPP	Pujehun	099
135.	<i>Hon. Vandy Christopha Keikura</i>	SLPP	Bo	088
136.	<i>Hon. Williams- Lamin Joseph</i>	SLPP	Bo	081

THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT WERE ABSENT WITH EXCUSE:

1.	<i>Hon. Finnoh III P. C. Kandeh</i>	-	Bombali	-
2.	<i>Hon. George Edward</i>	SLPP	Moyamba	097
3.	<i>Hon. Kamara Alusine Osaio</i>	APC	Kambia	058
4.	<i>Hon. Kanneh Alusine</i>	SLPP	Kenema	013
5.	<i>Hon. Mackery Yusuf</i>	SLPP	Bo	087
6.	<i>Hon. Moigua Peter Musa</i>	SLPP	Kenema	011
7.	<i>Hon. Sama Musa Shiaka</i>	INDEPENDENT	Pujehun	104
8.	<i>Hon. Vincent Horace E.</i>	SLPP	Western Rural	111
9.	<i>Hon. Yumkella Kandeh Kolleh (Dr.)</i>	NGC	Kambia	062



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1. Prayers were read by *Mr. Francis Ernest Farma (Table Clerk)*.

2. Suspension of Standing Order 5 (2):

The motion for the suspension of S.O. 5 (2) at 11:45 a.m. was moved by **Hon. Dickson M. Rogers of Constituency 100, Pujehun District**. The motion was seconded by **Hon. Maada Hafiju Kanja of Constituency 018, Kenema District** and approved by the House.

The Rt. Hon. Speaker, **Dr. Abass Chernor Bundu**, informed Hon. Members about some technical problems in the production of the Votes and Proceedings and postponed consideration on the adoption of the Record of Votes and Proceedings for Tuesday 5th July, 2022 to the next adjourned date.

3. Mr. Speaker Announcement's:

The Rt. Hon. Speaker, **Dr. Abass Chernor Bundu**, made the following announcement as quoted:

“Hon. Members, since our last meeting in this Chamber of Parliament in plenary, a lot has been said and written on social media about the role of this current Parliament and more especially about this particular sitting and what is perceived by many to be its aim and objective today; about my role in it as Speaker; and equally importantly about the constitutional Instruments and the Public Elections Bill 2022 that are presently before us for consideration. Most of what I have read and heard on social media seemed to me to have stemmed from a mountain of mischaracterization, misunderstanding and misinformation of monumental proportions about the work of this Parliament. It is a big shame that a nation that as a nation that has earned self-rule as an Independent Sovereign Nation for over 61 years, and had once been the pride of West Africa as the “Athens of Education” there are still in our midst adult men and women who deliberately and maliciously set out through political propoganda to manipulate and deceive the masses of our people. This is most lamentable, to say the least.

So let me take this opportunity to make it abundantly clear that contrary to the hype given to the general public, the Public Elections Bill of 2022 currently before this Parliament does not introduce any new proportional representation into our law. The District Block Representation System, a form of PR, which is mentioned in the Bill, was introduced into our laws as far back as 2001 by way of a constitutional amendment that was encapsulated in section 38A. Therefore the debate about the PR system is not going to happen in this Parliament because it is already embedded in the laws of Sierra Leone, in the Constitution of Sierra Leone the highest law of our land.

Instead what the Public Elections Bill before this Parliament seeks to introduce is the empowerment of women to give them a justifiable say in the Parliamentary affairs of this country by raising the percentage of their representation to a minimum of thirty percent. The Bill also seeks to strengthen the independence of the Electoral Commission by making it extremely difficult to remove the Commissioners from office. The Bill also seeks to take away the prerogative power of the President to determine the date of elections by fixing a date for such



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elections and this will now be set in the Constitution in the same way as is done in the United States of America. These are the main issues that should focus our attention.

I propose to explain in greater details to this House and to the general public the true nature and character of the instruments that are currently before this Parliament if only to enhance their better understanding and appreciation of both their content and their implications for the political development, peace and stability of our country. In this regard, I shall also call upon the Leadership of all the political parties represented in this parliament to lend their respective voices in removing the cobwebs of misunderstanding and misinformation that seem to have surrounded the Bills before this House. To join me in this assignment will be a hallmark of great Leadership and a fitting performance of our collective duty to maintain peace and stability in this country and to promote, preserve and protect the wellbeing and prosperity of all who dwell in it. This is a primordial duty that we all owe to the people of this country as Members of Parliament and to this veritable institution of Parliament.

