



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

ORDER PAPER

Wednesday, 11 July, 2018

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PRESENTATION OF BILLS

1. Nigerian Peace Keeping (Support and Participation) Bill, 2018 (HB. 1513) (*Hon. Oluwole Oke*) – *First Reading*.
 2. National Broadcasting Commission Act (Amendment) Bill, 2018 (HB. 1514) (*Hon. James Faleke*) – *First Reading*.
 3. Armed Forces Act (Amendment) Bill, 2018 (HB. 1515) (*Hon. Awaji-Inombek D. Abiante*) – *First Reading*.
 4. Federal College of Education (Technical), Gboko (Establishment) Bill, 2018 (HB. 1516) (*Hon. John Dyegh*) – *First Reading*.
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PRESENTATION OF REPORTS

1. **Committee on Federal Capital Territory Area Councils and Ancillary Matters:**
Hon. Jisalo B. Zephaniah:
“That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Federal Capital Territory Area Councils and Ancillary Matters on a Bill for an Act to Establish the Federal Capital Territory Area Councils Service Commission to Provide a Legal Framework for Regulation of the Employment and Working Conditions of the Area Councils Staff with a view to Professionalizing the FCT Area Councils Service and for Related Matters (HB. 975) (*Referred: 1/6/2017*)

**2. Committee on Federal Capital Territory Area Councils and Ancillary Matters:
Hon. Jisalo B. Zephaniah:**

“That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Federal Capital Territory Area Councils and Ancillary Matters on the Need to Investigate the failure of Abuja Geographic Information System (AGIS) and the Accelerated Area Council and Sectional Titles Reissuance Scheme (AACSTRIS) to Process the backlog of Applications for issuance of Certificates of Occupancy in FCT Area Council” (*HR. 210/2017*).

ORDERS OF THE DAY

BILLS

1. A Bill for an Act to Allocate the Returned Looted Nigerian Government Funds of \$322.5 Million from Switzerland for Funding of Ajaokuta Steel Company and Railway Line (s) Projects in Nigeria and for Related Matters (HB. 1510) (*Hon. Ossai N. Ossai*) – *Second Reading*.
2. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Federal University of Agriculture, Jalingo; and for Related Matters (HB. 1374) (*Hon. Malle Aminu Ibrahim*) – *Second Reading*.
3. A Bill for an Act to Amend Section (1)(3) of the Federal Universities of Technology Act, Cap. F23, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004, by Providing for the Power of the Universities to Establish Technology Park for the Conduct of Invention and Innovation in Technology; and for Related Matters (HB. 1433) (*Hon. Ayeola Abayomi Abdul-Kabir*) – *Second Reading*.

MOTIONS

4. **Request for Extension of Time to enable the *Ad-hoc* Committee Set Up to Interface with the National Hajj Commission of Nigeria (NAHCON) and other Stakeholders on Exorbitant Fares Proposed for the 2017 Hajj Exercise Conclude its Assignment:
Hon. Muhammad Umar Bago:**

The House:

Recalls that on Wednesday, 15 June, 2017, an *Ad-hoc* Committee was constituted to interface with the National Hajj Commission of Nigeria (NAHCON) and other stakeholders to determine the reasons for the increase in fares and find ways of reducing the 2017 Hajj Fares to an acceptable level;

Aware that Hajj is a yearly religious obligation, and to ascertain the level of increase or decrease in the Hajj Fares of the 2017 Operations there is need to make a comparative analysis of the 2017 Hajj Operation with the forthcoming 2018 Hajj Operation;

Desirous of undertaking a diligent approach to the assignment with a view to arriving at informed recommendations;

Resolves to:

Grant additional time of four (4) weeks to the *Ad-hoc* Committee within which to conclude its assignment.

5. **Need to Address the Effect of Carbon Emission on Climate Change in Nigeria:
Hon. Jimoh Abdulraheem Olajide:**

The House

Notes that climate change causes increasing temperature leading to desert encroachment, coastal

degradation, variability in weather patterns to stress in agricultural and livestock sectors resulting in volatile food prices and more frequent and violent storms;

Worried that Green House Gas, such as carbon dioxide which exist naturally, trap heat in the atmosphere and regulate the climate, but humans activities such as the burning fossil for energy affects the climate;

Aware that scientists in the United States and the world have overwhelmingly agreed that climate change is real and caused primarily by human activity;

Also aware of the remark by Mr. Niyi Yussuf, the Nigeria Country Manager of Accenture, that climate change is a momentous threat to development, peace and security, and to market stability;

Further aware that climate change poses fundamental threat to human, animal, and people's livelihood;

Recalls that in order to address the effect of Carbon emission – world business leaders adopted low-carbon business models, while companies are realizing opportunities for growth and innovation in addressing the climate change;

Further worried that increase in global temperature is significantly altering our planet's climate, resulting in more extreme and unpredictable weather;

Resolves to:

- (i) Urge the Federal government of Nigeria to, as a matter of urgency, join world leaders to address the current climate change caused by emissions and other catalysts;
- (ii) also Urge the Oil and Natural Gas sector in Nigeria to advance policies aimed at addressing all issues on climate change;
- (iii) Mandate the Committees on Climate Change, Environment and Habitat, Gas Resources, Information, National Orientation, Ethics and Values, to liaise with the Ministries of Environment, Petroleum Resources, and Information and Culture to figure out the best strategies to tackle climate change and adequately prepare for the consequences of global warming, which is being experienced in the world.

