ESWATINI HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

NOTICE PAPER

(Notices handed in up to Monday, 22nd May 2023)

QUESTION FOR ORAL ANSWER

O5/2023 Could the Honourable Minister for Labour and Social Security inform the august House of Assembly as to what would prevent the transfer for the TB Clinic from the Ministry of Labour and Social Security to the Ministry of Health.

(The Hon. Macford Sibandze)

PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS

O1/2023 To move that the Honourable Minister for Tourism and Environmental Affairs should consult the Honourable Minister for Finance, with a view to effect a two percent (2%) administrative charge on gaming operators over and above the fifteen percent (15%) gaming levy, in order for the Gaming Board of Control to reduce reliance on the government for its day-to-day operations, and also improve efficiency, as is the norm in similar bodies in the region and beyond.

Mover : (The Hon. Marwick T. Khumalo)

Seconder: (The Hon. Lutfo E. Dlamini)

To move that the Honourable Minister for Education and Training, in consultation with Cabinet and Development Partners, look into the possibility of making secondary and higher education free in the country as it was committed in the 1948 Universal Declaration of Human Rights, reiterated in the Dakar Framework for Action and now in the Sustainable Development Agenda. The Honourable Minister should appraise the House on progress made on a quarterly basis.

Mover : (The Hon. Macford W. Sibandze) Seconder : (The Hon. Sibusiso M. Dlamini)

03/2023 To move that the Honourable Minister for Finance consider transferring all Factory Shells to the Eswatini Investment Promotion Authority (EIPA) for the following reasons, inter alia:

- (1) Government have built up a healthy stock of shells which are currently operated and maintained by EIPA i.e., rent collection, servicing and personnel etc. even though their ownership remains with the Ministry of Finance;
- (2) Currently, they cannot sue rental defaulters or even get judgement against those owing them because they lack ownership of the Factory Shells;
- (3) EIPA will be self-funding and will have the financial muscle through this stock of Factory Shells and would be able to borrow funds from financial institutions, internally or externally, at concessional rates to further develop new factory shells and rehabilitate the existing ones without government subvention;
- (4) Investment promotion agencies in the Southern Africa Region (Mpumalanga Economic Growth Agency) own factories and properties in their own name and allowing EIPA to own assets places them at par with the counterparts and ensure they can compete in the chase to secure investors.

The Honourable Minister for Finance should appraise the House on progress that would have been made within twenty one (21) days of passing of this motion.

Mover : (The Hon. Sandla K. Fakudze) Seconder : (The Hon. Lutfo E. Dlamini)