I shall most certainly perform mine as and when necessary. For now I shall just simply say here clearly and loudly, and with all the authority at my command as Speaker of this Parliament, and mindful also of the need to accelerate momentum in our consideration of the important Bills currently before this House that our unsuspecting compatriots within this country and around the world have been hugely and thoroughly misinformed, misguided and misdirected. But, as promised, I shall elaborate on this further when we get to that point.

Also, at this crucial juncture, we should address what in my opinion constitutes the foundation upon which so much that is contained in the public elections bill of 2022 is grounded. And it is imperative that first and foremost we construct the foundation of the metaphoric building if the essence of the new electoral edifice- the public elections bill of 2022-is to be understood and accepted by all and sundry. This is precisely the manner in which the order paper for today's sitting has been crafted.

Suffice it, however, that I should make mention here of the egregious harm that has been committed by a certain individual who decided unilaterally and without my prior authorization to upload my personal telephone number on the social media. This singular act of his has caused me great harm. And he did not just stop there. He went on to exhort Sierra Leoneans both at home and abroad to send messages to my phone about the perceptions they hold about the Public Election bill and what they believe it is purporting to introduce into our body politic. To say the very least, these acts constitute as much intimidation and harassment as they were unwarranted and unnecessary and in effect an invitation to anarchy under the guise of respectable Journalism. Frankly, in my considered opinion, it is a most intolerable and unworthy display of reckless Journalism. And I want to take this opportunity to condemn it completely and unreservedly so that the individual concerned would be better advised in future to try to think twice before indulging in any more despicable and unbecoming activities of this sort from the comfort environment of his overseas habitat. I hope a word for the wise is sufficient."



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- The Leader of Opposition, **Hon. Chernor R.M. Bah of Constituency 126, Western Urban District**, rose on a point of order and stated two concerns. Firstly, He said that they were expecting to have seen on the Order Paper of that day's sitting item that should have dealt with the swearing –in of the newly elected Member of Parliament of Constituency 056 because he had spoken about it during the last sitting and asked why it was not on that Order Paper. Secondly, he said he had keenly listened to the statement made by Mr. Speaker, and that to a larger extent he believed that Mr. Speaker was playing the role of the Attorney-General and Minister of Justice. He drew the attention of Mr. Speaker to Section 108 sub-section (9 b) of the Constitution of Sierra Leone (Act No.6 of 1991.) He said that the bill entitled **"The Public Elections Act, 2022"** was not just an ordinary Bill but a super Bill.
- The Deputy Speaker of Parliament (**Hon. Segepoh Solomon Thomas of Constituency 089, Bonthe District**) said that he did not know what was meant by the word "Super Bill" as stated by the Leader of Opposition. He also said that it was not in their purview as Hon. Members to swear- in a newly elected Member of Parliament without receiving a certificate from the Electoral Commission for Sierra Leone (ECSL,) and that communication should be done by the Clerk of Parliament. He said when Hon. Members were assembled in the Chamber of the House for deliberations, they should discuss the items on the Order Paper unless in a case wherein the Leader of Government Business had decided to amend the Order Paper otherwise they should not discuss anything outside the Order Paper.
- Leader of opposition, **Hon. Chernor R.M. Bah of Constituency 126, Western Urban District** said he made his submission concerning the swearing-in of the newly elected Member of Parliament from a well-informed position because he had made thorough investigation and gotten confirmation form the Clerk of Parliament that the certificate had been brought to Parliament.
- The Leader of Government Business, **Hon. Mathew S. Nyuma of Constituency 019, Kenema District** informed Hon. Members that the Order Paper had been prepared before the weekend and that the Monday that preceded that sitting was a holiday. He said he had just been informed by the Clerk of Parliament that the certificate had been brought to Parliament and assured the House that the swearing-in would definitely take place.
- The Leader of Opposition, **Hon. Chernor R.M. Bah of Constituency 126, Western Urban District** agreed to the submission by the Leader of Government Business and accepted that they would move on with that day's business.



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4. Bills:

(A) The Constitution of Sierra Leone (Amendment) Act, 2022 by the Attorney-General and Minister of Justice:

The Table Clerk, **Mr. Francis Ernest Farma**, called upon the Attorney-General and Minister of Justice to proceed with the **Introduction and First Reading** of the bill.

(i) Introduction and First Reading:

The Attorney-General and Minister of Justice, **Mohamed Lamin Tarawally Esq.**, moved that the Bill entitled **“The Constitution of Sierra Leone (Amendment) Act, 2022”** (Being an Act to amend subsections (2) and (8) of Section 32 of the Constitution of Sierra Leone 1991) be read the **First Time**.

Mr. Speaker put the question for vote.

“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 had been read the **First Time**.

The Table Clerk, **Mr. Francis Ernest Farma**, called upon The Attorney-General and Minister of Justice to proceed on the **Second Reading** of the said bill.

