HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

ORDER PAPER

Tuesday, 31 May, 2016

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ORDERS OF THE DAY

BILLS

1. A Bill for an Act to Amend the National Judicial Institute Act, Cap. N 55, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria; 2004 to specify the tenure of office of the Administrator; and for Other Matters Related Thereto (HB. 302) — *Third Reading*.

2. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Prevention of Crimes Act, Cap. P27, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 by Increasing the Prescribed Penalties; and for Other Related Matters (HB. 233) — *Third Reading*.

3. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Water Resources Act, Cap. W2, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Review Upwards the stipulated Fines and Penalties for Offences under the Act, and for Other Related Matters (HB. 234) — *Third Reading*.

4. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Endangered Species (Control of International Trade and Traffic) Act, Cap. E9, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004, to Review the Fines Upwards in order to have a more Deterrent effect and Reflect the Economic Realities; and for Other Related Matters (HB. 249) — *Third Reading*.

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5. A Bill for an Act to amend the Agricultural and Rural Management Training Institute Act, Cap. A.10, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to allow Other Federal Universities Participate on the Board of the Institute; and for Other Related Matters (HB. 241) — *Third Reading*.

6. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Telecommunications and Postal Offences Act, Cap. T5, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004; and for Other Related Matters (HB. 216) — *Third Reading*.

7. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Treaty to Establish the African Economic Community Relating to the Pan-African Parliament (Accession and Jurisdiction) Act, Cap. T25, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 by giving it additional Powers to Propose, Submit or Recommend Draft Model Laws to the Assembly; and for Other Related Matters (HB. 243) — *Third Reading*.

8. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Utilities Charges Commission Act, Cap. U17, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Review Upwards the Fines Stipulated for Offences under the Act; and for Other Matters Related Thereto (HB. 244) — *Third Reading*.

9. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Chartered Institute of Stockbrokers Act, Cap. C9, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to increase the Prescribed Penalties; and for Other Matters Connected Therewith (HB. 242) — *Third Reading*.

10. A Bill for an Act Amend the Petroleum Products Pricing Regulatory Agency (Establishment) Act, Cap. P43, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 (HB. 245) — *Third Reading*.

11. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Petroleum Training Institute Act, Cap. P16, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004, to introduce Hearing by a Disciplinary Panel so as to comply with requirements of Fair Hearing; and for Other Related Matters (HB. 251) — *Third Reading*.

12. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Quantity Surveyors (Registration, etc.) Act, Cap. Q1, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004, to ensure that crime is committed based on knowledge not belief and to ensure compliance through enhanced penalty; and for Other Matters Connected Therewith (HB. 252) — *Third Reading*.

13. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Bees (Import, Control and Management) Act, Cap. B6, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Review the Penalty Provisions and Compensation in Order to Make the Act more Effective; and for Other Related Matters (HB. 238) — *Third Reading*.

14. A Bill for an Act to Provide Easy Access to Higher Education for Nigerians through Interest Free Loans from Nigerian Education Bank Established in the Act with a view to providing Education for all Nigerians; and for Other Related Matters (HB. 435) (*Hon. Femi Gbajabiamila*) — *Second Reading*.

15. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Advisory Council on Religious Affairs Act, Cap. A8, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and Re-enact the National Peace Council to Promote Peace and Religious Harmony in the Country and a Bill for an Act to Provide for the Establishment of the National Commission for Peace, Reconciliation and Mediation, to identify Conflicts, and for the Supervision, Coordination and Monitoring of all Peaceful Resolutions between Governments; Organisations, etc. in Nigeria; and for Other Related Matters (HBs 74 and 449) (*Hon. Umar Buba Jibril and Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta*) — *Second Reading*.

16. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Chartered Institute of Finance and Control of Nigeria for the Regulation and Control of Chartered Finance Controllers; and for Other Connected Purposes (HB. 75) (*Hon. Betty Apiafi and Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta*) — *Second Reading*.

17. ~~A Bill for an Act to Incorporate~~ Annex 12 to the ~~Convention on International Civil Aviation~~, 1944 into Nigerian Law, to Establish the Nigerian Search and Rescue Services; and for Other Matters Connected Therewith (HB. 319) (*Hon. Ekpenyong Essien Ayi*) — *Second Reading*.

18. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Prisons Act, Cap. P29, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and Re-enact the Nigerian Prisons and Correctional Service to make Comprehensive Provisions for the Administration of Prisons in Nigeria; and a Bill for an Act to make Comprehensive Provisions for the Administration of Prisons in Nigeria; and for Other Related Matters (HBs 516 and 517) (*Hon. Danburam Abubakar Nuhu and Hon. Johnbull Shekarau*) — *Second Reading*.

19. A Bill for an Act Amend the Counterfeit and Fake Drugs and Unwholesome Processed Foods (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, Cap. C34, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004, to increase the Penalties for Offences under the Act, to make Comprehensive Provisions for Assets Forfeiture, Compensation ; and for Other Matters Connected Therewith (HB. 43) (*Hon. Goodluck Nanah Opiah*) — *Second Reading*.

