REPUBLIC OF KENYA

COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF MACHAKOS

OFFICIAL REPORT

Tuesday, 1st October, 2024

The House met at 2.53 p.m.

[The Speaker (Hon. (Mrs.) Kiusya) in the Chair]

PRAYERS

(Then)

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE

(Order for Committee read)

[Hon. Speaker left the Chair]

IN THE COMMITTEE

[Hon. Chairperson (Mr. Stephen Mwanthi) took the Chair]

THE MACHAKOS COUNTY HEALTH SERVICES (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2023 – KENYA, GAZETTE SUPPLEMENT NO. 8 (MACHAKOS COUNTY BILLS NO.5)

Hon. Chairperson: Hon. Members, we have several amendments to this Bill; they are not so many so I think we can go through them very fast so that we may finish.

(Clause 2 agreed to)

(Clause 3 agreed to)

Clause 3

Hon. Vincent Mutie (Upper Kaewa/Iveti, WDM-K): Mr. Chairman, I beg to move that the Bill be amended in Clause 3 by deleting the entire clause and substituting therefor the following new clause—

Amendment of Section 5 of No. 7 of 2021

3. The Principal Act is amended by deleting Section 5 and substituting therefor the following new Section 5—

5. (1) The Chairperson of the County Health Management Team referred to in section 10(2)(a) of the FIF Act, shall be the County Director responsible for matters relating to Medical Services.

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(2) The Team may co-opt an officer, an expert or a consultant as may be necessary to assist in the discharge of its functions.

(Question of the amendment proposed)

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

(Clause 3 as amended agreed to)

Clause 4

Hon. Vincent Mutie (Upper Kaewa/Iveti, WDM-K): Mr. Chairman, I beg to move that the Bill be amended in Clause 4 by deleting and substituting therefor the following new clause—

Amendment of Section 6 of No. 7 of 2021

The Principal Act is amended by deleting Section 6 and substituting therefor the following new section 6—

4. In addition to the function s of the County Health Management Team provided for under Section 11 of the FIF Act the team shall—

- (a) Collaborate with state and non-state actors at the County and with other counties on health matters;
- (b) Establish functional referral systems within the County and with other counties, and between different levels of the health care system in line with the sector referral strategy; and
- (c) Co-ordinate research activities on matters relating to health.

(Question of the amendment proposed)

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

(Clause 4 as amended agreed to)

Clause 5

Hon. Vincent Mutie (Upper Kaewa/Iveti, WDM-K): Mr. Chairman, I beg to move that the Bill be amended in Clause 5 by deleting Clause 5 and substituting therefor the following new clause—

Amendment of Section 8 of No. 7 of 2021

5. The Principal Act is amended by deleting section 8 and substituting therefor the following new section—

- 8. (1) The Chairperson of the Sub- County Health Management Team shall be the Health Officer in-charge of the sub-county appointed under section 12 (2) (a) of the FIF Act.
- (2) The Secretary of the Sub- County Health Management Team shall be the medical superintendent appointed under section 12 (2) (d) of the FIF Act.

(3) In addition to the functions of the Sub- County Health Management Team provided for under Section 13 of the FIF Act the team shall—

i. Coordinate the implementation of all the health laws and policies in the sub-county;

ii. collaborate with state and non-state actors at the subcounty on health services;

iii. link the county department of health with the national ministry responsible for health at sub county level;

iv. supervise health facilities at sub county level;

v. mobilize resources for sub-county health services;

vi. establish functional referral systems between the different levels of the health care; system in line with the sector referral strategy;

vii. assure quality and compliance;

viii. coordinate research activities on matters relating to health; and

ix. co-ordinate matters relating to public health in the sub county.

(Question of the amendment proposed)

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

(*Clause 5 as amended agreed to*)

Clause 6

Hon. Vincent Mutie (Upper Kaewa/Iveti, WDM-K): Mr. Chairman, I beg to move that the Bill be amended by deleting Clause 6.

