

**REPUBLIC OF KENYA**  
**COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF KILIFI**

**THE HANSARD**

**Wednesday, 28<sup>th</sup> March, 2018**

*The House met at the County Assembly Chamber,  
Malindi Town, at 2.30 p.m.*

*[The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Kenga) in the Chair]*

**PRAYERS**

**PAPER LAID**

REPORT ON THE KILIFI COUNTY FINANCE BILL, 2017

**Hon. Kiraga:** Thank you so much Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I beg to lay on the Table the Report of the Budget and Appropriations Committee on the Kilifi County Finance Bill, 2017.

*(Hon. Kiraga laid the document on the Table)*

**STATEMENTS**

IMPASSABLE ROAD ALONG BAMBA TO MIDOINA IN BAMBA WARD

**Hon. Shaban:** Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir. I am standing on behalf of hon. Christopher Mwambire who is currently on official duty at Bamba Sub-county hospital. I beg to read a Statement to the County Executive Committee Member in charge of Transport and Public Works through the Chairperson Committee on Transport and Public Works on impassable roads along Bamba to Midoina in Bamba Ward:-

Whether the County Executive Committee Member is aware that the rainy season has rendered approximately 7km stretch of road from Bamba to Midoina impassable? If yes, what measures has the County Committee Executive Member taken?

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Kenga): Thank you very much hon. Member. Is the Chairperson for Transport Committee present in the House? If not, then let the Vice-Chairperson make sure he takes up the matter and he should be able to bring a Response to this Assembly within a period of 14 days from today. Thank you. Proceed hon. Member to the next Statement.

ADMINISTRATION OF GROUP RANCHES IN BAMBA WARD

**Hon. Shaban:** I beg to seek a Statement from the County Executive Committee Member in charge of the Department of Lands, Energy, Housing and Urban Development through the

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Chairperson of Lands, Energy, Housing and Settlement, Physical Planning and Urban Development Committee on the administration of group ranches in Bamba Ward:-

Whether the County Executive Committee Member in charge of the Department of Lands, Energy, Housing and Urban Development is aware that, historical land owned by group ranches i.e. Mnagoni, Mapotea, Dola, Biryra and Kilifi Ranch in Bamba Ward have disputes on the rightful usage which may led to conflict between residents and pastoralists in the area? If yes, what actions and plans are there to solve this problem?

Thank you.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Kenga): Thank you very much hon. Member. Is the Chairperson for Lands Committee for the County Assembly of Kilifi present? What of the Vice-Chairperson? Do we have a Member in this House who is also a Member of the Lands Committee? If yes, then let that hon. Member take up the matter and make sure a Response is brought before this Assembly within a period of 14 days from today. Thank you. Let us proceed to the next Statement. I can see its still from the same Member.

#### MTSARA WA TSATSU LAND ADJUDICATION IN BAMBA WARD

**Hon. Shaban:** I wish to seek a Statement to the County Executive Committee Member in charge of the Department of Lands, Energy, Housing and Urban Development through the Chairperson of Lands, Energy, Housing and Settlement, Physical Planning and Urban Development Committee on the Mtsara wa Tsatsu land adjudication in Bamba Ward:-

Whether the County Executive Committee Member in charge of the Department of Lands, Energy, Housing and Settlement, Physical Planning and Urban Development is aware that the Mtsara wa Tsatsu location land adjudication was not completed for the two sub-locations; Chira and Wacho sub-location?

Whether he is also aware that some land owners were left out in the process of land adjudication and the Committee has not resolved all the disputes? If yes, what action and plans are there to complete the process of land adjudication in the said sub-locations?

Thank you.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Kenga): Thank you once again hon. Member. Hon. Frank Kimosho, please take up the issue and make sure that a comprehensive Response is brought before the Assembly within a period of 14 days from today. Let us move to the next Statement sought by hon. Peter Ngoa Ziro, the Member for Garashi Ward.

#### SUSPENSION OF SERVICES AT THE KILIFI LAND REGISTRY OFFICE

**Hon. Ziro:** Thank you Mr. Speaker. I beg to seek a Statement to the County Executive Committee Member in charge of the Department of Lands, Energy, Housing and Urban Development through the Chairperson of Lands, Energy, Housing and Settlement Physical Planning and Urban Development Committee on the suspension of services at the lands registry office:-

Whether the County Executive Committee Member (CECM) in charge of the Department of Lands, Energy, Housing and Settlement, Physical Planning and Urban Development is aware that the three registrars at Kilifi Land registry office have been transferred with no replacements, leading to suspensions of service delivery for a week now? If yes, what measures has the CECM taken to curb this menace?

