

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

ELEVENTH PARLIAMENT – (FOURTH SESSION)

THE SENATE

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

MESSAGE FROM THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY ON THE APPROVAL OF THE LAND LAWS (AMENDMENT) BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 55 OF 2015)

Honorable Senators,

I wish to report to the Senate that, pursuant to Standing Order 40 (3) and (4), I received the following Message from the Speaker of the National Assembly regarding the passage by the Assembly of the Land Laws (Amendment) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 55 of 2015)-

“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-

WHEREAS, the Land Laws (Amendment) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 55 of 2015) was published *vide* the Kenya Gazette Supplement No. 140 of 18th August 2015, as a Bill concerning county governments seeking to give effect to the provisions of Articles 66,67 and 68 of the Constitution by *inter alia*, amending and consolidating various laws on land use and management; eliminating the existing overlap in the respective mandates of the National Land Commission and the Ministry of Lands, Housing and Urban Development and establishing the Board of Trustees to manage the Settlement Scheme Fund;

AND WHEREAS, the National Assembly considered and passed the said Bill on Thursday, 5th May, 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".

Honourable Senators,

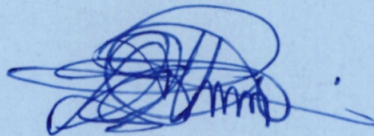
Standing Order No. 148 requires that a Bill which originates in the National Assembly be proceeded with by the Senate in the same manner as a Bill introduced in the Senate by way of First Reading in accordance with Standing Order No. 129.

I therefore direct that the Bill be listed for First Reading in the Order Paper of Thursday, 2nd June, 2016.

Honourable Senators,

I also wish to bring to your attention that this Bill is one of the Bills required to be enacted within 5 years of the enactment of the Constitution of Kenya. This timeline lapsed on 27th August, 2015 but the National Assembly, by resolution, extended the timeline by one year.

I thank you.



SEN. DAVID EKWEE ETHURO, EGH, EBS, M.P.
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

31st May, 2016