(Question of the amendment proposed)

(Question, that the words to be left out be left out,

put and agreed to)

(Clause 6 as amended agreed to)

(Clause 7 as amended agreed to)

Clause 8

Hon. Vincent Mutie (Upper Kaewa/Iveti, WDM-K): Mr. Chairman, I beg to move that the Bill be amended in Clause 8 by deleting and substituting therefor the following new clause—

Amendment of section 11 of No. 7 of 2021

8. (a) The Principal Act is amended by deleting section 11 and substituting therefor the following new section—

Hospital Management Board

11. (1) There is established a Board in each hospital to be known as a Hospital Management Board.

(2) The Board shall consist of the following members appointed by the Executive Committee Member—

(a) the medical superintendent, who shall be an *ex-officio* member and Secretary to the Board;

(b) the sub-county medical officer of health;

(c) the hospital administrator;

(d) a representative of women, who is resident in the sub county in which the hospital is situated and nominated by the largest umbrella organization of women's organizations in the sub county;

(e) a representative of men, who is resident in the sub county in which the hospital is situated and nominated by the largest umbrella organization of men's organizations in the sub county;

(f) a representative of youth, who is resident in the sub county in which the hospital is situated and nominated by the largest umbrella organization of youth organizations in the sub county;

(g) a representative of faith-based organizations, who is resident in the sub county in which the hospital is situated and nominated the largest umbrella organization of faith-based organizations in the sub county;

(h) a representative of persons living with disability, who is resident in the sub county in which the hospital is situated and nominated by the largest umbrella organization of persons with disabilities in the sub county;

(i) A representative from the Institute of Public Accountants of Kenya who resides in the county.

(3) A person is qualified to be nominated as member of the Board under paragraphs (2) (d), (e), (f), (g), (h) and (i) if that person holds a minimum of a diploma from an institution recognized in Kenya.

(4) The chairperson of the Board shall be elected from amongst the members nominated under paragraphs 2 (d), (e), (f), (g) and (h).

(5) A person is qualified to be elected as chairperson under subsection (4) if that person has a minimum of a first degree from a university recognized in Kenya.

(6) The Executive Committee member shall present the list of names of the persons appointed under paragraphs 2 (d), (e), (f), (g), (h) and (i) to the Assembly for approval

(7) The persons referred to in paragraphs (2) (d), (e) (f), (g), (h) and (i) shall serve for a term of three years renewable for one further term.

(8) Any person may recommend to the Executive Committee Member for the removal from office of a member of the Board appointed under section (2) (d), (e), (f), (g), (h) and (i) on the following grounds—

- (a) gross violation of the Constitution or other written law;
- (b) incompetence;
- (c) gross misconduct; or
- (d) bankruptcy.

- (9) Whenever a vacancy occurs in the Board, the Executive Committee member shall ensure the appointment of a replacement within 60 days of the vacancy.
 - (b) inserting the following new section—
 - Functions of the Board
- 11A. The functions of the Board are
 - (a) oversee the overall management of the hospital in collaboration with the Hospital Management team;
 - (b) consider and submit for approval to the sub county Health management Team annual hospital work plan and budget from the Hospital Management Team;
 - (c) consider and submit for approval to the sub county Health management Team monthly, quarterly and annual reports from the Hospital management team;
 - (d) ensure the quarterly implementation plans and budgets are based o n available resources;
 - (e) monitor the utilization of the FIF Act and take corrective action in relation to implementation; challenges identified that hinder efficient absorption of funds;
 - (f) ensure all financial procedures and reporting requirements are met by the facility in-charges and conform to laws relating to public finance management;
 - (g) ensure adherence to public procurement laws;
 - (h) ensure public awareness on the management of the hospital;
 - (i) act as liaison between the hospital and the community ; and
 - (j) undertake such other activities as are necessary for the effective management of the hospital.