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Thank you, Mr. Speaker?

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Kenga): Thank you. Again, the Member who is also the Minority Whip and Member of Lands Committee County Assembly of Kilifi seems to be having a lot of work for the Committee but make sure you take up the matter and within a period of 14 days, a Response is brought before the Assembly.

## BILL

### *Second reading*

#### THE KILIFI COUNTY FINANCE BILL, 2017

*(By leave of the House)*

**Hon. Kiraga:** Thank you Mr. Speaker. I beg to move that the Kilifi County Finance Bill, 2017 be now read a Second Time. Mr. Speaker, allow me to give few highlights contained in the Bill. First, I would like to say that we are very late in the passage of the Finance Bill. If you look at our Standing Orders if I am not mistaken, Standing Order No. 112 states that in a span of 90 days after the passage or enactment of the Appropriation Bill... this Bill should have been enacted and we passed the estimates a very long time ago and I don't think we are doing good to the people of Kilifi because the collections being realized from the different streams we might say are a bit illegal because there is no law to give them authority.

The purpose of the Finance Bill is to give authority for the County Government to collect some revenues. So in absence of this Act, we are doing an illegality. Allow me to give some few highlights in this Bill which is a very consultative document with some stakeholders, starting with the County Assembly Members. I understand we had an engagement with the Members and the CECM and all those are provided for in our Standing Orders.

If you look at the finance and economic planning section that is on page four on the document, we have an application for a stadium or park. As a Committee, we felt that religious, charitable organizations and public institutions should be exempted from the fees in that category but only if they have applied for exemption.

In the Agricultural, Livestock and Fisheries Department, the Committee has even introduced a transit fee per jerry can; this means the palm wine that is being transported from our county to other counties should attract a fee of Kshs 100 to other counties. While inside our county, instead of having 50 shillings per jerry can as it was in the last Finance Act, we have suggested that instead of Kshs 50... you know these mothers and fathers who take palm wine from... Mr. Speaker, if you can allow me I want to quote '*wachuuzi*'; as a Committee, we have recommended that instead of them being charged Kshs 50 per jerry can in those *mangwes*, they are now to be charged Kshs 900 per month and if you translate that per day it is 30 shillings. We are doing this to at least promote our local people.

Again, if you go to the same Department, on ploughing, the Committee has recommended a flat rate of 1,000 shillings per acre and we have also given a caution to the Executive Member for Agriculture that in the 2016 Financial Act, per acre is Kshs 1000 but on the ground some farmers have been charged Kshs 1,500. That was against the laws and this time round, we don't want that mistake to be repeated. We want anything that is being collected in our territory that is Kilifi County to be captured in the Finance Act and nothing short of that.

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We have also proposed the tractors on transit..., you understand that during this rainy season, there are a lot of tractors from different areas and we really encourage them to come because what we have is not sufficient but we have introduced a fee of Kshs 5, 000 per year so that tractors coming to our county will be compelled to pay Ksh5, 000 for them to do business in this county. This is on the lower side bearing in mind that most of the owners of these tractors charge almost Kshs 3500 per acre and I believe this is two acres and they are done.

The Department of Water, Forestry and Natural Resources on the issue of the charcoal, that is on page 26 of this Bill, as a Committee we have given this recommendation; I think you can see 90kgs of forest product that is the charcoal that is Kshs 300. So our recommendation is we deleted that in line with the government policy. You understand in the past few weeks, the government has banned cutting down of trees and the charcoal business. We felt that including such an item will now be legalizing it. So that is our recommendation.

In the Departments of Lands, Energy, Housing and Physical Planning, there was an item from the Executive that the village petroleum vendors be charged Kshs 6,000; we have also deleted that item because we understand that that is an illegal business to put it as a law we shall be doing an illegality. So we have deleted it and whoever is in that business let him be in that business at his own risk but as far as revenue collection is concerned, we cannot be held liable.

In the Education, Infrastructure and E-government, that is page 52, we are also in line with the Devolved Acts and the prime law; the youths, women and the special groups if they apply for exception, they can also be exempted.

