

[No. 12/2024] SIXTH SESSION, SIXTH LEGISLATURE

ANNOUNCEMENTS, TABLINGS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

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TUESDAY, 14 MAY 2024

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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 VIRTUAL SPECIAL SITTING OF TODAY, TUESDAY, 14 MAY 2024

Honourable Members, thank you for availing yourselves for today's special sitting. The Office of the Speaker was advised to call a special sitting to comply with NCOP processes and to enable the Legislature to participate in the mandates required at the NCOP. Today's special sitting is being held to deal with the debate and voting on the Conferral of Final Mandates on the following Bills:

- (i) Electricity Regulation Amendment Bill [B23B-2023]
- (ii) Marine Pollution (Prevention of Pollution from Ships) Amendment Bill [B5-2022], and
- (iii) Transport Appeal Tribunal Amendment Bill [B8D-2020]

I trust Members will find this to be in order.

2.2 RULING ON VIRTUAL SITTING AND VOTING ANNOUNCEMENT ON PARTY VOTING DURING THE SPECIAL SITTING

Honourable Members, you are reminded that this is a special sitting, with Members having connected virtually. As always, 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 can confirm that voting will take place on the Conferral of Final Mandates on the:

- (i) Electricity Regulation Amendment Bill [B23B-2023]
- (ii) Marine Pollution (Prevention of Pollution from Ships) Amendment Bill [B5-2022], and
- (iii) Transport Appeal Tribunal Amendment Bill [B8D-2020]

Bear in mind that 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 OBITUARIES

Honourable Members, let us take a moment to remember in our thoughts and prayers all those souls who have departed from our midst since the previous sitting, either due to natural causes or otherwise.

- **2.3.1** Mr Siphelele Khumalo, protector of the MEC for Education:
- 2.3.2 Former Constitutional Court Judge Yvonne Mokgoro. Justice Mokgoro was involved in a serious car accident near Kimberley in April 2023, which in turn led to further health setbacks while in hospital.

Justice Mokgoro was a member of the first Constitutional Court Bench, and its first black female judge. After her retirement from the Bench in 2009, she continued to play important roles in legal and civil society circles. She chaired the South African Law

Reform Commission and served on the Benches of both Lesotho and Namibia. She was a member of the International Council of Arbitration for Sport, chaired the United Nations Internal Justice Council, and took on the significant responsibility of Chairperson of the International Expert Mechanism to Advance Racial Justice and Equality in Law.

In addition to these professional contributions, Justice Mokgoro devoted much time and energy towards nurturing the next generation of lawyers and leaders, both as a board member of the Mandela-Rhodes Trust and through her involvement in teaching around the world.

- **2.3.3** All victims of gender-based violence, femicide and hate crimes:
- **2.3.4** All public servants and traditional leaders of this province and the country at large; and
- **2.3.5** All victims of road fatalities in our province during the recent past.

Let us now observe a moment of silence to honour all those who have gone before us.

2.4 APOLOGIES

- **2.4.1** Honourable Mr SA Duma, MEC for Economic Development, Tourism and Environmental Affairs is attending the *Africa Travel Indaba* where he will be addressing investors;
- **2.4.2** All EFF caucus members have been called to attend to urgent organisational work; and

2.4.3 Honourable Mr FA Rodgers, honourable Mr SE Manqele and honourable Mr ME Phakathi have party commitments.

2.5 BIRTHDAYS

Honourable Members, may I take this opportunity to wish a happy belated birthday to the following Members:

- 1. Honourable SW Mshengu (1 May)
- 2. Honourable TS Mtshali (2 May)
- 3. Honourable NB Mthethwa (5 May)
- 4. Honourable MPP Zungu (8 May)
- 5. Honourable GN Swartbooi-Ntombela (8 May)
- 6. Honourable BN Sithole-Moloi (10 May), and
- 7. Honourable ZRT Gumede (12 May)

I would also like to wish a happy birthday in advance to the following Members:

- 1. Honourable LD Ngubane (25 May), and
- 2. Honourable HU de Boer (26 May)

On behalf of everyone, I would like to wish all these Members a memorable year ahead.

2.6 AFRICA DAY

Each year on 25 May, Africans around the world celebrate Africa Day to commemorate the establishment of the Organisation of African Unity in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia in 1963. Africa Day is an opportunity for Africans to remember that, on that day, African countries signed the Charter of the Organisation of African Unity which later evolved into the African Union (AU). We call on all Members to celebrate

this joyous and historical day in their own way, wherever they are.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS OR REPORTS BY THE PREMIER (Item 3 on the Order Paper)

Opportunity for the Premier to make Announcements.

- 4. TABLING OF REPORTS OR PAPERS (Item 4 on the Order Paper)
 - 4.1 KwaZulu-Natal Legislature
 - **4.1.1** Fourth Quarter and Annual Institutional Performance Report: 2023/24 (January April 2024 and April 2023 May 2024.
 - 4.2 Standing Committee on Public Accounts
 - **4.2.1** Report of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts on the follow-up hearings held in March 2024 on the 2022/23 Report of the Auditor General; and
 - **4.2.2** End of Term Report of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts (SCOPA) for 2019 2024.
 - 4.3 Portfolio Committee on the Premier
 - **4.3.1** Report by the Portfolio Committee on the Premier on the Electricity Regulation Amendment Bill [B23B-2023] in terms of Rules 261 and 262 of the Standing Rules.

5. FORMAL MOTIONS OR NOTICES BY THE CHIEF WHIP (Item 5 on Order Paper)

Opportunity for the Chief Whip to present motions or notices.

- 6. ORDERS OF THE DAY (Item 6 on the Order Paper)
 - **6.1** Debate and Voting on the Conferral of a Final Mandate on the Electricity Regulation Amendment Bill [B23B-2023].
 - 6.2 Debate and Voting on the Conferral of a Final Mandate on the Marine Pollution (Prevention of Pollution from Ships) Amendment Bill [B5-2022].
 - 6.3 Debate and Voting on the Conferral of a Final Mandate on the Transport Appeal Tribunal Amendment Bill [B8D-2020].

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