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TUESDAY, 6TH JULY, 2021

### The House met at 10:25 a.m. The Rt. Hon. Speaker, Dr. Abass Chernor Bundu, in the Chair

#### I. ATTENDANCE:

### THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT WERE PRESENT:

NO	NAME	<b>PARTY</b>	DISTRICT	CONST
1.	Hon. Abdulai Osman Charles	SLPP	Во	079
2.	Hon. Alhadi Lihadi	APC	Western Urban	123
3.	Hon. Alu-Conteh Alusine Kainde	APC	Western Urban	125
4.	Hon. Aruna Massay Ngahinteh	SLPP	Во	085
5.	Hon. Bah Alpha Amadu	APC	Western Urban	115
6.	Hon. Bah Chernor R.M.	APC	Western Urban	126
7.	Hon. Bangura Cecilia Mabinty	APC	Karene	065
8.	Hon. Bangura Ibrahim Aziz	APC	Pot Loko	076
9.	Hon. Bangura Rosemarie	APC	Tonkolili	055
10.	Hon. Banya Sarty	SLPP	Kailahun	004
11.	Hon. Bhendu Francis Saa	C4C	Kono	027
12.	Hon. Bubu Ngbak IV P.C. Bai Farama Tass	-	Kambia	-
13.	Hon. Charles Sahr	C4C	Kono	028
14.	Hon. Conteh Abdul S. Marray	SLPP	Western Urban	130
15.	Hon. Conteh Ibrahim	APC	Tonkolili	053
16.	Hon. Conteh Ibrahim Tawa	SLPP	Western Urban	132
17.	Hon. Conteh Samba Paul	APC	Bombali	035
18.	Hon. Davies Kadijatu	APC	Western Rural	110
19.	Hon. Edwin Moses Andrew	SLPP	Bonthe	090
20.	Hon. Fabbah Habib Keifa	SLPP	ВО	078
21.	Hon. Fofanah Abubakarr	SLPP	Kenema	016
22.	Hon. Fofanah Abu Bakarr	APC	Western Rural	107
23.	Hon. Fofanah Musa	C4C	Kono	023
24.	Hon. Gbereh III P. C. Bai Shebora Sehba	-	Port Loko	-
25.	Hon. George Edward	SLPP	Moyamba	097
26.	Hon. Hafiju Maada Kanja	SLPP	Kenema	018
27.	Hon. Jabbie Alpha Fode Madie	SLPP	Falaba	040
28.	Hon. Jalloh Osman Wurie	SLPP	Western Rural	109
29.	Hon. Jalloh Timbo Wurroh	APC	Western Urban	119
30.	Hon. Jorkie Moses Baimba	SLPP	Bonthe	091





31.	Hon. Juana Sahr	SLPP	Kailahun	002
32.	Hon. Kabba Lamin Foday	APC	Koinadugu	044
33.	Hon. Kabia Mohamed	APC	Western Rural	106
34.	Hon. Kaisamba Amara Francis	SLPP	Kenema	020
35.	Hon. Kalokoh Mark Mahmoud (Dr.)	APC	Bombali	032
36.	Hon. Kamanda Komba Mansamayao	C4C	Kono	024
37.	Hon. Kamara Abdul Joseph Bash	SLPP	Во	084
38.	Hon. Kamara Abdul Karim	APC	Kambia	059
39.	Hon. Kamara Abdul Karim	APC	Port Loko	069
40.	Hon. Kamara Abdul Titus	NGC	Kambia	061
41.	Hon. Kamara Allieu Ibrahim	SLPP	Western Urban	122
42.	Hon. Kamara Alusine Bash	APC	Karene	067
43.	Hon. Kamara Bai Sama	NGC	Kambia	060
44.	Hon. Kamara Foday Mario	NGC	Kambia	057
45.	Hon. Kamara Ibrahim Bun (Dr.)	APC	Port Loko	068
46.	Hon. Kamara Rebecca Yei	C4C	Kono	029
47.	Hon. Kamara Saidu Babah	APC	Port Loko	071
48.	Hon. Kamara Alusine Osaio	APC	Kambia	058
49.	Hon. Kamara Ibrahim	APC	Karene	063
50.	Hon. Kanneh Alusine	SLPP	Kenema	013
51.	Hon. Kanneh Mohamed	SLPP	Kailahun	006
52.	Hon. Kanu Amadu	APC	Moyamba	0
53.	Hon. Kanu Rugiatu Rosy	APC	Western Urban	113
54.	Hon. Kargbo Abdul	APC	Port Loko	077
55.	Hon. Kargbo Papa Abdulai	APC	Tonkolili	047
56.	Hon. Kargbo Roland Foday (Dr.)	APC	Karene	064
57.	Hon. Kassegbama Aiah David Shek	C4C	Kono	026
58.	Hon. Kawalleh II P. C. Alhaji Kandeh Paria	-	Karene	-
59.	Hon. Kemokai Abu	SLPP	Pujehun	103
60.	Hon. Koroma Aaron Aruna	APC	Tonkolili	048
61.	Hon. Koroma Abdul Karim	APC	Port Loko	070
62.	Hon. Koroma Daniel Brima	APC	Koinadugu	046
63.	Hon. Koroma Manuel Allieu	APC	Bombali	036
64.	Hon. Koroma Meama Kajue IV P. C. F. H. Bintu	-	Moyamba	-
65.	Hon. Koroma Peter Yamba	APC	Bombali	033
66.	Hon. Koroma Unpha Sorie Gbassay (Dr.)	APC	Western Urban	114
67.	Hon. Lahai Musa	SLPP	Kailahun	009
68.	Hon. Lamina Emerson Saa	C4C	Kono	030
69.	Hon. Lansana Abdul Muniru	SLPP	Western Urban	121
70.	Hon. Lansana Festus Mohamed	SLPP	Kenema	015
71.	Hon. Lansana-Minah P. C. Matilda Yayu	-	Pujehun	-