(ii) Second Reading:

The Attorney-General and Minister of Justice, **Mohamed Lamin Tarawally Esq.**, moved that the Bill entitled **“The Constitution of Sierra Leone (Amendment) Act, 2022”** (Being an Act to amend subsections (2) and (8) of Section 32 of the Constitution of Sierra Leone 1991) be read the **Second Time**. He presented the Memorandum of 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 contributed to the debate:

No.	Names of Honourable Members	Constituency	District
1.	Hon. Abdul S. Marray Conteh	130	Western Urban
2.	Hon. Emmanuel Ajibola Manly-Spain	124	Western Urban
3.	Hon. Ibrahim Tawa Conteh	132	Western Urban

The Leader of Government Business, **Hon. Mathew S. Nyuma**, stood on a point of order and agreed with the concerns raised by **Hon. Ibrahim T. Conteh** about **“gross misconduct”** in the Public Election Act, 2012.



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- **The Deputy Leader of the National Grand Coalition (NGC) (Hon. Foday Mario Kamara of Constituency 057, Kambia District)** said that he was not comfortable with the open-ended nature of clause 1 of the bill.
- **The Leader of the Coalition for Change (C4C) (Hon. Saa Emerson Lamina of Constituency 030, Kono District)** commended the Fourth Parliament about the good work it did. He said that the Electoral Commission of Sierra Leone (ECSL) had done a good job by raising the threshold to 'gross misconduct', and that 'gross misconduct' was a conventional language across the sub-saharan Africa for judges, president etc. He also commended the Fourth Parliament for creating the North-Western Region even though there was no commissioner appointed to it

5. Suspension of Standing Order 5 (2):

The motion for the suspension of S.O. 5 (2) at 12:05 p.m. was moved by **Hon. Dickson M. Rogers of Constituency 100, Pujehun District**. The motion was seconded by **Hon. Hindolo Tennyson Sandy of Constituency 120, Western Urban District** and approved by the House.

Continued debate:

4.	Hon. Daniel B. Koroma	046	Koinadugu
5.	Hon. Sahr Charles	028	Kono
6.	Hon. Bashiru Silikie	082	Bo
7.	Hon. Chernor R. M. Bah – Leader of opposition	126	Western Urban
8.	Hon. Mathew S. Nyuma – Leader of Government Business	019	Kenema

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**.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Segepoh Solomon Thomas of Constituency 089, Bonthe District) moved a motion that if the House was unanimous for that particular purpose, the voting pattern for the said bill should be by collection of voices. The motion was seconded by **Hon. Dickson M. Rogers of Constituency 100, Pujehun District** and approved by the House.

Mr. Speaker directed the Clerks-at-the-Table to count the number of Hon. Members present to ascertain the vote of not less than two-thirds of Members of Parliament.

135 Members were present and counted.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that the Votes of not less than two-thirds of 145 Members of Parliament as the present composition by then should be 97 Members.



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Mr. Speaker put the question for vote.

“All those in favour, say Aye.”

“All those against, say Nay.”

Through collection of voices, Mr. Speaker declared that the Ayes had it, and he interpreted that to mean all 135 Members present and counted had voted in favour of the motion.

The Table Clerk, **Mr. Francis Ernest Farma**, pronounced that the bill had been read the Second Time.

Mr. Speaker directed the Clerks-at-the-Table to properly record his ruling concerning the vote on the “Record of Votes and Proceedings.”

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

The Table Clerk, **Mr. Francis Ernest Farma**, pronounced that Clause 1 stand part of the Bill.

The Attorney-General and Minister of Justice, **Mohamed Lamin Tarawally Esq.**, moved that clause 1 stand part of the bill.

Mr. Chairman proposed the question for debate.

The debate started, and the following constitutional amendment was made

The Leader of Government Business, **Hon. Mathew S. Nyuma**, moved a motion that clause 1 of the bill to be read as quoted: **“The Members of the Electoral Commission shall be a Chief Electoral Commissioner, who shall be the chairman, and five other members who shall be known as Electoral Commissioners.”** The motion was seconded by **Hon. Daniel B. Koroma of Constituency 046, Koinadugu District** and approved by the House.

Mr. Chairman put the question for vote.

“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. Francis Ernest Farma**, pronounced that Clause 1 had formed part of the bill as amended.”

The House resumed from the Committee of the Whole House.



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Report Stage:

The Attorney-General and Minister of Justice, **Mohamed lamin Tarawally Esq**, reported to the House that the Bill entitled: **“The Constitution of Sierra Leone (Amendment) Act, 2022” (Being an Act to amend subsections (2) and (8) of Section 32 of the Constitution of Sierra Leone 1991)** had gone through Committee of the whole House with an amendment made.

