



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

ELEVENTH PARLIAMENT – (FOURTH SESSION)

THE SENATE

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

MESSAGE FROM THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY ON THE APPROVAL OF THE
POLITICAL PARTIES (AMENDMENT) BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL
NO. 2 OF 2016)

1. **Honorable Senators**, I wish to report to the Senate that, pursuant to Standing Order 40 (3) and (4), I have received the following Message from the Speaker of the National Assembly regarding the passage by the Assembly of the Political Parties (Amendment) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 2 of 2016)-

“**PURSUANT** to the provisions of standing orders 41(1) and 142 of the National Assembly Standing Orders, I hereby convey the following message from the National Assembly-

THAT, the Political Parties (Amendment) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 2 of 2016) was published *vide* the Kenya *Gazette* Supplement No. 10 of 5th February, 2016 to provide an elaborate manner for managing political parties, including obligating political parties seeking registration to meet the constitutional threshold of two-thirds gender principle; and requiring political parties to promote the values of inclusiveness, democracy and participation of the people;

AND WHEREAS, the National Assembly considered and passed the Said Bill on Thursday, 21st April, 2016 with amendments in the form attached hereto;

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 forward the said Bill to the Senate for consideration.”

2. **Honorable Senators**, pursuant to Standing Order No. 148 which requires that 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 now direct that the Bill be listed for First Reading in the Order Paper of tomorrow, Thursday, 5th May, 2016.
3. I thank you.

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

4TH MAY, 2016