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

(*Clause 8 as amended agreed to*)

Clause 9

Hon. Vincent Mutie (Upper Kaewa/Iveti, WDM-K): Mr. Chairman, I beg to move that the Bill be amended in Clause 9 by deleting clause 9 and substituting therefor the following new clause—

Amendment of section 12 of No. 7 of 2021

9. The Principal Act is amended by deleting section 12 and substituting therefor the following new section—

- Health Facility Management Committees
- For purposes of this section "Health Facility" means a level 2 or level 3 health facility classified and gazetted as such under section 25 of the Health Act No. 21 of 2017.

- 2) The member of the Health Facility Management Committee appointed under section 17(1) (c) of the FIF Act shall be the village administrator for the village in which the Health Facility is situated.
- 3) The representative of marginalized groups appointed under section 17(1) (g) of the FIF Act shall be a man nominated by a joint forum of men organizations in the ward in which the Health Facility is situated.
- 4) The persons appointed under section 17(1) (d), (e), (f) and (g) of the FIF Act shall be persons residing in the ward in which the Health Facility is situated.
- 5) The persons appointed under section 17(1) (d), (e), (f) and (g) of the FIF Act shall be members of the community who hold a minimum of a post- secondary education certificate from an institution recognized in Kenya.
- 6) Despite sub-section (2), the chairperson of Health Facility Management Committee shall have a minimum of a diploma from a recognized institution in Kenya.
- 7) In addition to the roles under section 18 of the FIF Act, the Health Facility Management Committee shall be to—
 - (a) provide oversight over the administration of the health facility;
 - (b) promote the infrastructure development of the dispensary;
 - (c) promote equipping of the health facility;
 - (d) represent community interests concerning the health facility;
 - (e) promote innovative ways of community-based health financing including mobilizing financial resource for the health facility; and
 - (f) undertake such other activities as are necessary for the effective management of the health facility.

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

(Clause 9 as amended agreed to)

Clause 10

Hon. Vincent Mutie (Upper Kaewa/Iveti, WDM-K): Mr. Chairman, I beg to move that the Bill be amended by deleting Clause 10.

Amendment of Section 13 of No. 7 of 2021

10. The Principal Act is amended by deleting Section 13.

(Question of the amendment proposed)

(Question, that the words to be left out be left out, put and agreed to) (Clause 10 as amended agreed to)

Clause 11

Hon. Vincent Mutie (Upper Kaewa/Iveti, WDM-K): Mr. Chairman, I beg to move that the Bill be amended by deleting Clause 11 and substituting therefor the following new clause—

Amendment of section 14 of No. 7 of 2021

11. The Principal Act is amended by deleting section 14 and substituting therefor the following new section—

Vacancy

14. The office of a member of the County Health Management Team, Sub- County health Management team, Board, Hospital management teams and Health Facility management committees shall fall vacant if the member —

- (a) dies;
- (b) resigns from office in writing to the appointing authority;
- (c) is unable to undertake the functions of office by reason pf physical or mental infirmity;
- (d) has been absent without leave for three months consecutive meetings of the committee;
- (e) is convicted of a criminal offence and sentenced to imprisonment for a term exceeding six months;
- (f) is adjudged bankrupt by a court of competent jurisdiction;
- (g) contravenes the provisions of Chapter six of the Constitution; or
- (h) if the appointment of the member is revoked by the appointing authority in writing.

(*Question of the amendment proposed*)

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

(Clause 11 as amended agreed to)

(Clause 12 agreed to)

Clause 13

Hon. Vincent Mutie (Upper Kaewa/Iveti, WDM-K): Mr. Chairman, I beg to move that the Bill be amended by deleting Clause 13 and substituting therefor the following new clause—

Amendment of section 16 of No. 7 of 2021

13. The Principal Act is amended by deleting section 16 and substituting therefor the following new section—

16. The members of the County Health Management Team, Sub-County Health Management Team, Board, Hospital Management Teams, Health Facility Management Committees and Community Health Promoters shall be paid such allowances as may be determined by the

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County Public Service Board after consultation with the Commission.