In the Health Department on page 52, the Executive has proposed mortuary charges but we have gone ahead to halve whatever has been proposed by the Executive, and this time, a instead of postmortem costing 1,500 shillings, it is going to cost the residents of Kilifi 750 shillings. We are doing this because we have seen in the recent past; our public mortuaries are under-utilized. Most people are going to the private sectors and I think the charges can be one of the biggest issues with residents going to the private mortuary; in Malindi they mostly go to Star mortuary.

On the issue of ambulance, this time round Mr. Speaker, the Committee has recommended that ambulance services within our territory in Kilifi County should be free. We do not want to see a situation where residents are being charged in our county and this should also serve a warning to the Executive Member in charge of Health Services in Kilifi County that we are not going to allow our people to be charged ambulance charges in our territory.

We have also suggested that referral from our own institution to our neighboring counties be Kshs 5, 000. There has been a lot of mistreatment as far as referral is concerned. Some have even been charged Kshs 15, 000 just from Malindi to Makadara in Mombasa and they are being compelled to pay before the referral form is signed.

Mr. Speaker, we have also put a recommendation as a Committee that this Kshs 5,000 should form part and parcel of his/her bill but he/she should not be compelled to pay before being referred.

I wish to say that if this Bill is passed and gets to the second stage and eventually to the third stage and lastly is passed by this County Assembly, I believe there are so many good things in this Bill and I believe our own people in Kilifi will have very good services.

Mr. Speaker, I have this to say; what we are doing here is concerning revenue collection in our county. We have discovered that this county has got a lot of resources but the enforcement as far as collecting the revenue is wanting and the Executive should pull up their socks. Already it is in the news that Nairobi County is collecting around Kshs 100 million per day and if you

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look at where we are, we have almost collapsed three quarters and we have not reached Kshs 300 million. This is the fact and we are now going to the last quarter of this financial year and the last time I checked, we were at around Kshs 180 something million. So the collecting agencies should really pull up their socks.

More so; the issue of Rain Drops company; Mr. Speaker, I have this to say; if the courts are not going to hasten the verdict, I believe this thing is in court, what as a Committee we are going to do is ask this House to scrap all streams which are within the mandate of Rain Drops. We scrap them so that we tell the people of Kilifi that these streams are free to collect because you can only be given the mandate of collection of local revenue by the Finance Act. So if we have scraped off items and everything is free, I do not think they will be liable to collect anything. So let the courts hasten this. With those few remarks, I call upon hon. Pascal the Member for Mwanamwinga Ward to second. Thank you.

*(Hon. Pascal seconded)*

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Kenga): Thank you very much hon. Member.

*(Question proposed)*

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Kenga): Yes hon. Member, make your request.

**Hon. Pascal:** Thank you Mr. Speaker, for giving me the opportunity to contribute on the subject matter that is before this House. Mr. Speaker, allow me to actually ventilate and support most of the items and issues that have been brought by the Chairperson. As a Member of this Committee, we have actually proposed and given recommendations on the issues that would encourage our County Government to enhance the revenue part.

Mr. Speaker, as we went through the issues that touch on revenue collection, we also identified an item that dwelt on the county houses. We have so many county houses that have been rented to individuals and if they are well managed then this County Government will fetch a good portion of revenue from them. However, we have come to realize that these houses were rented to a few individuals who also sublet them on a higher price. They were given to them at a lower rent but these individuals sublet these houses to other people at a very high rate. Something that we realized if caution is taken and the Executive is keen enough, they will actually get good revenue out of these houses. That is why we proposed for them to be given a span of time to carry out some kind of audit on these houses to see how they can value them. After that, hand them over to new tenants and introduce proportioned rate that would support this County Government.

Again, we as a Committee support this Bill because it has been very considerate of the people themselves. The rates that have been put for the *mboga* sellers and those mothers who do business in this county have been fair. If you go further in this law, you will find out that sellers of *mchicha* and tomatoes are allowed to pay ten shillings per day. That is something that we think will actually uplift the standard of business of our people because we know many of these sellers are also parents who need to take their children to school. Therefore, as a Committee, we thought that putting a reasonable figure will actually support them into doing business that is giving them enough money to take care of their families.

