

ESWATINI HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

ORDER PAPER

(For Wednesday 17th September, 2025)

ORDERS OF THE DAY

GOVERNMENT BILL:

THE COMPANIES BILL, 2024
(Bill No.05 of 2024)

(Second Reading – Continues)

(The Hon. Minister for Commerce Industry and Trade)

ADOPTION OF A PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE REPORT:

TO MOVE THAT THE HON. HOUSE ADOPT THE REPORT OF THE
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE, INDUSTRY AND TRADE PORTFOLIO
COMMITTEE ON THE COMPANIES BILL 2024, BILL NO.05 OF 2024.

Mover: (The Hon. Masiphula Mamba)

Seconder: (The Hon. Sifiso Shongwe)

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(Committee of the Whole House)

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(Third Reading)

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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

26/2025 Would His Excellency, the Right Hon. Prime Minister explain to this Hon. House if there is a legal or policy framework mandating the Royal Eswatini Police Service to provide security escorts for cash-in-transit vehicles belonging to private financial institutions or security companies and how does the Government ensure this does not divert Police resources from their core public safety responsibilities?

(The Hon. Mgucisi Dlamini)

27/2025 Could the Hon. Minister for Natural Resources and Energy explain to this Hon. House why Government does not mandate corporate responsibility initiatives for mining companies? Additionally, the Hon. Minister should address whether the Ministry considers the well-being of the communities where natural resources are mined, and if he is aware of the potential negative impacts of mining on public health, the environment, and local infrastructure such as roads.

(The Hon. Charles Ndlovu)

28/2025 Could His Excellency the Rt. Hon. Prime Minister explain to this Hon. House what has stopped him from engaging the public through the monthly breakfast meetings with the Eswatini Editors Forum and if he intends to resume this engagement since it enhanced transparency of the Eswatini Government?

(The Hon. Charles Ndlovu)

PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS

32/2025 To move that the Hon. Minister for Tourism and Environmental Affairs through the Gaming Board, ensures the introduction and implementation of a centralised monitoring system to regulate access to online gambling platforms, with the primary objective of preventing underage gambling and mitigating gambling addiction. The Minister should present a progress report to Parliament within two months of the adoption of this Motion, detailing the implementation plan, timelines, and stakeholder consultations.

Mover: (The Hon. Charles Ndlovu)

Seconder: (The Hon. Welcome Dlamini)

25/2025 To move that the Hon. House calls upon the Hon. Minister for Sports, Culture and Youth Affairs to, within 21 days after the passing of this motion, table the Sports Bill as previously promised, to ensure its swift consideration and passage for the benefit of the nation. The Sports Bill is anticipated to bring significant benefits to the country by promoting sports development, youth engagement and cultural advancement.

Mover: (The Hon. Welcome Dlamini)

Seconder: (The Hon. Raymond Dlamini)

37/2025 Noting the growing national concern and outcry from countless citizens who have been unknowingly raising children who are not biologically theirs;

Concerned that the current birth registration system does not verify paternity and may contribute to cases of paternity fraud, emotional trauma, broken families and unjust financial responsibilities;

Acknowledging that the issuance of a birth certificate is a legal document that affirms the identity and parentage of a child, and thus must be based on accurate and verifiable information;

Believing that truth and transparency in family matters are vital for social stability, justice and the protection of both men and children;

We, therefore, move that:

1. The Government, through the Ministry of Home Affairs in collaboration with the Ministry of Health, develop and implement a policy that mandates the consideration of DNA testing prior to or during the issuance of birth certificates, especially in cases where paternity is disputed or unclear.

2. The Government must establish a legal and ethical framework that regulates DNA testing to ensure the protection of the rights of the child, the mother, and the alleged father.
3. The State should consider subsidizing or offering affordable DNA testing services, particularly for low-income citizens, to avoid financial discrimination in access to biological truth.
4. Counselling and legal support services must be provided to assist families in dealing with the emotional and social outcomes of DNA.

The Hon. Minister of Home Affairs must, within sixty (60) days after adoption of the motion, bring an amendment of the National Civil Registration and Vital Statistics Act of 2023 to accommodate the use of DNA test before registering birth certificates.

Mover: (The Hon. Mgucisi Dlamini)

Seconder: (The Hon. Bonginkhosi Dlamini)

38/2025 To move that,

Noting that the Scrapyard business is growing exponentially in the country and that the indigenous citizens are now in the majority in the entrepreneurial drive of the industry;

FURTHER NOTING that the Scrapyard Industry remains unregulated as a commercial entity but features in part, in the ESwatini Environmental Authority Act in areas of waste management;

HAVING employed a sizeable number of young and older citizens;

CONSIDERING that the sector is making a positive and significant contribution in the country's environment, by clearing waste and metal scraps;

AFFIRMING their desire to assist in disallowing and combatting stolen copper wire and metal goods, by banning them from being sold to their businesses;

WE, THEREFORE, HEREBY RESOLVE THAT;

The Hon. Minister of Commerce, Industry and Trade prepares a Bill for piloting in Parliament within this Session, in order for the scrapyards industry to be regulated and recognised in law so that it can operate within the governing legal framework.

Mover: (The Hon. Marwick T. Khumalo)
Seconder: (The Hon. Masiphula Mamba)