6. Need to Ensure Compliance with the Pension Reform Act, 2014 by all States of the Federation and the Federal Capital Territory (FCT):
Hon. Akinwunmi Nurudeen Olaitan:

The House:

Notes that only four states in the country have complied with the compulsory group life insurance policy, as stipulated in the Pension Reform Act, 2014;

Worried that the essence of the Pension Reform Act which is to ensure that every person who worked in either the public service of the Federation, Federal Capital Territory or private sector services gets his retirement benefits as at when due, amongst other objectives is being defeated;

Concerned that group life insurance policy as stipulated by Pension Reform Act was created to protect families from financial hardship in the events of death or retirement of their bread winners;

Aware that the risks of not having group life insurance policy are often great and unimaginable, noting that Fourteen years after the Contributory Pension Scheme (CPS) instituted by the

Pension Reform Act, 2014 which mandated employers to maintain group life insurance for employees, only Lagos, Niger, Osun and Rivers States have complied;

Also aware that in addition to the rates specified in Section 4 (5) of the Pension Reform Act, 2014, Sub Section (1) stipulates that "Every employer shall maintain a group life insurance policy in favour of each employee for a minimum of three times the annual total emolument of the employee and premium shall be paid not later than the date of commencement of the cover";

Also aware that Subsection (6) of the same Section states that, "*Where the employer failed, refused or omitted to make payment as and when due, the employer shall make arrangement to effect the payment of claims arising from the death of any staff in its employment during such period*";

Further aware that many workers died while in active service and no insurance compensation is paid to their beneficiaries;

Resolves to:

- (i) mandate the Committees on Insurance and Actuarial matters, Pensions and Finance to convene a stakeholders legislative forum on NAICOM, PENCOR and insurers in the country with a view to implementing the life group insurance policy;
- (ii) also mandate the Committee on Insurance and Actuarial Matters to ensure compliance of the group life Insurance Policy in the remaining 32 states of the Federation and the FCT.

**7. Urgent Need for Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) to Adjust its Time Table for the Conduct of Presidential and National Assembly Primary Elections:
Hon. Abdullahi Balarabe Salame:**

The House:

Notes that the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) has recently announced Time Table for the 2019 General Elections and the schedule of its activities;

Further notes that according to the INEC Time Table, the Presidential and National Assembly primaries will begin on August 18, 2018;

Concerned that the Timetable scheduled by INEC for the commencement of Presidential and National Assembly primaries will be two days before Arafat which will begin in the evening of Monday, 20th August, 2018 and end in the evening of Tuesday, 21 August, 2018 subject to a little variation of dates;

Aware that observance of Arafat day is one of the major cardinals of hajj pilgrimage, the non-performance of which will make the pilgrimage an incomplete exercise;

Worried that the time scheduled by INEC for the conduct of such primaries will create a lot of inconvenience for Nigerian Muslim pilgrims participating in the primaries;

Resolve to:

- (i) Urge the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) to adjust its time table for the conduct of the Presidential and National Assembly primaries to enable Nigerian Muslim politicians attend the hajj pilgrimage and later participate in the primaries.

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CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

8. A Bill for an Act to Provide for Establishment of the Nigeria Centre for Disease Control and Prevention, to Promote, Coordinate and Facilitate the Prevention, Detection and Control of Communicable Diseases in Nigeria; and for Related Matters (HB. 1199) (*House Leader*) – (*Committee of the Whole: 3/7/2018*).
9. A Bill for an Act to make Provision for Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters between Nigeria and other Foreign States; and for Related Matters (HB. 1060) (*Leader*) – (*Committee of the Whole: 19/7/2017*).

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

1.	Rules and Business	Wednesday, 11 July, 2018	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 (White House) Assembly Complex
2.	Public Petitions (<i>Investigative Hearing</i>)	Wednesday, 11 July, 2018	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 447 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
3.	Niger Delta Affairs	Wednesday, 11 July, 2018	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 327 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
4.	Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs), Refugees and Initiatives on North-East Zone (<i>with PCNI</i>)	Wednesday, 11 July, 2018	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 244 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
5.	Federal Character (<i>with Nigerian Prison Services, Bank of Industry and Fire Service</i>)	Wednesday, 11 July, 2018	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 247 New Building (House) Assembly Complex

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