MOTIONS

20. Urgent Need to Address Guaranteed Minimum Tonnage at Nigeria's Ports:
Hon. Mohammed Kabir Ajanah:

The House:

Notes that Nigeria's Port Concession Programme which was completed in 2006 was initiated to address the country's inefficient port system and to position Nigeria as a user-friendly trans-shipment hub in West and Central Africa;

Also notes that through the reform policy, cargo operational responsibilities were transferred to the private sector terminal operators, while port infrastructure remained in the hands of the government;

Further notes that the reform spurred an increase in ship and cargo as foreign shipping lines renewed their confidence in Nigeria's port operations from 44,952 containers in 2006 to 1.2 million in 2014 and there were also improved safety and efficiency in handling and delivery of cargo and also improvements in Turn -Around -Times (TAT); all achieved within the post-concession era in an improved business environment;

Aware that challenges associated with port services still exist, including loss of ships to neighbouring ports due to cumbersome cargo procedures, arbitrary charges and rates which bring leakages in revenue collection;

Concerned that the Concession Agreement is not achieving one of its core objectives of remittances to government coffers, for instance, the Guaranteed Minimum Tonnage (GMT) policy provides that Terminal Operators are obliged to guarantee minimum tonnage, handle and achieve 90 per cent of forecast or projected volume or as contained in their technical proposals and failure to achieve this would result in payment of penalties;

Disturbed that Terminal Operators are failing to meet projected GMT and also failing to pay the penalties, resulting in loss of revenues for the government, and the unilateral application of incentives by those who exceeded their projected GMT results in arbitrary imposition of charges by service providers and unless terms of Agreements are adhered to by all parties, the vision for Nigeria's port services may remain unfulfilled;

Resolves to:

(*i*) Mandate the Committee on Ports, Harbours and Waterways to investigate the Port Concession Agreement in order to improve productivity and competitiveness at Nigeria's ports;

(*ii*) call on Nigerian Ports Authority and Nigerian Shippers' Council to conduct a forensic review of the current status of the Guaranteed Minimum Tonnage Policy; and

(*iii*) also call on the Terminal Operators at the Ports to adhere strictly to the obligations as stated in their Terms of Reference.

21. Urgent Need to Check the Spate of Bombings by Controlling Access to Explosives: Hon. Rimamnde Shawalu Kwewum:

The House:

Notes that explosives are widely used as indispensable tools in the construction industry, exploitation of minerals, drilling of oil and other exploration activities;

Also notes that very large quantities of explosives are imported into Nigeria and are transported to all parts of the country, usually with one or two policemen escorting a truck load of explosives; and the companies using the explosives store, transfer and use them as they deem fit without supervision from the security agencies;

Further notes that since terrorism became rampant in Nigeria, explosives have been exploited for sinister purposes by terrorists, as investigations have shown that more than 70% of Improvised Explosives Devices (IEDs) detonated in the country had major ingredients of ammonium nitrate, detonators and detonating cords, as a result, the Federal Government had since 2013, created a data base of all explosives manufactured, stored, sold, transferred or utilized in Nigeria;

Concerned that unlike in most parts of the world where explosives have been redefined as security threat items and are strictly controlled, in Nigeria, explosives are yet to be treated as such items and are still available, without end users and their workers being properly profiled by security agencies;

Also concerned that the porous nature of the nation's borders, the famed corruption in the public sector and the proliferation of illicit mining by Nigerians and foreigners may worsen the security situation in the country if more transparent and accountable control measures are not put in place;

Resolves to:

(*i*) Mandate the Committees on National Security and Intelligence, and Solid Minerals Development to investigate the processes of importation, manufacture, transfer, storage and use of explosives and determine the level of compliance with existing regulations and also determine whether the existing regulatory framework meet international best practices;

(*ii*) urge companies using explosives to urgently audit their stocks, check the back ground of the staff handling explosives and impose enhanced security measures; and

(*iii*) also urge the security agencies and relevant Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs) to, as a matter of urgency, review their records and recheck the records of companies and persons handling explosives.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

22. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Code of Conduct Bureau and Tribunal Act, Cap. C15, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004; and for Other Matters Connected Therewith (HB. 230) (*Committee of the Whole*: 4/5/2016).

23. A Bill for an Act to Regulate the Practice and to make provisions for Animal Health Husbandry Technologists Registration Board of Nigeria; and for Other Matters Connected Therewith (HB. 320) (*Committee of the Whole*: 17/5/2016).

24. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Mortgage Institutions Act, Cap. M19 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004; and for Other Matters Connected Therewith (HB. 253) (*Committee of the Whole*: 4/5/2016).

25. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the National Insurance Corporation of Nigeria Act, Cap. N54, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004; and for Other Related Matters (HB. 270) (*Committee of the Whole*: 4/5/2016).

26. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Dangerous Drugs Act, Cap. D1, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004, to give Powers to the Minister of Health to Regulate certain classes of Drugs, allow arrest to be effected by Members of the Public and Review the Prescribed Penalties Provided under the Act; and for Other Related Matters (HB. 292) (*Committee of the Whole*: 4/5/2016).

27. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Nigerian Investment Promotion Commission Act, Cap. N117, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004; and for Other Related Matters (HB. 248) (*Committee of the Whole*: 4/5/2016).

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

	Committee	*Date*	*Time*	*Venue*
1.	Rules and Business	Tuesday, 31 May, 2016	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 (White House) Assembly Complex
2.	Rural Development	Tuesday, 31 May, 2016	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 468 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
3.	Diaspora	Tuesday, 31 May, 2016	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 349 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
4.	Healthcare Services	Tuesday, 31 May, 2016	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 236 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
5.	Federal Character (*with National Pension Commission (PENCOM) and Federal University, Ndufu Alike, Ebonyi State*)	Tuesday, 31 May, 2016	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 247 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
6.	Women in Parliament	Tuesday, 31 May, 2016	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 024 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
7.	*Ad-hoc* Committee on Deregulation of Petroleum (Downstream) Sector (*with major oil Marketers of Nigeria*)	Tuesday, 31 May, 2016	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 460 New Building (House) Assembly Complex