7TH NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
FIRST SESSION
NO. 75

SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Thursday, 1st March, 2012

1. The Senate met at 10:56 a.m. The Senate President read prayers.

2. **Votes and Proceedings:**
The Senate President announced that he had examined the Votes and Proceedings of Wednesday, 29th February, 2012 and approved same.

By unanimous consent, the Votes and Proceedings were approved.

3. **Announcements:**

(a) Notification of Death:
The Senate President read a letter from Senator Kabir G. Marafa (*Zamfara Central*) as follows:

Senator Kabir Garba Marafa
(Marafan Gusau)
Zamfara Central

1st March, 2012
The Senate President,
National Assembly Complex,
Abuja.

Dear Sir,

NOTIFICATION OF DEATH

With heavy heart, I bring to your notice and other Distinguished Senators the death of my dear mother, today 1st March 2012, after a protracted illness. She will be buried at my home town Yandoton-daji in Tsafe Local Government Area of Zamfara State.

Please, join us in praying for her departed soul and may the Almighty Allah grant her Jannattul-Firdaus. Amen.

Yours faithfully,
(Signed)
Senator Kabir Garba Marafa
(Marafan Gusau)

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(b) ***Acknowledgment:***
The Senate President acknowledged the presence of Staff and Students of Gem International School, Owode Yewa, Ogun State who were in the gallery to observe Senate Proceedings.

4. Presentation of Bills:

(*i*) Environmental Managers Registration Council of Nigeria (Establishment, etc) Bill 2012 (SB. 119) — *Read the First Time*.

(*ii*) Franchise Bill 2012 (SB. 109) — *Read the First Time*.

(*iii*) Labour Institutions Bill 2012 (SB. 122) — *Read the First Time*.

5. National Grazing Reserves Commission (Establishment, etc) Bill 2012 (SB.60):
Motion made: That a Bill for an Act to Provide for the Establishment, Preservation and Control of National Grazing Reserves and Stock Routes and the Creation of National Grazing Reserve Commission and for Purposes Connected Therewith Bill 2012 be read the Second Time (*Senator Zaynab A. Kure — Niger South*).

Debate:

Question put and agreed to.

Bill accordingly read the Second Time and referred to the Committees on Agriculture and Rural Development; and States and Local Governments to report within four (4) weeks.

6. Erosion Control and Prevention Commission (Establishment, etc) Bill 2012 (SB.54):

Consideration of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.

7. Adjournment:
Motion made: That the Senate do now adjourn till Tuesday, 6th March, 2012 at 10.00 a.m. (*Senate Leader*).

Adjourned accordingly at 12:12 *p.m.*

Dr. David A. B. Mark, GCON, fnim
President,
Senate of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.