(Question of the amendment proposed)

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

(Clause 13 as amended agreed to)

(Clauses 14 and 15 agreed to)

Clause 16

Hon. Vincent Mutie (Upper Kaewa/Iveti, WDM-K): Mr. Chairman, I beg to move that the Bill be amended in Clause 16 by—

- (a) deleting sub-clause (2) and (3);
- (b) inserting the following new sub-clauses immediately after sub-clause (1)—
 - (2) A person who is dissatisfied with the outcome under sub section (1) may appeal to the respective Health Facility Management Committee or Board.
 - (3) In considering an appeal under sub section (2) the Health Facility Management Committee or Board may recommend the necessary actions to the relevant authorities.

(Question of the amendment proposed)

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

(Clause 16 as amended agreed to)

(Clauses 17 and 18 agreed to)

Clause 19

Hon. Vincent Mutie (Upper Kaewa/Iveti, WDM-K): Mr. Chairman, I beg to move that the Bill be amended in Clause 19 by deleting clause 19 and substituting therefor the following new clause—

Amendment of section 35 of No. 7 of 2021

19. The Principal Act is amended by deleting section 35 and substituting therefor the following new section—

Protection of Health Workers

35. The County government shall ensure that health care workers—

- (a) are protected from risks emanating from their work place;
- (b) access adequate training in their respective fields;
- (c) are adequately remunerated and deployed;

- (d) access tools needed to provide to quality health care services;
- (e) have sufficient personal time during their shifts to keep nourished and hydrated; and
- (f) have access to facilities that ensure their physical and mental wellbeing including debriefing and rehabilitation.

(Question, that the figures to be inserted in place thereof be inserted, put and agreed to) (Clause 19 as amended agreed to)

(Clause 20 agreed to)

Clause 21

Hon. Vincent Mutie (Upper Kaewa/Iveti, WDM-K): Mr. Chairman, I beg to move that the Bill be amended in Clause 21 by deleting Clause 21 and substituting therefor the following new clause—

Amendment of PART V of No. 7 of 2021

21. The principal Act is amended by deleting Part V and substituting therefor the following new Part—

PART V – FINANCIAL PROVISIONS

Object and purpose of the Facility Improvement Financing

42. The objects and purpose of facility improvement financing are-

- (a) to ring fence health services resources and guarantee efficient and effective service delivery;
- (b) to enable a county entity as provided for under section 2 to collect and retain revenue paid as user fees and public health fees in order to defray costs of running the respective county entity;
- (c) to finance the operation and management costs of a county entity;
- (d) to provide readily available financial resources for optimal operations of county entities all year round;
- (e) to improve daily facility operations and promote improved access to health services to all county residents;
- (f) to increase the accessibility and predictability of finances for procurement of essential products, commodities and technologies;
- (g) to enable a county entity to budget and to utilize collected revenue in accordance with the Public Finance Management Act (2012); and
- (h) to support community level services. Guidelines

43. In managing facility improvement financing, the County Health Management Team, Sub- County health Management team, Board Hospital management teams and Health Facility management committees shall adhere to the following guidelines—

(a) all revenue collected from County health facilities is deposited in the respective bank account;

- (c) county health facilities are more responsive to health emergencies;
- (d) equitable distribution of financial resources based on work load; and
- (e) catchment population and delivery of quality healthcare services.

User fee charges

45. (1) The user fees payable by members of the public for different health services provided by County Health Facilities shall be as provided in the Second Schedule or as may be determined from time to time by the Executive Committee Member in consultation with the County Health Management Team.

(2) The respective Hospital Board and Health Facility Management Committees upon investigation and for documented reasons, may wave the user fees payable by a patient.

(3) No user fees shall be levied for emergency services in a health facility.

