



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

ORDER PAPER

Tuesday, 16 May, 2017

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ORDERS OF THE DAY

BILLS

1. Consolidation of Bills:
 - (a) A Bill for an Act to Amend the National Agency for Food and Drug Administration and Control Act, Cap. N1, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Provide for the Inclusion of Raw and Semi Processed Foods and for Other Related Matters (HB.495) (*Hon. Olufemi Fakeye*);
 - (b) A Bill for an Act to Amend the National Agency for Food and Drug Administration and Control Act, Cap. N1, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Create a Directorate of National Tobacco Control and for Other Related Matters (HB.883) (*Hon. Dickson Tarkighir*); and
 - (c) A Bill for an Act to Amend the National Agency for Food and Drug Administration and Control Act, Cap. N1, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Provide for the Payment of all Monies Received by the Agency into the Federation Account in accordance with Section 162 of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 and for Other Related Matters (HB.940) (*Hon. Gyang Istifanus Dung*).

2. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Pension Reform Act, 2014 to exclude members of the Nigeria Police, the Nigerian Security and Civil Defence Corp, Nigeria Customs Service, Nigerian Prison Service, Nigerian Immigration Service and Economic and Financial Crimes Commission from the Application of the Contributory Pension Scheme; and for Other Related Matters (HB. 398) (*Hon. Oluwole Oke*) — *Second Reading*.
3. A Bill for an Act to Establish the National Food Reserve Agency for the Purposes of Facilitating Food Production, Processing, Storage and Marketing of Food and Grains and Other Commodities for Strategic Purposes and for Other Related Matters (HB. 474) (*Hon. Munir Dan Agundi*) — *Second Reading*.
4. A Bill for an Act to Provide for the Regulation and Prohibition of Arbitrary Change of Name in Nigeria and, in Exceptional Cases, Provide for the Procedure to Change Name in Nigeria, Offences and Penalties for Violation and for Other Related Matters (HB.767) (*Hon. Gyang Istifanus Dung*) — *Second Reading*.

MOTIONS

5. *Reconsideration of Outstanding Bills from the Preceding Assembly (Order Twelve, Rule 16, House Standing Orders):*
Federal College of Dental Technology and Therapy Bill, 2017 (HB. 1018):
Hon. Patrick Asadu:

The House:

Notes that pursuant to Order Twelve, Rule 16 of the Standing Orders of the House, Bills passed by the preceding Assembly and forwarded to the Senate for concurrence for which no concurrence was made or negated or passed by the Senate and forwarded to the House for which no concurrence was made or negated or which were passed by the National Assembly and forwarded to the President for assent but for which assent or withholding thereof was not communicated before the end of the tenure of the Assembly, the House may resolve that such Bills, upon being re-gazetted or clean copies circulated, be re-considered in the Committee of the Whole without being commenced *de-novo*;

Also notes that the Federal College of Dental Technology and Therapy Bill, 2017 was passed by the preceding Assembly and forwarded to the President for assent but for which assent or withholding thereof was not communicated before the end of the tenure of the last Assembly;

Aware that the Bill has been re-gazetted as HB. 1018 and read the first time on Wednesday, 8 April, 2017;

Resolves to:

Commit the Bill to the Committee of the Whole for consideration.

6. *Recurring Allegations of Impropriety and Bias in the Contracting Process between NAPIMS and Nigeria's JV/PSC Partners and their Blatant Disregard of Statutory Provisions and Infractions Against Nigerian Companies:*
Hon. Gaza Jonathan Gbefwi:

The House:

Notes that Nigeria has majority shareholding in the Joint Venture (JV) and Production Sharing Contracts with oil companies in the Oil and Gas sector of the economy;

Also notes that the National Petroleum Investment Management Services (NAPIMS), a subsidiary of the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC), is responsible for managing those assets for Nigeria, protecting its interests and providing oversight in the funding of operations and work programs, contracting, financial (cost) and operational control, project monitoring, audit and compliance with Joint Operating Agreements and other statutory provisions that all operators and government agencies are obliged to observe;

Aware of the plethora of allegations and petitions for over eight (8) years now against NAPIMS and its Management over abuses of the contract award process in favour of preferred contractors, initiation of numerous contract awards (catering, accommodation, vessels etc) without completion and renewal of such contracts continuously in favour of the existing contractors, inclusion of contractors who were not part of the initial bidding process, arbitrary change of originally approved commercial evaluation criteria after submission and evaluation to favour a particular contractor, refusal to initiate replacement contracts for contracts that have terminated (which works in favour of existing contractors), award of contracts at exorbitant rates above current market realities, award of contracts to foreign companies at the expense of local companies (often at a higher cost), refusal to resolve and approve settlement of pecuniary infractions against Nigerian companies by major oil companies even when such cases have been concluded in favour of the petitioners and increasing reports of corruption by top officials of the agency;

Concerned that those infractions are major contributory factors in the increasing high cost of production by oil companies and lack of optimal performance, and if those allegations are not thoroughly investigated, it will lead to loss of confidence in the operations of the oil and gas industry, the anti-corruption drive of government and reduce the capacity of the industry to attract the required investments, which will ultimately hamper the development of local capacity with the attendant loss of the derivable benefits to the local economy;

Also concerned about the apparent inability or reluctance of NNPC to address those allegations which may connote complicity on its part or a dereliction of duty even when it continues to submit billions of dollars annually as proposed appropriation for cash call commitments of the Federal Government to the related contracts;

Resolves to:

Mandate the Committee on Petroleum Resources (Upstream) to investigate the allegations of abuse of contract award processes by the National Petroleum Investment Management Services (NAPIMS) and any other related issue and report back within six (6) weeks for further legislative action.

