

Honorable Speaker,

Pursuant to **Standing Order 45(c)**, I wish to request a Statement from the Chairperson of the Select Committee on Education regarding the bouncing cheques of Students from Poro Ward.

Honorable Speaker,

Issuing bouncing cheques is not only unethical but also a criminal offence under Kenyan Law. According to Section 316A of the Penal code, knowingly issuing a cheque without sufficient funds in the account is considered a criminal act and is punishable by law.

Honorable Speaker,

There has been a concern by students from Poro Ward affecting their education; a number of students were issued bursary cheques totaling to support their education. However I wish to bring to your attention that all the cheques have bounced, causing significant distress and inconvenience to the affected students and their families.

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The list of students who received the bursary cheques that bounced is as follows;

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In view of this, I Rquest the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Education inquire into and report on the following:

- 1. Were the funds for the bursary cheques properly accounted for and available at the issuance?
- 2. What actions are being taken to ensure that affected students receive the funds promptly?
- 3. What measures are being put in place to support the affected students and mitigate the impact on their education?
- 4. What safeguards are being put implemented to prevent similar issues from occurring in the future?
- 5. How will the county ensure compliance with laws and regulations regarding financial management and bursary distribution?
- 6. How is the bursary committee communicating with the affected students about the issues and steps taken to resolve it?
- 7. What information is being provided to the public and the affected students to maintain transparency and restore trust in bursary issuance?

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HON. PATRICK LERTE

MEMBER OF COUNTY ASSEMBLY,

PORO WARD