(Question of the amendment proposed)

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

(Clause 21 as amended agreed to)

Clause 22

Hon. Vincent Mutie (Upper Kaewa/Iveti, WDM-K): Mr. Chairman, I beg to move that the Bill be amended in Clause 22 by deleting Clause 22 and substituting therefor the following new clause—

Amendment of section 52

22. The Principal Act is amended by deleting Section 52 and substituting therefor the following new section—

52. (1) The Executive Committee Member shall make Regulations for the better carrying into effect of any provisions of this Act.

(2) Without prejudice to the generality of subsection (1), regulations under this Act shall provide for—

- (a) the manner of nomination of members of the Boards and the Health facility management committee;
- (b) procedure for removal from office Boards and the Health facility management committee;
- (c) the conduct of the business of the County Health Management Team, Sub- County Health Management team, Board, Hospital management teams and Health Facility Management committees created under this Act;
- (d) classification of health facilities and health service provide;
- (e) health emergency services
- (f) fees and charges payable;
- (g) prescribed forms;
- (h) waiver of fees;
- (i) management of epidemics, pandemics and health emergencies;

- (j) licensing of private Health Facilities;
- (k) compliance with public health standards of public places;
- (l) procedure for grievance redress
- (m) any other matter necessary for the implementation of this Act.

(Question, that the figures to be inserted in place thereof be inserted, put and agreed to) (Clause 22 as amended agreed to)

Clause 23

Hon. Vincent Mutie (Upper Kaewa/Iveti, WDM-K): Mr. Chairman, I beg to move that the Bill be amended by deleting Clause 23.

(Question of the amendment proposed)

(Question, that the words to be left out be left out,

put and agreed to)

(Clause 23 as amended agreed to)

Clause 24

Hon. Vincent Mutie (Upper Kaewa/Iveti, WDM-K): Mr. Chairman, I beg to move that the Bill be amended by deleting Clause 24 and substituting therefor the following new clause—

The Principal Act is amended by deleting the First Schedule and substituting therefor the following new schedule—

FIRST SCHEDULE (Section 13A)

PROCEDURE OF MEETINGS

A. Meetings

(1) A meeting shall be presided over by the chairperson or in his or her absence by the vice-chairperson.

(2) The chairperson, in consultation with the secretary shall determine the place and time of County Health Management Team, Sub- County health Management team, Board, Hospital management teams and Health Facility Management committees meetings.

(3) The County Health Management Team, Sub- County health Management team, Board, Hospital management teams and Health Facility Management committees shall have at least four meetings in every financial year and not more than four months shall elapse between one meeting and the next.

(4) In calling for meetings, the chairperson shall give a notice of at least seven days.

B. Conflict of interest

(1) If any person has a personal or fiduciary interest in any matter before the County Health Management Team, Sub- County health Management team, Board, Hospital management teams and Health Facility Management committees, and is present at a meeting of that committee or Board at which any matter is the subject of consideration, that person shall as soon as is practicable after the commencement of the meeting, declare such interest and shall not take part in any consideration or discussion of, or vote on any question touching such matter.

(2) A disclosure of interest made under subsection (1) shall be recorded in the minutes of the meeting at which it is made.

(3) A person who contravenes subsection (1) commits an offence and shall be liable, upon conviction, to a fine not exceeding three million shillings, or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding seven years, or to both such fine and imprisonment.

(4) No member or staff of the County Health Management Team, Sub-County health Management team, Board, Hospital management teams and Health Facility Management committees shall transact any business or trade with the Services.

C. Quorum

Subject to sub-paragraph (2), the quorum of the meeting shall not be less than half of the members.

D. Voting

A matter before the County Health Management Team, Sub-County Health Management Team, Board, Hospital Management Teams and Health Facility Management Committees shall be decided by simple majority.

(*Question of the amendment proposed*)

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

(*Clause 24 as amended agreed to*)

Clause 25

Hon. Vincent Mutie (Upper Kaewa/Iveti, WDM-K): Mr. Chairman, I beg to move that the Bill be amended by deleting Clause 25.