**7. Need to Consider the Construction Industry for Priority Forex Allocation:
Hon. Sergius Ose Ogun:**

The House:

Notes that the construction industry plays a critical role in the socio-economic growth and enhancement of the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) of any nation through the development of infrastructure, provision of skilled and unskilled labor and generation of income;

Also notes that most construction materials cost a lot of dollars to import and due to an increased cost of doing business, there are bound to be major price fluctuations with ongoing construction projects that will affect previous budgets negatively because the money quoted for some of the projects might no longer be enough to complete them due to increase in the prices of machineries and materials occasioned by Forex challenges;

Aware of fluctuations in the rate of exchange of the Naira to the Dollar which is threatening the completion of those projects as the Naira has been devalued from ₦155 to \$1 to around ₦305 to \$1 at the official rate and around ₦405 to \$1 at the black market;

Concerned that there are many road projects that were awarded in the various States of the Federation and the cost of completing them is over ₦2 trillion, while the value of the Naira attached to those contracts had reduced as a result of the forex crisis, and paucity of fund is a major reason why many construction projects are abandoned, to the detriment of the nation's infrastructural development;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) to consider listing the Construction Industry in the priority list for Forex liquidity along with other sectors; and
- (ii) mandate the Committees on Works, Public Procurement and Banking and Currency to work out modalities for achieving the above objective and also breaking down payments into Naira and Dollars for all major construction Projects, and report back on eight (8) weeks for further legislative action.

8. Need to Check the Reckless Conduct of Bullion Van Drivers and their Police Escorts on the Roads:

Hon. Segun Adekola Alexander:

The House:

Notes with concern the high rate of disruption of the flow of traffic and accidents occasioned by the reckless attitude of bullion van drivers and their police escorts on the roads;

Recalls the incident of 14 February, 2017, when a painter, Mr Eze Akpan was killed by stray bullets from a police team escorting a bullion van in Port Harcourt, Rivers State;

Observes that incidents of this nature are becoming daily occurrences on the roads with motorists either being shoved off the road or crashed into, at times resulting in death or maiming, due to the excessive speed or dangerous maneuvering tactics of the Bullion Van drivers or stray bullets from their police escorts;

Also observes that in the process of transporting cash and valuables from one location to the other, policemen escorting the vans take the laws into their hands, harassing, molesting and intimidating other road users into panicky motoring decisions;

Worried that these incessant harassments of innocent motorists are reminders of military despotism of years past;

Cognizant of an urgent need to nip this aberration in the bud before it does more harm to the psyche of the people;

Resolves to:

- (i) call on the Inspector General of Police and the Corps Marshal of the Federal Road Safety Commission to collaborate to put in place measures that will regulate the conduct of bullion van drivers and their police escorts to stem the violations of traffic rules and regulations and stop the harassments of motorists on the roads; and
- (ii) mandate the Committees on Police Affairs, and Federal Road Safety Commission to ensure implementation and report back within six (6) weeks for further legislative action.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

9. **Committee on Works:**
Hon. Toby Okechukwu:
 "That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Works on a Bill for an Act to Amend the Surveyors Registration Council of Nigeria Act, Cap. S18, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Review the Fines Upwards and for Other Related Matters (HB. 545) and approve the recommendations therein" (*Laid: 10/5/2017*).
10. **Committee on FCT Judiciary**
Hon. Muntari Dandutse:
 "That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on FCT Judiciary on a Bill for an Act to Amend the Federal Capital Territory Customary Court Act, Cap. F39, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to remove Civil Matters from the Jurisdiction of the Court Leaving it essentially with Customary Matters and for Other Matters Connected Therewith (HB. 190) and approve the recommendations therein" (*Laid: 8/12/2016*).

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

	<i>Committee</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Venue</i>
1.	Rules and Business	Tuesday, 16 May, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 (White House) Assembly Complex
2.	Local Content	Tuesday, 16 May, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 244 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
3.	Electoral and Political Party Matters	Tuesday, 16 May, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 1.07 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
4.	Sports (<i>with Hon. Minister of Youth and Sports Development</i>)	Tuesday, 16 May, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 231 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
5.	<i>Ad-hoc</i> Committee to investigate Operational Activities of Telecommuni- cations Equipment and Services Companies/Vendors in Nigeria (<i>with Stakeholders</i>)	Tuesday, 16 May, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 447 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
6.	FCT Area Councils and Ancillary Matters (<i>Investigative Hearing with Executive Secretary FCDA on Resettlement and Payment of Compensation to Original Inhabitants of FCT</i>)	Tuesday, 16 May, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 028 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
7.	Public Petitions (<i>Investigative Hearing</i>)	Tuesday, 16 May, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 429 New Building (House) Assembly Complex

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| 8. | Public Accounts | Tuesday, 16 May, 2017 | 3.00 p.m. | Committee Room 446
New Building (House)
Assembly Complex |
| 9. | <i>Ad-hoc</i> Committee on
Economic Recession | Tuesday, 16 May, 2017 | 3.00 p.m. | Committee Room 357
New Building (House)
Assembly Complex |
| 10. | <i>Ad-hoc</i> Committee on the
Abuse of Pioneer Status | Tuesday, 16 May, 2017 | 3.00 p.m. | Committee Room 3.77
New Building (House)
Assembly Complex |
| 11. | Federal Character (<i>with
Nigerian Railway
Corporation, Anambra-Imo
River Basin Development
Authority, National Hospital,
Abuja and National
Population Commission</i>) | Tuesday, 16 May, 2017 | 3.00 p.m. | Committee Room 247
New Building (House)
Assembly Complex |