72.	Hon. Lavalie-Tshombe Dominic Jaybeh	SLPP	Moyamba	098
73.	Hon. Lebbie Nenneh	SLPP	Во	086
74.	Hon. Lebby Ambrose Maada	SLPP	Во	083
75.	Hon. Mackery Yusuf	SLPP	Во	087
76.	Hon. Makieu Josephine	SLPP	Kenema	014
77.	Hon. Manly-Spain Ajibola Emmanuel	APC	Western Urban	124
78.	Hon. Mansaray Abu	APC	Port Loko	074
79.	Hon. Mansaray Brima	SLPP	Kenema	017
80.	Hon. Marah III P.C. Alie Balansama	-	Koinadugu	-
81.	Hon. Marah Alusine	APC	Falaba	041
82.	Hon. Marrah III P. C. Fasalie Kulako Demba	-	Falaba	-
83.	Hon. Marah Lahai	APC	Falaba	042
84.	Hon. Moigua Peter Musa	SLPP	Kenema	011
85.	Hon. Munda Boston	SLPP	Kenema	021
86.	Hon. Nyuma Mathew Sahr	SLPP	Kenema	019
87.	Hon. Pewa P. C. Prince Mambu	-	Kenema	-
88.	Hon. Rahman-Coker Mohamed Sheriff	SLPP	Western Urban	131
89.	Hon. Rogers Alex Mattia	SLPP	Pujehun	102
90.	Hon. Rogers Dickson Momoh	SLPP	Pujehun	100
91.	Hon. Salia-Konneh Quintin	INDEPENDENT	Kailahun	007
92.	Hon. Sam Paul Saa	C4C	Kono	025
93.	Hon. Samura Hajaratu Faith	APC	Western Urban	117
94.	Hon. Sandy Tennyson Hindolo	SLPP	Western Urban	120
95.	Hon. Sanka III P. C. Bai Kurr Kanagbaro	-	Tonkolili	-
96.	Hon. Sankoh Hassan	APC	Tonkolili	049
97.	Hon. Sellu Mustapha Musa	SLPP	Moyamba	095
98.	Hon. Sesay Abdoul Hassan	APC	Tonkolili	050
99.	Hon. Sesay Abdul Latif	APC	Port Loko	075
100.	Hon. Sesay Daniel Abdulai (Dr.)	APC	Tonkolili	052
101.	Hon. Sesay Osman Sallieu	APC	Bombali	038
102.	Hon. Sesay Veronica Kadie	SLPP	Moyamba	094
103.	Hon. Sheriff P. C. Alie Badara	-	Bonthe	-
104.	Hon. Tarawalie Issac	APC	Western Urban	118
105.	Hon. Tarawally Zainab Catherine	APC	Bombali	037
106.	Hon. Tholley James Ozan	APC	Tonkolili	054
107.	Hon. Thomas Segepoh Solomon	SLPP	Bonthe	089
108.	Hon. Tongi Lolloh Emilia	INDEPENDENT	Kailahun	001
109.	Hon. Tucker Tom Issic	APC	Kono	022
110.	Hon. Turay Ahmed Samba	APC	Port Loko	073
111.	Hon. Turay Benjamin	SLPP	WesternUrban	128
112.	Hon. Turay Sheku Munirr (Dr.)	SLPP	Pujehun	099
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113.	Hon. Vandy Christopha Keikura	SLPP	Во	088
114.	Hon. Williams- Lamin Joseph	SLPP	Во	081
115.	Hon. Yumkella Kandeh Kolleh (Dr.)	NGC	Kambia	062