(Question of the amendment proposed)

(Question, that the words to be left out be left out,

put and agreed to)

(Clause 25 as amended agreed to)

Clause 26

Hon. Vincent Mutie (Upper Kaewa/Iveti, WDM-K): Mr. Chairman, I beg to move that the Bill be amended by deleting Clause 26.

(Question of the amendment proposed)

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

(Clause 26 as amended agreed to)

Clause 27

Hon. Vincent Mutie (Upper Kaewa/Iveti, WDM-K): Mr. Chairman, I beg to move that the Bill be amended by deleting Clause 27.

(Question of the amendment proposed)

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

(Clause 27 as amended agreed to)

Clause 28

Hon. Vincent Mutie (Upper Kaewa/Iveti, WDM-K): Mr. Chairman, I beg to move that the Bill be amended by deleting Clause 28.

(Question of the amendment proposed)

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

(Clause 28 as amended agreed to)

New Clauses

New Clause 4A

Hon. Vincent Mutie (Upper Kaewa/Iveti, WDM-K): Mr. Chairman, I beg to move that the Bill be amended by inserting the following new clause immediately after clause 4 — 4A. The Principal Act is amended by deleting section 7

(Question of the new clause proposed)

(New clause read the First Time)

(Question, that the new clause be read a Second Time, proposed)

(Question, that the new clause be read a Second Time, put and agreed to)

(The new clause was read a Second Time)

(Question, that the new clause be added to the Bill, put and agreed to)

New Clause 13A

Hon. Vincent Mutie (Upper Kaewa/Iveti, WDM-K): Mr. Chairman, I beg to move that the Bill be amended by inserting the following new clause immediately after Clause 13 —

13A. The Principal Act is amended by deleting section 17 and substituting therefor the following new section—

Procedure of meetings

The conduct of business and affairs of the County Health Management Team, Sub- County health Management team, Board, Hospital management teams and Health Facility Management committees shall be as set out in the First Schedule.

(Question of the new clause proposed)

(New clause read the First Time)

(Question, that the new clause be read a Second Time, proposed)

(Question, that the new clause be read a Second Time, put and agreed to)

(The new clause was read a Second Time)

(Question, that the new clause be added to the Bill, put and agreed to)

New Clause 15A

Hon. Vincent Mutie (Upper Kaewa/Iveti, WDM-K): Mr. Chairman, I beg to move that the Bill be amended by inserting the following new clause immediately after clause 15 —

Amendment of section 27 of No. 7 of 2021

15A. Section 27(1) (a) of the principal Act is amended by deleting the word service appearing immediately after the words "with the" and before the words "establish" and substituting therefor the words "County Health Management Team".

(Question of the new clause proposed)

(New clause read the First Time)

(Question, that the new clause be read a Second Time, proposed)

(Question, that the new clause be read a Second Time, put and agreed to)

(The new clause was read a Second Time)

(Question, that the new clause be added to the Bill, put and agreed to)

New Clause 21A

Hon. Vincent Mutie (Upper Kaewa/Iveti, WDM-K): Mr. Chairman, I beg to move that the Bill be amended by Substitution of the "Service"

21A. The Principal Act is amended by deleting the word "Service" wherever it refers to the organ initially created in the Principal Act and substituting therefor the words "County Health Management Team.

