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SPECIAL SESSION, SEVENTH PARLIAMENT

**REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA  
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**FRIDAY, 14 MARCH 2025**

The Assembly met pursuant to the adjournment.

1. The Speaker took the Chair and read the Prayer and Affirmation.
2. **Announcement by the Speaker in terms of Rule 117(b) of the Standing Rules and Order:**

The Speaker announced that the Committee on Standing Rules and Orders and Internal Arrangements at its meeting held on 6 March 2025, approved the renaming of sites within the precincts of Parliament Building to the following individuals for their contribution and service to this institution.

- (i) The Parliament Restaurant – to be renamed after Hon. Doreen Sioka;
- (ii) The Parliament Clinic - to be renamed after Hon. Elma Dienda; and
- (iii) The Parliamentary Courtyard - to be renamed after Hon. Loide Kasingo.

3. **NOTICE OF A MOTION:**

The Minister of Higher Education, Technology and Innovation moved, seconded by the Deputy Minister of Disability Affairs:

That leave be given to amend the Namibia Financial Assistance Fund Act, 2000, so as to insert new definitions; to provide and enhance objects of the Act and Fund; to integrate the Fund under the auspices of the Ministry of Higher Education, Technology and Innovation; to expand provisions regarding approval of institutions of higher education; to reconstitute the Namibia Students Assistance Fund Board and rename it to the Selection and Advisory Board to advise the Minister, to expand provisions regarding secretariat of the Fund; to expand

provisions of finances of the Fund; to make provision for the application and selection processes; to make provision relating to the recovery of loans, and to provide for incidental matters.

Agreed to.

*Namibia Financial Assistance Fund Amendment Bill* [B. 4 – 2025] read a First Time.

The Minister of Higher Education, Technology and Innovation moved, subject to Rule 168(1) of the Standing Rules and Orders, seconded Hon. Katamelo: That the Bill be read a Second Time.

Agreed to.

*Namibia Financial Assistance Fund Amendment Bill* [B. 4 – 2025] read a Second Time.

4. **FIRST ORDER READ:**

Committee Stage – *Judiciary Amendment Bill* [B. 1 – 2025].

The Minister of Justice moved, seconded by the Deputy Minister of Defence and Veterans Affairs: That the Assembly now goes into Committee.

Agreed to.

ASSEMBLY IN COMMITTEE:

Clause 1 put and agreed to.

Clause 2 put and agreed to.

Title put and agreed to.

ASSEMBLY RESUMED:

*Bill* reported without amendment with 52 voting Members present.

The Minister of Justice moved, seconded by the Minister in the Presidency: That the Bill be read a Third Time.

Agreed to.

*Judiciary Amendment Bill* [B. 1 – 2025] read a Third Time.

5. **SECOND ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – *Public Procurement Amendment Bill* [B. 3 – 2025].

Question before the Assembly on Thursday, 13 March 2025, as moved by the Minister of Finance and Public Enterprises (page 44).

Question put: That the Bill be read a Second Time.

Agreed to

*Public Procurement Amendment Bill [B. 3 – 2025] read a Second Time.*

6. **THIRD ORDER READ:**

Consideration of Committee Report on the parliamentary committee workshop on maximizing the potential of Public Administration, Public Service Management and Public Service Delivery in Namibia.

Hon. Ithete moved, seconded by Hon. Mukapuli: That the Committee Report be considered.

Agreed to.

Question put: That the Committee Report be adopted.

Agreed to.

7. **FOURTH ORDER READ:**

Consideration of Committee Report on the Motion on the Devastating Strike at the Namibian Broadcasting Corporation (NBC).

Hon. Katjingisua moved, seconded by Hon. Kooper: That the Committee Report be considered.

Agreed to.

Question put: That the Committee Report be adopted.

Agreed to.

8. **FIFTH ORDER** already adopted.

9. **SIXTH ORDER READ:**

Consideration of Committee Report on the Motion requesting the Assembly to carry out a comprehensive inquiry into all aspects of the procedures dictating the Tender-Awarding Process of the Central Procurement Board of Namibia.

Hon. Ithete moved, seconded by Hon. Katoma: That the Committee Report be considered.

Agreed to.

Question put: That the Report be adopted.

Agreed to.

10. **SEVENTH ORDER READ:**

Consideration of Committee Report on Capital Projects of the Ministry of Justice (Vote 16) Medium Term Framework, from 2020/2021 up to 2024/25

Hon. Karondo moved, seconded by Hon. Elago: That the Committee Report be considered.

Agreed to.

Question put: That the Report be adopted.

Agreed to.

11. **EIGHTH ORDER READ:**

Consideration of Committee Report on the Motion requesting the Assembly to investigate the possibility of overcharges and unethical multiple charges resulting in over-profiteering by commercial banks in Namibia

Hon. Ithete moved, seconded by Hon. Tweya: That the Committee Report be considered.

Agreed to.

Question put: That the Report be adopted.

Agreed to.

12. **NINTH ORDER** already adopted.

13. **TENTH ORDER READ:**

Consideration of Committee Report on the Motion requesting the Assembly to address the Notion of One Namibia One Nation and how it relates to various opportunities, equitable wealth distribution and resource allocation.

Hon. Ithete moved, seconded by Hon. Tweya: That the Committee Report be considered.

Agreed to.

Question put: That the Report be adopted.

Agreed to.

14. In terms of Rule 155(1) of the Standing Rules and Orders, the Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 12:35 until Monday, 17 March 2025, 14:30.

**MR. O. MUYATWA**

*Acting Secretary: National Assembly*

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