

**PARLIAMENT OF THE KINGDOM OF LESOTHO**

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**THIRTEENTH MEETING – FIRST SESSION OF THE TENTH  
PARLIAMENT**

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> January, 2022 to Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> July, 2022**

**BUSINESS TRANSACTED**

<b><u>No.</u></b>	<b><u>REPORTS</u></b>	<b><u>DECISION</u></b>
285.	Report on the Special Report of the Ombudsman in the matter between Mr. Montoeli Ramaipato and the Ministry of Defence and National Security Service (NSS).	Passed 07/02/2022
301.	Report on the Annual Budget and Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the Financial Year 2022/2023.	Passed 23/03/2022
293.	Report on the National Media Code of Conduct, Behaviour and Practice, 2021.	Passed 31/03/2022
287.	Report on the Special Report of the Ombudsman in the matter between Mophethe Monyake on behalf of Philips Clearing and Forwarding Agent and the Ministry of Communications.	Passed 10/05/2022
294.	Report on the Special Report of the Ombudsman in the matter of Maluba-Lube Dumping Site against the Ministry of Local Government and Chieftainship.	Passed 11/05/2022
316.	Report on the Special Report of the Ombudsman in the matter Between G. L. Lejakane and the Ministry of Local Government and Chieftainship.	Passed 20/06/2022
317.	Report on the Special Report of the Ombudsman in the matter between Mr. Motlalentoa Kopo and the Ministry of Defence and National Security.	Passed 21/06/22

318. Report on the Broadcasting Code, 2022. Passed  
27/06/2022

**MOTIONS:**

264. Parliamentary Deliberations and Introspection on 55 Years of Lesotho's Independence. Withdrawn  
21/01/2022

286. Vote of No Confidence in the Government of Lesotho. Withdrawn  
18/02/2022

289. Short Adjournment: Consideration of the 2022/2023 Annual Estimates by Portfolio Committees. Passed  
04/03/2022

304. Vote of No Confidence in the Government of Lesotho. Negatived  
21/03/2022

288. Financial Policy. Passed  
23/03/2022

306. Consolidated Capital Account (Development Estimates) 2022/2023. Passed  
25/03/2022

311. Short Adjournment: Easter Recess. Passed  
12/04/2022

315. Extension of Days for Consideration of Bill in Committee. Passed  
09/06/2022

321. Extension of Sitting Hours. Passed  
28/06/2022

332. Resolution to sit on Saturday and Sunday. Passed  
08/07/2022

342. Adjournment Sine Die. Passed  
13/07/2022

## **SUBORDINATE LAWS:**

277. Public Health (Covid-19) (Risk Determination and Mitigation Measures) (No.10) Regulations, 2021.	Passed 18/01/2022
280. Prevention of Corruption and Economic Offences Regulations, 2021.	Passed 19/01/2022
281. Registration of Births and Deaths (Amendment) Regulations, 2021.	Passed 24/01/2022
260. Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2021.	Passed 24/01/2022
282. Communications (Subscriber Identity Module Registration) Regulations, 2021.	Passed 25/01/2022
284. Civil Aviation (Security) Regulations, 2021.	Passed 31/01/2022
309. Public Health (Covid-19) (Risk Determination and Mitigation Measures) (No.5) (Amendment of Schedule) Regulations, 2022.	Passed 11/04/2022

## **BILLS.**

Tenth Amendment to the Constitution Bill, 2021.	Suspended 04/02/2022
Administration of Estates Proclamation (Amendment) Bill, 2022.	Passed 01/03/2022
Appropriation (2022/2023) Bill, 2022.	Passed 25/03/2022
Supplementary Appropriation (2019/2020) Bill, 2020	Passed 28/03/2022

Supplementary Appropriation (2020/2021) Bill, 2021.	Passed 28/03/2022
Counter Domestic Violence Bill, 2021.	Passed 29/03/2022
Supplementary Appropriation (2018/2019) Bill, 2019.	Passed 30/03/2022
Lesotho Revenue Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2021.	Passed 01/04/2022
Value Added Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2021.	Passed 04/04/2022
Laws of Lerotholi (Amendment) Bill, 2022.	Passed 26/04/2022
Consumer Protection Bill, 2021.	Passed 02/05/2022
Local Government Bill, 2016:	Passed 06/05/2022
Computer Crime and Cyber Security Bill, 2022.	Passed 09/05/2022
Public Financial Management and Accountability Bill, 2022.	Passed 01/07/2022
National Assembly Electoral (Amendment) Bill, 2022.	Passed 01/07/2022
Medicines and Medical Devices Control Authority Bill, 2019.	Passed 04/07/2022
Tobacco and Alcoholic Products Levy Bill, 2021.	Passed 05/07/2022