Mr. Speaker, again, we understand that we have seen a lot of women venturing into the *mnazi* business. That is why as a Committee, we sat and instead of charging Kshs 50 per jerry

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can, we thought it is wise we give them a monthly pay of Kshs 900 as the Chair was putting it. This is also to encourage the coconut planters, tappers and those vendors who deal in palm wine an opportunity to enhance their business. This is not to say we support *mnazi* (palm wine) drinking; it is the business that we support so that we can see our people transporting this wine to other areas and as a result, harvest in terms of business.

Again Mr. Speaker, we have reduced the mortuary fees as you have seen. Many of our people have always had a trend of taking the dead to private mortuaries and this is one way of losing revenue on our side. So we tried to lower the charges so that we would attract so many people who have lost their loved ones to invest in the county mortuaries and bring some bit of revenue to our county.

Mr. Speaker, there is a proposal in this law on the water that is taken by salt producers in the salt firms. We have proposed that we should have metres in those companies so that we can measure the amount of water that is used per day by those people who produce salt. This is to say we want them to pay according to the amount of water that they use. That is our resource; it has not gotten anywhere. It is a resource that we have as a county and therefore we need to properly utilize it. We cannot leave it hollow like that for them to use the way they want; we want them to use per units and pay according to the units they have consumed.

On the issue of cess for the sisal and salt firms, for many years and according to the information we have, the review of the fees for the salt and sisal cess was done in 2008 and these people have been paying Kshs 60 per tonne. When you try to compare 2008 to date it, translates to a lot of time that has gone by and there has been no review on the cess of these rates. That is why there is a proposal that we move from 60 shillings to 200 shillings per tonne that would be good revenue towards our county. Therefore, the reason why I am calling upon Members to support this Bill is that from the range of Kshs 60 to Ksh200 per tonne, I believe this county would be collecting a lot of revenue and we will actually be covering the gaps that we have as a county.

As I wind up, Mr. Speaker, let me concur with my Chairperson that we have for many years been unable to meet our revenue gaps because we have discovered that there is a lot to be done in revenue collection especially at the Executive. They need to ensure that they automate cess collection because we have seen it is like nothing good is coming from them. If cess collection is automated then I believe we would be able to do away with corrupt officers whom we have entrusted in revenue collection.

Mr. Speaker, I wish to wind up by urging my fellow hon. Members to support the Committee's recommendations so that we can start because we know we are behind schedule and we are left with only three months to the end of this financial year. So time is not on our side and I kindly ask my fellow hon. Members to actually support the Bill before the House so that we can actually wind up on the few months that are remaining. Thank you very much Mr. Speaker, Sir.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Kenga): Thank you very much hon. Member for your elaborate contribution. Just an observation; you support the *mnazi* business but you do not support drinking of palm wine. There is a request from the hon. Member Dickson Shaban, please proceed.

**Hon. Shaban:** Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir. First and foremost, I want to thank the Budget Committee for the good work that they have done and to be happy that the proposals that we made as a House last Friday most of them were captured in the Finance Bill. What remains now is that we need to have a proper mechanism for the collection of these taxes because we can

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pass the Finance Bill but if we do not have proper mechanisms of getting these monies, then we will be failing. I want to agree that this Finance Bill is very friendly to most of the people in Kilifi County who are doing business and those people who require our services.

The issue of ambulance which has been zero-rated will help the common Mwananchi to ease the burden of transport in case a person is very sick because sometimes you are a sick person and then you are given that burden of hiring an ambulance from one point to another and eventually this cost comes to *waheshimiwa*. Sometimes we are being called by our people that we need to cater for transport services. By having the zero-rated ambulances, then we should be good to go. I want to agree with my fellow Members that this Finance Bill is one of the best that we are going to pass. I remember last time this House approved a Finance Bill which made people go on demonstration. I remember this very well because by that time, I was working with one of the human rights organizations and when these people came to consult us because of this Finance Bill, the best thing we could have told them was to go to the streets and protest but now we are having a very friendly Finance Bill. I hope and pray that we will not have a repeat of the same. So, I support and I urge Members to give their support so that we can have the Finance Bill passed. Thank you very much Mr. Speaker, Sir.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Kenga): Hon. Members, I now put the question that the Kilifi County Finance Bill, 2017 be now read a Second Time.