(Question of the new clause proposed)

(New clause read the First Time)

(Question, that the new clause be read a Second Time, proposed)

(Question, that the new clause be read a Second Time, put and agreed to)

(The new clause was read a Second Time)

(Question, that the new clause be added to the Bill, put and agreed to)

Clause 1

Hon. Vincent Mutie (Upper Kaewa/Iveti, WDM-K): Mr. Chairman, I beg to move that the Bill be amended in Clause 1 in the short title by deleting the figure "2023" appearing immediately before "Act" and substituting therefor the figure "2024";

(Question of the amendment proposed)

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

(Clause 1 as amended agreed to)

Clause 2

Hon. Vincent Mutie (Upper Kaewa/Iveti, WDM-K): Mr. Chairman, I beg to move that the Bill be amended in Clause 2 of the Bill be amended—

- (a) by deleting paragraph (c);
- (b) by deleting the following definitions under paragraph (d)—
 - (i) "entity";
 - (ii) "Level 1 health services";
 - (iii) "Fund";
 - (iv) "Service";
- (c) by inserting the following new definitions in the proper alphabetical order paragraph (d);
 - (i) "Board" means the Hospital Management Board established under section"
 - (ii) "FIF Act" means the Facilities Improvement Financing Act No. 14 of 2023"
- (d) in the definition of the word "Sub-County Health Management Team" by inserting the words "12 of the FIF Act" at the end of the definition;

(Question of the amendment proposed)

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

(Clause 2 as amended agreed to)

(Long Title agreed to)

(Clause 1 agreed to)

Hon. Vincent Mutie (Upper Kaewa/Iveti, WDM-K): Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I wish to move that the Committee do report its consideration of the Machakos County Health Services (Amendment) Bill 2023 and its approval thereof with amendments.

(Question proposed)

(Question put and agreed to)

(Applause)

Hon. Chairperson: Thank you, Hon. Members. We are now through so we will be waiting for the Hon. Speaker to come so that we may proceed with business.

(The House resumed)

[Hon. Speaker in the Chair]

REPORT AND THIRD READING

THE MACHAKOS COUNTY HEALTH SERVICES (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2023 – KENYA, GAZETTE SUPPLEMENT NO. 8 (MACHAKOS COUNTY BILLS NO.5)

Hon. Speaker: May I call upon the Chair of Chairs to come forward and take us through.

Hon. Stephen Mwanthi (Ekalakala, WDM-K): Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I wish to report that a Committee of the whole House has considered the Machakos County Health Services (Amendment) Bill 2023 and has approved the same with amendments. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Member. I call upon the mover to come and give a brief explanation.

Hon. Vincent Mutie (Upper Kaewa/Iveti, WDM-K): Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I beg to move that the House do agree with the Committee in the said Report basically having deliberated about it in the morning, I might not need to speak much but it is going to go a long way in helping streamline the health sector. I call my colleagues in the Committee Hon. Caroline to second.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Member.

Hon. Caroline Mutuku (Nominated, MCCP): I second, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Mutuku.

(Question proposed)

(*Question put and agreed to*)

(Applause)

May call upon Hon. Vincent Mutie to come forward and move the Motion.

Hon. Vincent Mutie (Upper Kaewa/Iveti, WDM-K): Thank you, Hon. Speaker. Hon. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 131(2), I wish to move that the Machakos County Health Services (Amendment) Bill 2023 (Machakos County Bills No.5) be now read the Third Time. I call upon my colleague Hon. Caroline to second.

Hon. Caroline Mutuku (Nominated, MCCP): I second, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Caroline Mutuku.

(Question proposed)

I invite Members to make their comments. The Mover of the Motion, I invite you to come forward and reply.

Hon. Vincent Mutie (Upper Kaewa/Iveti, WDM-K): Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I was drawn to the attention that Hon. Mwonga wanted to speak but now he is locked out. I want to thank Hon. Members of this Hon. House for their commitment to this exercise. My heartfelt gratitude to the Hon. Speaker and the Leadership of this Assembly in guiding the process; we appreciate and I am proud Member of this House and my Committee of health having worked tirelessly to make this a success. I want to wish all God's blessings. I thank you.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: Thank you very much, Hon. Mutie. I am sorry Hon. Mwonga; I did not mean to lock you out.

(Question put and agreed to)

(Applause)

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

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Speaker: The House now adjourns to Wednesday, 2nd October, 2024 at 10.00 a.m. See you then, Members.

The House rose at 3.35 p.m.