Biosafety Bill, 2022.	Passed 06/07/2022
Metolong Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2021.	Passed 06/07/2022
Millennium Challenge Account Lesotho Authority (Winding Up and Repeal) Bill, 2022	Passed 08/07/2022
Eleventh Amendment to the Constitution Bill, 2022	Passed 09/07/2022
Financial Institutions (Amendment) Bill, 2022.	Passed 10/07/2022
Public Officers' Defined Pension Fund (Amendment) Bill, 2022.	Passed 10/07/2022
Harmonization of the Rights of Customary Widows with the Legal Capacity of Married Persons Act Bill, 2022.	Passed 10/07/2022
Specified Offices Defined Pension Fund (Amendment) Bill, 2022.	Passed 11/07/2022
Protection and Administration of Custom at Initiation Schools Bill, 2022.	Passed 11/07/2022
Biodiversity Resources Management Bill, 2022.	Passed 11/07/2022
Rangeland Resources Management Bill, 2022.	Passed 11/07/2022
Tax Administration Bill, 2022.	Passed 12/07/2022
Income Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2021.	Passed

12/07/2022

**MINISTERIAL STATEMENTS:**

The Hon. Minister of Agriculture and Food Security made a Statement to the House that refutes social media allegations on the imminent danger of swarming locusts disaster and assured farmers and the nation that the locusts have currently not crossed the border from South Africa into Lesotho; and also outlined the Ministry's plans to deal with the adversity to protect crops and the vegetation in the eventuality that the locusts do come into the country. 18/01/2022

Hon. Minister of Gender and Youth, Sports and Recreation made a Statement to the House regarding the current situation of different forms of abuse perpetrated against vulnerable persons in the country, in particular against women, the elderly, girls and children; and a appealed to Members of the House to not only give support to the various laws presented in the House but to expedite their progression through the various levels of Parliament. 17/02/2022

Hon. Minister of Forestry, Range and Land Conservation, on behalf of Hon. Minister of Health made a Statement to the House regarding the passing on of Health service stalwart in Lesotho, Dr. Paul Farmer, Founder of Partners in Health (PIH). 24/02/2022

The Hon. Minister of Communications, Science and Technology made a statement to the House regarding the breakdown of Vodacom Lesotho services to the public on 30<sup>th</sup> March, 2022; acknowledging the inconvenience caused to the public which uses the service and making an assurance that a backup system which will prevent the same from occurring in the future is being organised. 05/04/2022

The Hon. Minister of Agriculture and Food Security made a Statement to the House regarding Government subsidy in relation to the Winter Cropping Season of 2022, in which he detailed the various agricultural products which farmers may expect to get, their quantities and their prices. 06/04/2022

Hon. Minister of Health made a Statement to the House informing the nation about Hemophilia; its symptoms and treatment and presented the Africa Summit Declaration on Hemophilia. The Minister 27/04/2022

also informed the Honourable Members that Her Majesty has recently launched vaccination against cervix cancer in Botha-Bothe while His Majesty will launch Nutrition Programme at Poriking and Their Majesties to launch TB Prevention.

Hon. Minister of Finance (i.a) made a Statement to the House regarding the delayed payment of Government Employees Salaries for the end of April, 2022 due to the system's upgrading and Annual Salaries Adjustment; and apologised for the inconvenience. 27/04/2022

The Hon. Minister of Communications, Science and Technology made a Statement to the House informing the Hon. Members and the nation of the Ministry's initiative to increase the number of communications towers throughout the country in order to broaden cellphone and internet access under the E-Government Phase II Infrastructure Project funding by the African Development Bank (AfDB) amounting to M101, 328,088.00, to construct 28 of the 48 towers expected to be built. 05/05/2022

The Hon. Minister of Finance made a Statement to the House regarding the upcoming signing of Compact II of the Millenium Challenge Account by the Governments of Lesotho and the USA on 12/05/2022 amounting to \$322.5 Million. 10/05/2022

Hon. Minister of Labour and Employment made a Statement informing the House and the Nation that following a stalemate between the representatives of Workers' Unions and Employers regarding Minimum Wages increment for 2022, he had to consult with Finance Institutions and the Country's economy surveillant agencies which helped him to decree a 6.5% Minimum Wages increment for the year 2022; and that the Legal Notice therefore has already been published and shall be put to use effective from 1<sup>st</sup> May, 2022. 11/05/2022

Hon. Minister of Communications, Science and Technology made a Statement to the House regarding the establishment of a National Call Centre (NCC) by the Ministry of Communications, whose number is 80010100, and whose official opening will be led by the Prime Minister on 23/05/2022 at 10.00 a.m. at the Posong building. 18/05/2022

The Hon. Minister of Labour and Employment made a Statement to the House briefing the Hon. Members on the Conventions and Recommendations adopted at various Annual General Meetings of the International Labour Conference. 31/05/2022

Hon. Minister of Communications, Science and Technology made a Statement to the House regarding the mandatory registering of SIM Cards as required by the SIM Card Regulations, 2022; the process of which begins on the 24<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 and is expected to be completed by 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 2023. 24/06/2022

The Hon. Minister of Communications, Science and Technology made a Statement to the House regarding the successes achieved by mobile money avenues, “Mpesa” and “Eco-Cash” which have exceeded projections in the handling and transfers of money services users; and which amounts are expected to grow even more in the future. 06/07/22

The Hon. Minister of Finance made a Statement to the House regarding the Foreign and Domestic Debt Position of the Government of Lesotho. 08/07/2022

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