*(Question put agreed to)*

*(The Bill was read a Second Time and committed to the Committee  
Of the Whole House today by leave of the House)*

**Hon. Ziro:** I wanted to contribute to the Bill but you went so fast to put the Question so I think I am time-barred unless maybe you...

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Kenga): You are out of Order hon. Member...

**Hon. Ziro:** No, it is you who was fast Mr. Speaker...

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Kenga): I gave an opportunity, please take your seat. Only two Members had made requests to make contributions. You should have raised your request earlier so that you would be on the waiting list.

**Hon. Ziro:** Thank you Mr. Speaker.

## COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

*(Order for Committee read)*

*[The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Kenga) left the Chair]*

## IN THE COMMITTEE

*[The Temporary Chairperson (Hon. (Ms.) Maneno) took the Chair]*

## THE KILIFI COUNTY FINANCE BILL, 2017

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**The Chairperson** (Hon. (Ms.) Maneno: Hon. Members, welcome to the Committee of the Whole House. We are now considering the Kilifi County Finance Bill, 2017. I call upon the Clerk-at-the-Table to take us through the Clauses and Schedules.

*(Clauses 3 and 4 agreed to)*

*The First Schedule*

**Hon. Kiraga:** Madam Chairperson, I beg to move:-

THAT, the First Schedule be amended as follows;

**PART I: FINANCE AND ECONOMIC PLANNING**

THAT, religious, charitable and public institutions to apply for exemption on charges for hire of stadium/park per day.

*Justification; these are nonprofit making organizations.*

**PART II: AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK DEVELOPMENT & FISHERIES**

THAT, Palm wine cess at organized sale points (mangwe) which was charged at ksh. 50 per twenty liter jerry can to be charged a monthly fee of Kshs 900.

*Justification; monthly fees ensure effective revenue collection by reducing the risk of collusion between revenue collectors and vendors.*

THAT, sisal Cess to be charged at Kshs 200 per ton irrespective of large or small scale farms.

*Justification; to ensure the principle of equity in taxation is adhered to.*

THAT, full board single room (Non self-contained) to be reduced from Kshs 1,900.00 to Kshs 1,800.00 while Full board double room (Non self-contained) to be increased to Kshs 2,000.00 from Kshs 1,900.00

*Justification; these are two facilities with different features.*

THAT, livestock on transit entry fee (entry points Mariakani, Mtwapa and Mwendapole) to be charged per head as follows;

- i) Cow Kshs 200.00
- ii) Goat and Sheep Kshs 100.00
- iii) Camel Kshs 300.00 and
- iv) poultry Kshs 20.00

*Justification; This categorization will ensure ease of collection.*

THAT, slaughter house license (Category B) be charged at Kshs . 5000 instead of the proposed Kshs 4000 and (Category C ) slaughter slab be charged at Kshs 3000 instead of Kshs 2000.

*Justification; the traders have been paying the same fees for the last five years.*

THAT, milk and milk products cess per unit litre be charged at Kshs 1 and not per ton.

*Justification; to ensure equity*

THAT, fine for stray pets/animals in CBD be charged per head as follows;

- i) Kshs 100 per goat and sheep, and
- ii) Kshs 200 for Cow as well as categorized exotic pets.

*Justification; to discourage stray animals in CBD.*

**PART IV: WATER, FORESTRY, ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES**

THAT, cess on Mapande to be included in the Finance Bill, 2017 and charged per trip as follows;

- i) Lorry below 5 tons Kshs 400,
- ii) Lorry 5-10 tons Kshs 700 and
- iii) Lorry above 10 tons Kshs 1000.

*Justification; there was no legislation for mapande cess previously making collection illegal.*

THAT, salt cess per tonne be increased from ksh. 60.00 to ksh. 200.00

*Justification; the cess for salt has not been revised since 2008, there is need to charge the cess as per the current micro-economic environment.*

**PART V: LANDS, ENERGY, HOUSING & PHYSICAL PLANNING**

THAT, insert the words “for commercial purpose only” after the words “generation project” to the licensing of electricity so as to read new fee of Kshs 5,000 for “licensing of electricity (wind, solar, biogas and biomass) generation projects for commercial purpose only” and maintain the 5,000.00 charge newly introduced.

