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REFORMS | Changes made to two key Bills

CJ set to control Judiciary funds

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The Chief Justice will be in charge of the Judiciary budget under the proposed new law on how reformed courts should work.

A committee that will select the team to vet judges will include the Law Society of Kenya and the Judicial Service Commission.

And the CJ will manage and administer the Judiciary funds instead of the judicial commission.

These are among the changes that have been introduced to the two Bills on the Judiciary that were withdrawn from Parliament on Tuesday.

The Commission on Implementation of the Constitution yesterday returned the amended Judicial Service Commission and the Vetting of Judges and Magistrates Bills to Justice minister Mutula Kilonzo for gazetting and tabling in Parliament.

The Bill on the Vetting of Judges and Magistrates also introduces regulations that the vetting board should come up with.

These are the conduct of the board's operations and proceedings; the manner of receiving and processing complaints; and the steps that it may take between a preliminary finding

and final determination. The new Bill also specifies that three of the six members of the board, who are Kenyan citizens, shall be lawyers.

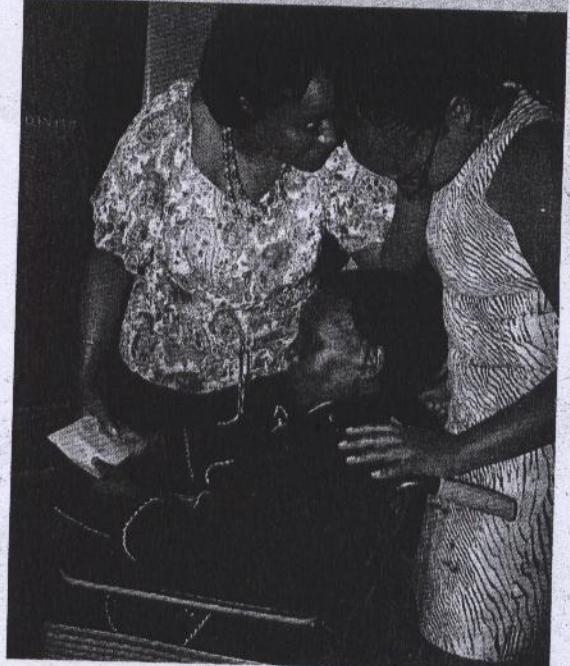
The commission, chaired by Mr Charles Nyachae, met Attorney-General Amos Wako and Mr Kilonzo at the State Law Office, where they passed on the new documents. Also present were Kenya Law Reform Commission secretary Joash Dache and Constitutional Affairs secretary Gichira Kibara.

In line with regulations

The Judicial Service Bill now says that the CJ shall provide for the management and administration of the Judiciary Fund. But this has to be in line with the regulations relating to public financial management.

The Bill has also included the principal secretaries (permanent secretaries) responsible for matters relating to Labour, Environment and Land in the National Council on the Administration of Justice. An extra role for the council has been added, and will be to speed up the establishment of Court User Committees at the county level. The penalty for judicial staff who go against the regulations emanating from the new law has also been raised.

CANCER | Sh560,000 boost for treatment



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Ms Tessie Mudavadi (left) of Mudavadi Memorial Foundation Trust Fund comforts Ms Sera Kisuli (right), daughter of cancer patient Bernadette Kisuli (in wheelchair), when she donated Sh560,000 towards the treatment of the disease at Kenyatta National Hospital yesterday. The cash was provided by the foundation.

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Karua party loses bid for bigger share of PNU cash

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State funds have been released to the 13 political parties affiliated to the Party of National Unity.

Ms Lucy Njuguna distributed the Sh48.7 million as ordered by Lady Justice Kalpana Rawal on November 19, last year.

Lady Justice Rawal gave the order in a ruling on a case filed by Narc-Kenya against registrar Njuguna.

The party was dissatisfied with the decision by the registrar to allow PNU to distribute the Sh48.7 million to political parties under it.

Narc-Kenya, through lawyer Cecil Miller, had challenged the decision last year.

Mr Miller told the judge that PNU had allocated itself 60 per cent of the funds released by the government.

Lady Justice Rawal ruled that a party with affiliates shall

distribute the funds in accordance with the number of votes garnered by parliamentary and civic candidates.

Yesterday, Ms Njuguna listed the distribution of the Sh48.7 million as follows: PNU gets Sh23.4 million, Narc-Kenya Sh2.9 million, Democratic Party Sh3.5 million, Kanu Sh6.9 million, Safina Sh4.3 million and Mr Kalembe Ndile's TIP Sh1.034 million.

Mr Miller told the judge that he needed time to consult with Narc-Kenya.

PNU garnered 2,036,952 votes for the parliamentary seats and 1,626,893 for the civic seats. In total, the party got 3,663,845 votes representing 48.1 per cent. Narc-Kenya garnered 158,619 votes for the parliamentary seats and 254,061 for civic seats, representing 6.4 per cent.

"I was guided by these votes in distributing the money," Ms Njuguna told the court.