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	THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS	OF PARLIAMENT WER	RE ABSENT WITH EX	CUSE:
1.	Hon. Amara Haja Miatta	APC	Western Rural	112
2.	Hon. Ansumana Aloysious Bockarie	SLPP	Kailahun	005
3.	Hon. Bangura Mohamed	APC	Karene	066
4.	Hon. Bockarie Momoh	SLPP	Кепета	012
5.	Hon. Braima Zainab Kama	SLPP	Kailahun	010
6.	Hon. Conteh Emmanuel Saidu	APC	Western Urban	129
7.	Hon. Conteh John Charles	APC	Bombali	031
8.	Hon. Fefegula Simeon	SLPP	Moyamba	096
9.	Hon. Finnoh III P. C. Kandeh	-	Bombali	-
10.	Hon. Gbekie Emmanuel Sahr	SLPP	Western Urban	116
11.	Hon. Gevao Moiwo Hindolo	SLPP	Kailahun	003
12.	Hon. Gondor II P. C. Foray Cyril	-	Kailahun	-
13.	Hon. Jalloh Musa Bamba Foray	SLPP	Tonkolili	056
14.	Hon. Kanu Ahmed Joseph	SLPP	Western Rural	108
15.	Hon. Kanu Alimamy Brun	APC	Port Loko	072
16.	Hon. Kargbo Ibrahim Ben	APC	Bombali	034
17.	Hon. Koroma John Telson	SLPP	Western Urban	127
18.	Hon. Kumabeh Jebbeh Alice	SLPP	Bonthe	092
19.	Hon. Macavoray P. C. Kangbai Joe (Prof.)	-	Во	-
20.	Hon. Mansaray Hamidu Holla	APC	Koinadugu	043
21.	Hon. Mbriwa II P. C. Sahr Youngai Kontanday	-	Kono	-
22.	Hon. Sama Musa Shiaka	INDEPENDENT	Pujehun	104
23.	Hon. Sandy Ishmail Sama	SLPP	Во	080
24.	Hon. Sesay Kusan	APC	Koinadugu	045
25.	Hon. Shaw Mohamed Billoh	SLPP	Falaba	039
26.	Hon. Silikie Bashiru	SLPP	Во	082
27.	Hon. Songa Wuyatta Bernadette	SLPP	Kailahun	008
28.	Hon. Tunis Sidie Mohamed	SLPP	Pujehun	101
29.	Hon. Turay Abdul	APC	Western Rural	105
30.	Hon. Turay Alhaji Sorieba	APC	Tonkolili	051
31.	Hon. Vincent Horace E.	SLPP	Western Rural	111





- 1. Mr. Speaker was in his seat at 10:00 a.m.
- 2. Prayers were read by Mr. Francis Ernest Farma (Table Clerk).

#### 3. Suspension of Standing Order 5(2) at 10:25 a.m.

The motion for the suspension of S. O. 5 (2) at 10:25 a.m. was moved by **Hon. Dickson M. Rogers of Constituency 100, Pujehun District** for the commencement of proceedings. The motion was seconded by **Hon. Yusuf Mackery of Constituency 087, Bo District** and approved by the House.

### 4. Amendment of Order Paper.

The Leader of Government Business, Hon. Mathew S. Nyuma of Constituency 019, Kenema District rose to move to amend the Order Paper that item (I) be expunged and item (J) becomes item (I). Also, the report on item (K) be expunged and replaced with "Report on the Oversight Visit to NaCSA and NGOs Development projects in Port Loko, Bombali and tonkolili Districts from Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> to Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> January, 2021." The motion was seconded by Hon. Brima Mansaray of Constituency 017, Kenema District and approved by the House.

### 5. Adoption of The Record of Votes and Proceedings for Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July, 2021:

The motion for the adoption of Record of Votes and Proceedings for Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July, 2021 was moved by Hon. Brima Mansaray of Constituency 017, Kenema District. It was seconded by Hon. Boston Munda of Constituency 021, Kenema District and adopted by the House.