*Justification; this is an alternative source of energy to discourage tree cutting for charcoal production.*

**PART VI: PUBLIC WORKS, ROADS AND TRANSPORT**

THAT, fire safety inspection fees be amended as follows;

1. That, license for Medium Transport Company from 6 to 30 vehicles be reduced from Kshs 2500.00 to Kshs 2000.00
2. That, license for Small Transport Company from 2 to 5 vehicles to be reduced from Kshs 2500.00 to Kshs 1500.00
3. That, license for Medium Petrol Station from 4 to 6 pumps or with Garage, workshop or retail shop be reduced from Kshs 3000.00 to Kshs 2500.00
4. That, license for Small petrol filling station up to 3 pumps without Garage, workshop or retail shop to be reduced from Kshs 3000.00 to Kshs 2000.00.
5. That, license for Medium Cold Storage Facility between (100 – 1000m<sup>2</sup>) be reduced from Kshs 3000.00 to Kshs 2500.00
6. That, license for Small Cold Storage Facility upto 100m<sup>2</sup> be reduced from Kshs 2500.00 to Kshs 2000.00
7. That, license for Medium Communications Company premises from 1000 to 2499m<sup>2</sup> be reduced from Kshs 2500.00 to Kshs 2000.00.
8. That, license for Medium Agricultural Producer/Processor / Dealer less than 49 acres be reduced from Kshs 4000 to Kshs 3000.

*Justification; inspection fees for large, medium and small business entities be charged differently.*

**PART VIII: EDUCATION, INFORMATION, COMMUNICATION & E-GOVERNMENT**

THAT, fees for local film shooting per day, be reduced from Kshs 30,000.00 to Kshs 20,000.00 and Movies be reduced from Kshs 18,750.00 to Kshs 10,000.00.

THAT, youth, women and special groups registered under an organization to apply for exemption for local film shooting and movies per day.

*Justification; this will encourage the local people enroll in entertainment ventures hence creating job opportunities.*

**PART IX: HEALTH SERVICES**

THAT, all mortuary charges be reduced by half as follows;

THAT, Post Mortem fees from 1,500.00 to 750.00

THAT, Partial Embalming fees reduced from 3,000.00 to 1, 500.00

THAT, Complete Embalming fees reduced fro, 6,000.00 to 3,000.00

THAT, Mortuary Charges per day be reduced from 300.00 to 150.00

*Justification; to reduce the cost for losing loved ones.*

THAT, Ambulance services within the county be zero rated.

*Justification; this is in support of the accessible, equitable and quality health care services agenda.*

**GENERAL COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE BILL**

THAT, the Treasury should ensure maximum collection and enforcement of these taxes. The Committee is privy to the fact that not all taxes included in the bill are currently being enforced hence the County loses a lot of income due to administrative flaws.

THAT, the Department of Trade, Industrialization, Cooperative Development, Tourism and Wildlife should construct a jetty that allows for tourists to have a full view of the scenery at River Sabaki which would earn the County more revenue if it's transformed into a tourist attraction site.

THAT, the Department of Trade, Industrialization, Cooperative Development, Tourism and Wildlife should research on the current rental market rate on stalls since the rent on the county owned market stalls should not have a big disparity with the privately owned market stalls.

THAT, the Treasury should update the valuation roll so as to include ratable properties that might not be in the existing valuation roll.

THAT, the Department of Agricultural, Livestock and Fisheries should avail the Agriculture Mechanization Schedule (AMS) to the Budget and Appropriations Committee for subsequent review of the rates and charges.

THAT, the Department of Lands, Energy Housing and Physical Planning should consider tenancy audit of County Houses since it has been observed that a few individuals are renting/subletting at higher rates than those charged by the County.

THAT, the Department of Water, Forestry, Environment and Natural Resources should consider installing meter readers on Salt firms so as to introduce a charge on the amount of sea water the firms use for the production of Salt.

THAT, the Department should also identify other natural resources such a gem stones in Jaribuni to enhance revenue collection of natural resources.

*(Question of the amendments proposed)*

*(Question, that the words to be left out, be left out put and agreed to)*

*(Question, that the words to be inserted in place thereof be inserted, put and agreed to)*

*(The First Schedule as amended agreed to)*

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*(The Second Schedule agreed to)*

*(Clause 2 agreed to)*

*Short Title*

**Hon. Kiraga:** Thank you Madam Chairperson. I beg to move:-

THAT, the Short Title be amended to read “an Act of the County Assembly and shall come into operations upon assent by the Governor”.

