BOTSWANA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ORDER PAPER

(THURSDAY 4TH DECEMBER, 2025)

LEADER OF THE HOUSE'S QUESTION TIME

HRS/MINS

1400 - 1445

THEME: URGENT CORDON FENCE FAILURES AND UNCONTROLLABLE CATTLE MOVEMENT

• To ask the Leader of the House to inform this Honourable House of the specific and urgent measures his Government is taking to avert the persistent and worsening issue of collapsed and porous cordon fences, given the Minister of Lands and Agriculture's acknowledgements in this Honourable House in February 2025, of the unstable Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) situation, in the Okavango and Ngamiland, due to the inadequate maintenance and frequent destruction of cordon fences separating Ghanzi, Central (Boteti), and Ngamiland districts.

(Mr. K. C. Hikuama, MP. – Maun West)

STATEMENT BY THE MINISTER OF CHILD WELFARE AND BASIC EDUCATION

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

HRS/MINS

SECOND READING

1445 - 1800

 Medicines and Related Substances Bill, 2025 (Bill No. 29 of 2025) An Act to provide for the continuation of Botswana Medicines Regulatory Authority whose main objective is to regulate the sale. distribution. importation, exportation, manufacture and dispensing of medicines and related substances; matters and incidental thereto.

(Published on 3rd November, 2025)

(Minister of Health)

COMMITTEE STAGE

Constitution (Amendment) An Act to amend the Constitution.
Bill, 2025 (Bill No. 14 of 2025)

(Published on 4th July, 2025)

(Minister for State President)

AMENDMENTS

1. The Bill is amended at **clause 6** appearing at page **B.466** by substituting at 94C, for the word "Chief Justic", the word "Chief Justice".

(Minister for State President)

- 2. The Bill is amended at clause 7 appearing on page **B.466** by inserting a new paragraph immediately after paragraph (a)
 - "(ab) by substituting for subsection (2) the following new subsection -
 - "(2) The judges of the High Court shall be such number of judges of the Court as may be prescribed by Parliament:

Provided that the office of the judge of the High Court shall not be abolished while there is a substantive holder thereof"."

(Minister for State President)

- 3. The Bill is amended at clause 11 appearing at page B.468, as follows
 - (a) at clause 102B(3)(h), by substituting for the word "making", the word "make";
 - (b) in clause 102B(3);
 - (i) by adding immediately after paragraph (d), the following new paragraph
 - "(e) have power to issue directions, orders or writs, whichever may be appropriate, in any matter involving the enforcement or securing the enforcement of fundamental rights as contained in sections 3 to 16 of this Constitution or in any other law.
 - (ii) by renumbering the succeeding paragraphs (e) to (i) accordingly;
 - (iii) by adding immediately after paragraph (i), the following new paragraphs
 - "(k) have power to issue any writ as may be necessary or appropriate in the exercise of its jurisdiction.
 - (l) have power to supervise all lower courts.".
 - (c) in clause 102B, by substituting for subsection (4), the following new subsection –

- "(4) An Act of Parliament may prescribe for the exercise of jurisdiction by the Constitutional Court and without prejudice to the powers conferred on the Constitutional Court by subsection (3)(k), Parliament may, through that Act, empower the Constitutional Court to review, revise, reverse, modify, or affirm by a writ of certiorari, as the law or the Rules of court may provide, judgments and orders of lower courts in –
- (a) which the constitutionality or validity of any matter is in question;
- (b) all matters involving the legality of any award or penalty imposed in relation to that matter;
- (c) all matters in which the jurisdiction of any lower court is in issue; or
- (d) all matters in which only an error or question of law is involved.".

(Minister for State President)

- 4. The Bill is amended at clause 12 appearing at page **B.470**, as follows
 - (a) by deleting paragraph (a) from clause 103(1); and
 - (b) by adding the words "who shall be Chairman" immediately after the words "Chief Justice" appearing at clause 103(1)(b).

(Minister for State President)