Third Reading:

The Attorney-General and Minister of Justice, **Mohamed Lamin Tarawally Esq.**, 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, and he interpreted that to mean all 135 Members present and counted had voted in favour of the motion.

The Table Clerk, **Mr. Francis Ernest Farma**, pronounced that the bill entitled: **“The Constitution of Sierra Leone (Amendment) Act, 2022” (Being an Act to amend subsections (2) and (8) of Section 32 of the Constitution of Sierra Leone 1991)** had been read the Third Time and passed into law.

Mr. Speaker stood down the House at 2:30 p.m.

The House resumed at 3:30 p.m.

Continued proceedings:

(B) Bill: The Constitution of Sierra Leone (Amendment) Act, 2022 by the Attorney-General and Minister of Justice.

The Table Clerk, **Mr. Francis Ernest Farma**, called upon the **Attorney-General and Minister of Justice** to proceed with the Introduction and First Reading of the bill.

Introduction and First Reading:

The Attorney-General and Minister of Justice, **Mohamed Lamin Tarawally Esq.**, moved that the bill entitled: **“The Constitution of Sierra Leone (Amendment) Act, 2022” (Being an Act to amend subsection (1) of Section 76 of the Constitution of Sierra Leone 1991)** 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.



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The Table Clerk, **Mr. Francis Ernest Farma**, pronounced that the bill had been read the First Time.

4. Suspension of Standing Order 5 (2):

The motion for the suspension of S.O. 5 (2) at 3:00 p.m. was moved by **Hon. Dickson M. Rogers of Constituency 100, Pujehun District** for proceedings to continue after the said time. The motion was seconded by **Hon. Maada Hafiju Kanja of Constituency 018, Kenema District** and approved by the House.

Continued proceedings:

The Table Clerk, **Mr. Francis Ernest Farma**, called upon **the Attorney-General and Minister of Justice** to proceed with the Second Reading of the bill.

Second Reading:

The Attorney-General and Minister of Justice, **Mohamed Lamin Tarawally Esq.**, moved that the bill be read the Second Time. He presented the **“Memorandum of 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 contributed to the debate:

No.	Names of Honourable Members	Constituency	District
1.	Hon. Abdul S. Marray Conteh	130	Western Urban
2.	Hon. Dickson M. Rogers	100	Pujehun
3.	Hon. Emmanuel Ajibola Manly-Spain	124	Western Urban
4.	Hon. Maada Kanja Hafiju	018	Kenema
5.	Hon. Abdul Karim Kamara	059	Kambia
6.	Hon. PC Prof. Kangbai Joe Macavoray	Bo
7.	Hon. Francis A. Kaisamba	020	Kenema
8.	Hon. Osman Wurie Jalloh	109	Western Rural
9.	Hon. Alhaji Sorieba Turay	051	Tonkolili
10.	Hon. Josephine Makieue	014	Kenema
11.	Hon. Dr. Roland Foday Kargbo	064	Karene
12.	Hon. Abu Kemokai	103	Pujehun
13.	Hon. Chernor R. M. Bah – Leader of Opposition	126	Western Urban
14.	Hon. Mathew S. Nyuma – Leader of Government Business	019	Kenema

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 again directed the Clerks-at- the-Table to count the number of Hon. Members present to ascertain the vote of not less than two-thirds of Members of Parliament.

133 Members were present and counted.

Mr. Speaker again informed the House that the Votes of not less than two-thirds of 145 Members of Parliament as the present composition by then should be 97 Members.

Mr. Speaker put the question for vote.

“All those in favour, say Aye.”

“All those against, say Nay.”

Through collection of voices, Mr. Speaker declared that the Nays had it, and he interpreted that to mean all 133 Members present and counted had voted against the motion for the Bill not to be read the Second Time.

The Table Clerk, Mr. Francis Ernest Farma, pronounced that the motion for the bill entitled: “**The Constitution of Sierra Leone (Amendment) Act, 2022**” (Being an Act to amend subsection (1) of Section 76 of the Constitution of Sierra Leone 1991) to be read the Second Time had not been carried.

(C.) Bill: The Public Elections Act, 2022 by the Attorney-General and Minister of Justice.

The Table Clerk, Mr. Francis Ernest Farma, called upon the Attorney-General and Minister of Justice to proceed with the Second Reading of the bill.

Debate continued on the Second reading of the said bill.

The following Hon. Members contributed to the debate:

No.	Names of Honourable Members	Constituency	District
1.	Hon. Veronica Kadie Sesay	094	Moyamba
2.	Hon. Daniel B. Koroma	046	Koinadugu

Adjournment:

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to Wednesday 13th July 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

The House rose at 6:35 p.m.