*Justification; this is to ensure that all revenue streams are operationalized upon assent of this Bill by the Governor.*

*(Question of the amendment proposed)*

*(Question, that the words to be left out, be left out put and agreed to)*

*(Question, that the words to be inserted in place thereof be inserted, put and agreed to)*

*(The Short Title as amended agreed to)*

*(The long Title agreed to)*

**The Temporary Chairperson** (Hon. (Ms.) Maneno): Thank you hon. Members. We have come to the end of the Committee of the Whole House. I call upon the hon. Chairperson for Budget and Appropriations Committee.

**Hon. Kiraga:** Thank you so much Madam Chairperson. I beg to move that the Committee do report to the House its considerations of the Kilifi County Finance Bill, 2017 and its approval thereof with amendments.

*(Question Proposed)*

*(Question Put and agreed to)*

*(The House Resumed)*

*[The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Kenga) in the Chair]*

## REPORT, CONSIDERATION OF REPORT AND THIRD READING

### THE KILIFI COUNTY FINANCE BILL, 2017

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Kenga): Yes please proceed Madam Chairperson.

**Hon. (Ms.) Maneno:** Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir. I beg to report that the Committee of the Whole House has considered the Kilifi County Finance Bill, 2017, and approved the same with amendments. Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Kenga): Yes the Mover, please proceed.

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**Hon. Kiraga:** Thank you Mr. Speaker. I beg to move that the House do agree with the Committee in the said Report.

*(Hon. (Ms.) Victorine Seconded)*

*(Question proposed)*

*(Question put and agreed to)*

**Hon. Kiraga:** Thank you so much Mr. Speaker. I beg to move that the Kilifi County Finance Bill, 2017, be now read a Third Time. It is very paramount for us to go to the Third Reading at this juncture knowing that this Bill is late in its passage and I will really request your office to allow this Bill to go to the Third Reading which will eventually be determined by this House and after that, it goes to the Governor for assent. So, I really request us to go to the Third Reading. Thank you.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Kenga): Secunder?

**Hon. Kiraga:** I still call upon hon. (Ms.) Nyamolo (Victorine) to second.

*(Hon. (Ms.) Victorine Seconded)*

*(Question proposed)*

**Hon. (Ms.) Victorine:** Thank you Speaker. I do support that this Bill be read a Third Time because time is running out and we really need to work for the people of Kilifi County. Thank you.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Kenga): Thank you. There is a request from hon. Pascal Jacob Thuva.

**Hon. Pascal:** Thank you Mr. Speaker. I also call upon the Bill to be read a Third Time. As we heard from the submissions of the Chairperson that we are having just a quarter to wind up the year yet we only have Kshs100 million or so and this could be because we are using the expired revenue law to collect revenue. The new proposals that we have made as a Committee will actually give power to the County Government to collect the remaining ...

*(Hon. Pascal spoke off record)*

...probably to the assent of this law, we will have given the power to the County Government to actually collect the revenue. Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir.

**Hon. Ziro:** Thank you Mr. Speaker. I also stand to propose that the Bill be read a Third Time. If you look at the proposals that have been made in this particular Bill, they are quite friendly to the people of Kilifi. There have been quarrels between farmers and people who are living next to each other due to stray pets and if you look at the Bill, there is the introduction of charges for stray pets am very sure that the introduction of charges will reduce quarrels because most people will be taking care of their animals so that they do not go to other peoples' properties because most people will be taking care of their animals and for that, I stand to support that Bill.

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Again, with the reduction of market charges, this will help people with small businesses like if you look at page five where we have the charges for a tray of eggs at Ksh.15 or onions at Ksh15, chicken at market place at ksh15, this is going to enhance trade in our county and therefore I fully support this Bill being read for a Third Time. Thank you.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Kenga): Once again, thank you very much Members for your contributions. I now put the question that the Kilifi County Finance Bill be now read a Third Time.

*(Question put and agreed to)*

*(The Bill was accordingly read the Third Time and passed)*

### **ADJOURNMENT MOTION**

#### **SHORT RECESS**

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Kenga): Hon. Members, pursuant to Standing Order number 25 (3); this House adjourns for the Second Session first part short recess beginning Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> March, 2018, to Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> April, 2018. This House resumes its plenary sittings on Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> April, 2018. Thank you.

**The House rose at 4: 25 p.m.**