

CONSTITUTION

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CHAPTER VI

THE LEGISLATURE

Section 59 - Sessions, meetings and sittings 4 of 2001

13 of 2001 18 of 2021

59.— (1) Every meeting of the National Assembly shall be held at such place within Malawi and shall commence at such time as the Speaker of the National Assembly, in consultation with the President, may appoint and the sittings of the National Assembly after the commencement of that meeting shall be held at such times and on such days as the National Assembly shall appoint:Provided that—

(a) the President, in consultation with the Speaker of the National Assembly, may summon, on extraordinary occasions, a meeting of the National Assembly;

(b) the President may, in consultation with the Speaker of the National Assembly, prorogue the National Assembly; and **(c)** the Speaker may at the commencement of each session lay before the National Assembly in accordance with procedures prescribed in the Standing Orders, a calendar of Meetings of the National Assembly within that session for approval by resolution of the National Assembly.

(2) There shall be held at least three meetings of the National Assembly in each session.

(3) A session of the National Assembly shall be opened by the President on such date as the President, in consultation with the Speaker of the National Assembly, shall determine.

(4) A session shall be of such duration as the President, in consultation with the Speaker of the National Assembly, shall determine.