#### 6. Mr. Speaker's Announcements:

The Rt. Hon. Speaker, **Dr. Abass Chernor Bundu**, announced that he was at his seat on time and there was no quorum in the well. He said this problem had become perennial overtime and one cause of this is the services of the canteen. Mr. Speaker said he had directed that no service should be made at 10:00 a.m. which is the commencement of proceedings in the well. In spite of that directive, he said the canteen was still in the habit of making services available before and after 10:00 a.m. He therefore warned that the management of the canteen was threading dangerously on a slippery slope of contempt of Parliament and issued a last and final directive that no services of any kind to be rendered to no Member of Parliament or Staff after 10:00 a.m. Failure to adhere would be deemed contempt of Parliament.

Mr. Speaker said that another reason for the late quorum was because of some so – called Oversight Committee Meetings. He declared that there should be no Oversight Committee after a session had elapsed because a new life of a committee should be constituted. He said unfinished business can be





completed but a new business cannot be started without a composition of the Select Committees at the beginning of a new session.

Lastly, Mr. Speaker encouraged the House to take the Covid 19 vaccine. He said it was free and it was for their own good, the good of their families and their colleague Honourable Members.

#### 7. Laying of Papers:

(a) The Table Clerk, **Mr. Francis Ernest Farma**, called upon the Chairman, Special Select Committee on Water Pollution to lay the Paper that was itemized on the Order Paper.

Paper laid by: Hon. Saa Emerson Lamina

Report of an Investigation on Water Pollution of the Taia/Jong River at Some Communities in Bo and Tonkolili Districts From 20-21<sup>st</sup> March, 2021 by a Special Select Committee on Water Pollution.

(b) The Table Clerk, **Mr. Francis Ernest Farma**, called upon the Chairman, Parliamentary Committee on Planning and Economic Development to lay the Paper that was itemized on the Order Paper.

Paper laid by: Hon. Musa Fofanah

Report of the Parliamentary Committee on Planning and Economic Development:

Assessment of the Status of the Ministry of Planning and Economic Development, Government of Sierra Leone, Donor Supported Feeder Roads Constructions Projects in the Southern Province and Other Engagement within the Ministry of Planning and Economic Development Medium Term National Development Plan, June 2021.

(c) The Table Clerk, **Mr. Francis Ernest Farma**, called upon the Chairman, Parliamentary Oversight Committee on Defence to lay the Paper that was itemized on the Order Paper.

Paper laid by: Hon. Hafiju Maada Kanja

Report of an Oversight Visit to Military Brigade Headquarters across the Country from the 2<sup>nd</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> September 2020.





(d) The Table Clerk, **Mr. Francis Ernest Farma**, called upon the Chairman, Parliamentary Committee on Gender and Children's Affair to lay the Paper that was itemized on the Order Paper.

Paper laid by: Hon. Catherine Zainab Tarawallie

Report on Oversight Visit to Sexual Gender Based Violence One-Stop Centers in Moyamba, Kabala, Port Loko and Western Area from 22<sup>nd</sup> January 25<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

(e) The Table Clerk, **Mr. Francis Ernest Farma**, called upon the Chairman, Parliamentary Committee on Environment to lay the Paper that was itemized on the Order Paper.

Paper laid by: Hon. Yusuf Mackery.

First Report of the Parliamentary Committee on Environment on an Inquiry into Selected Environmental Issues, 2021.

(f) The Table Clerk, **Mr. Francis Ernest Farma**, called upon the Chairman, Parliamentary Committee on Sports to lay the Paper that was itemized on the Order Paper.

Paper laid by: Hon. Alusine Kainde Alu – Conteh.

Assessment of Sports Facilities Engagements with Key Officials of the Ministry of Sports, the National Sports Authority and Heads of Various Sports Associations in Kenema, Bo, Makeni and Freetown.

(g) The Table Clerk, **Mr. Francis Ernest Farma**, called upon the Chairman, Parliamentary Committee on Basic and Senior Secondary Education to lay the Paper that was itemized on the Order Paper.

Paper laid by: Hon. Dominic J. Lavalie-Tshombe

Second Report of the Parliamentary Oversight Committee on Basic and Senior Education on its Visit to Schools and Other Education Stakeholders in the Provinces.

(h) The Table Clerk, **Mr. Francis Ernest Farma**, called upon the Chairman, Parliamentary Committee on Technical and Higher Education to lay the Paper that was itemized on the Order Paper.

Paper laid by: Hon. Mohamed Festus lansana





Second Report of the Parliamentary Oversight Committee on Technical and Higher Education, on its Oversight Activities to Universities and/or Other Tertiary Institutions in the Provinces.

(i) The Table Clerk, **Mr. Francis Ernest Farma**, called upon the Chairman, Parliamentary Committee on Trade and Industry to lay the Paper that was itemized on the Order Paper.

