

[No. 17/2023] FIFTH SESSION, SIXTH LEGISLATURE

ANNOUNCEMENTS, TABLINGS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

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TUESDAY, 21 NOVEMBER 2023

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VIRTUAL SPECIAL SITTING: 08H30

1. PRAYER (Item 1 on the Order Paper)

Opportunity for Prayers or Silent Meditation.

- 2. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER (Item 2 on the Order Paper)
 - 2.1 ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING THE REASON FOR THE SITTING ON 21 NOVEMBER 2023

Honourable Members, thank you for making yourselves available for today's special sitting. The Office of the

Speaker was advised to call a special sitting in order to comply with NCOP processes and to enable the Legislature to participate in the mandate required at the NCOP. Today's special sitting is being held to deal with the Conferral of a Final Mandate on the National Health Insurance Bill [B11B-2019].

I trust Members will find this to be in order.

2.2 RULING ON VIRTUAL SITTINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENT ON PARTY VOTING DURING SPECIAL SITTINGS

Honourable Members are reminded that this is a special sitting, with Members having connected virtually. The sitting will be conducted in terms of our Standing Rules.

Party voting

Rule 288(4) of the Rules states that -

"The presiding officer or chairperson must, before or at the start of the discussion on the matter, expressly inform members if a party vote will be taken."

In line with the above, I confirm that voting will take place on the –

National Health Insurance Bill [B11B-2019].

A party vote is a collective vote on behalf of all the Members of a party present at a virtual sitting, up to the total membership of that party in the sitting.

I will, however, allow an opportunity for any individual Member to vote differently from his/her party, or to abstain, if any Member wishes to do so.

We will now proceed with the rest of the items on the Order Paper.

2.3 APOLOGY

- **2.3.1** Honourable Mr ME Phakathi has family commitments.
- 3. ANNOUNCEMENTS OR REPORTS BY THE PREMIER (Item 3 on the Order Paper)

Opportunity for the Premier to make Announcements.

4. FORMAL MOTIONS OR NOTICES BY THE CHIEF WHIP (Item 4 on the Order Paper)

Opportunity for the Chief Whip to present motions or notices.

- 5. ORDER OF THE DAY (Item 5 on the Order Paper)
 - 5.1 Debate and Voting on the Conferral of a Final Mandate on the National Health Insurance Bill [B11B-2019].

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