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ELEVENTH PARLIAMENT - (FOURTH SESSION)

THE SENATE

MESSAGE FROM THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ON THE PASSAGE OF THE ELECTION LAWS (AMENDMENT) BILL
(NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 37 OF 2016) AND THE ELECTION
OFFENCES BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 36 OF 2016)

Hon. Senators,

I wish to report to the Senate that, pursuant to standing order 40 (3) and (5), I received the following Message from the Speaker of the National Assembly, on 2nd September, 2016, regarding the passage, by the National Assembly, of the Election Laws (Amendment) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 37 of 2016) and the Election Offences Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 36 of 2016)-

“PURSUANT to the provisions of standing orders 41 and 142 of the National Assembly Standing Orders, I hereby convey the following Message from the National Assembly-

WHEREAS, the Election Laws (Amendment) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 37 of 2016), was published *vide* Kenya Gazette Supplement No. 141 of 26th August, 2016 as a Bill concerning county governments and seeking to amend the Elections Act, 2011, the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission Act, 2011, the Political Parties Act, 2011, the Supreme Court Act, 2011 and the Registration of Persons Act, Cap 106, in order to actualize the recommendations of the Joint Parliamentary Select committee on matters relating to the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission and the conduct of elections;

WHEREAS, the Election Offences Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 36 of 2016), was published *vide* Kenya Gazette Supplement No. 140 of 26th August, 2016 as a Bill concerning county governments and seeking to consolidate offences relating to elections into one law and to give effect to the recommendations of the Joint Parliamentary Select committee on matters relating to the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission and the conduct of elections;

AND WHEREAS, the National Assembly considered and **passed** the two Bills **without amendments** on Thursday 1st September, 2016;

NOW THEREFORE, in accordance with the provisions of Article 110(4) of the Constitution and standing order 142 of the National Assembly Standing Orders, I hereby refer the said two Bills to the Senate for consideration".

Hon. Senators,

Pursuant to standing order No. 148 that requires a Bill which originates in the National Assembly be proceeded with, by the Senate, in the same manner as a Bill introduced in the Senate by way of First reading in accordance with Standing Order No. 129, I directed that the Bills be listed for First Reading in today's Order Paper.

In order to facilitate public participation pursuant to the provisions of standing order 130 (4), I now direct the Standing committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights to ensure the exercise is undertaken after the rise of the House today, following which the Bills will be considered at Second Reading, Committee of the whole and Third Reading stages tomorrow, Thursday, 8th September 2016.

I further direct the Committee to submit a report on the Bills, at the commencement of the sitting tomorrow.

I thank you.



SEN. DAVID EKWEE ETHURO, E.G.H., M.P.
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

7th September, 2016