Papers laid by: Hon. Veronica K. Sesay

- (a) Report on Engagements with Business Entities on Scarcity and Price Increment of Building Materials and Food Commodities Held at Parliament from Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> to Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> April, 2021.
- (b) Report on Oversight Visits to Business Entities Under the Supervision of the Ministry of Trade and Industry from Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> to Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2021 in the Northern and Southern Provinces.
- (j) The Table Clerk, **Mr. Francis Ernest Farma**, called upon the Chairman, Parliamentary Committee on National Commission for Social Action (NaCSA) and Non Governmental Organizations (NGOs) to lay the Paper that was itemized on the Order Paper.

Paper laid by: Hon. Dr. Roland F. Kargbo

Report on the Oversight Visit to NaCSA and NGOs Development projects in Port Loko, Bombali and tonkolili Districts from Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> to Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> January, 2021.

(k) The Table Clerk, **Mr. Francis Ernest Farma**, called upon the Minister of Fisheries and Marine Resources to lay the Paper that was itemized on the Order Paper.

Paper laid by: Mrs. Emma Kowa Jalloh.

Agreement on the Economic and Technical Cooperation between the Government of the Republic of Sierra Leone and the Government of the People's Republic of China.

Hon. Mamoud Mark Kalokoh of Constituency 032, Bombali District rose on Standing orders 20 (2)&(3) to inform the House that he had utilized the provision of the standing orders cited and had gone through and completed the process to utilize that tool (Questions to Ministers) he therefore encouraged that the needful be done.

Mr. Speaker directed that all Questions to Ministers in the Clerk's office addressed to various Ministries, Departments and Agencies should see the light of day without further delay.





(I) The Table Clerk, **Mr. Francis Ernest Farma**, called upon the Minister of Works and Public Assets to lay the Paper that was itemized on the Order Paper.

Paper laid by: Mr. Peter Bayuku Conteh

Treaty on the Establishment of the Dakar – Abidjan Corridor Among the Governments of the Republic of Cote D'Ivoire, the Republic of The Gambia, The Republic of Guinea Bissau, The Republic of Liberia, The Republic of Sierra Leone, The Republic of Senegal.

8. BILL: The Universities Act, 2021 by The Minister of Technical and Higher Education.

The Table Clerk, **Mr. Francis Ernest Farma**, called upon The Minister of Technical and Higher Education to do the **First Reading** of the bill.

#### **Introduction and First Reading**

The Minister of Technical and Higher Education, **Dr. Alpha Tejan Wurie**, moved that the bill entitled "The Universities Act, 2021" 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 Minister of Technical and Higher Education to proceed with the **Second Reading** of the bill.

#### **Second Reading:**

The Minister of Technical and Higher Education, **Dr. Alpha Tejan Wurie**, moved that the bill entitled "The Universities Act, 2021" be read the <u>Second Time</u>. He presented the objects and reasons of the bill to the House and again moved that the bill be read the <u>Second Time</u>.





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

The following Honourable Members contributed to the debate.

No.	Names of Hon. Members	Constituency	District
1.	Hon. Mohamed Festus Lansana	015	kenema
2.	Hon. Abdul Kargbo	077	Port loko
3.	Hon. Catherine Zainab Tarawallie	037	Bombali

### 9. Suspension of Standing Order 5(2) at 12:00 p.m.

The motion for the suspension of S. O. 5 (2) at 12:00 p.m. was moved by **Hon. Dickson M. Rogers of Constituency 100, Pujehun District** for the proceedings to continue during lunch. The motion was seconded by **Hon. Sahr Charles of Constituency 028, Kono District** and approved by the House.

	Hon. Catherine Zainab Tarawallie	037	Bombali
4.	Hon. Quintin Salia - Konneh	007	Kailahun
5.	Hon. Abdul Karim Kamara	059	Kambia
6.	Hon. Saa Emmerson Lamina	030	Kono
7.	Hon. Francis A. Kaisamba	020	Kenema
8.	Hon. Dr. Kandeh K. Yumkella	062	Kambia
9.	Hon. Lahai Marah	042	Falaba
10.	Hon. Abdul S. Marray Conteh	130	Western Urban
11.	Hon. P.C Bai Kurr Kanagbaro Sanka	-	Tonkolili
12.	Hon. Chernor R. M. Bah	126	Western Urban
13.	Hon. Hassan A. Sesay	055	Tonkolili
14.	Hon. Mathew S. Nyuma	019	Kenema

### Adjournment:

- Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2021 at 10:00 a.m.
- The House rose at 1:55 p.m.