



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

ORDER PAPER

Wednesday, 12 July, 2017

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PRESENTATION OF BILL

Whistle Blower Protection Bill, 2017 (HB. 1073) (*Hon. Koyade Oladele*) — *First Reading*.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

BILLS

1. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Criminal Justice (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, Cap. C39, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Review the Penalties Provided for Offences under the Act and give Members of the Public power to Arrest Offenders under the Act and for Other Related Matters (HB. 222) (*Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta*) — *Second Reading*.
2. A Bill for an Act to Provide for the Establishment of Federal College of Education, Lissam, Taraba State for the Purposes of Providing Qualitative Education in Sciences, Arts, Social Sciences and Other Technical Knowledge and for Related Matters (HB. 1042) (*Hon. Rimamnde Shawulu Kwewum*) — *Second Reading*.
3. A Bill for an Act to Provide a Legal Framework for the Code of Ethics for Medical Practitioners in Nigeria, to serve as a Guide for Medical Practice in Nigeria and for Related Matters (HB.1010) (*Hon. Ali Isa J. C.*) — *Second Reading*.

MOTIONS

4. **Reconsideration of Outstanding Bills from the Preceding Assembly (Order Twelve, Rule 16, Standing Orders of the House of Representatives):**

Institute of Chartered Economists of Nigeria (Establishment) Bill, 2016 (HB. 710):

Hon. Solomon Maren:

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 was 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 Institute of Chartered Economists of Nigeria (Establishment) Bill 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. 710 and read the first time on Thursday, 23 June, 2016;

Resolves to:

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

5. **Resurgence of Boko Haram Insurgency in Maiduguri:**

Hon. Mohammed Tahir Monguno

Hon. Ayuba Mohammed Bello

Hon. Mohammed Nur Sheriff

Hon. Mahmud Lawan Maina

Hon. Mohammed Sanda A. Ngamdu

Hon. Mallam Bukar Gana

Hon. Abdulkadir Rahis:

The House:

Notes that with the coming of this administration, remarkable efforts were achieved in the fight against the Boko Haram insurgents;

Appreciates the gallantry of the Nigerian Forces in subjecting the Boko Haram Insurgency to its knees, whereof seventeen Local Government Areas that were once under the control of the Boko Haram were taken back by the Nigerian Armed Forces;

Aware that the efforts have yielded results to the extent that business activities have fully resumed in Borno State;

Disturbed that, recently the Boko Haram insurgency has resurfaced, in which Maiduguri was attacked but repelled by the Military Personnel;

Again disturbed by the state of bombing recently re-surfacing in Maiduguri and its environs which leaves much to be desired;

Also aware that for the past seven months allowances of the Officers and the Men of the Armed Forces have not been paid thereby killing their morals;

Alarmed that most of the operational vehicles for the fighting forces are non-functional hence resulting in their poor performance.

Resolves to:

- (i) urge the Chief of Defence Staff, Chief of Army Staff and Chief of Air Staff to immediately strategize their men to quell again the resurgence of the Boko Haram insurgency;
- (ii) also urge the Federal Government to release to the military authorities without delay, the allowances of the Soldiers on the battle field and continue to pay their allowances as at when due; and
- (iii) mandate the Committees on Defence, Army, and Air Force to ensure compliance.

**6. Need to Evaluate the Multi Year Tariff Order (MYTO) System of Electricity Tariff in Nigeria:
Hon Shehu Aliyu Musa:**

The House:

Aware that prior to the introduction of the MYTO in 2008, there was no transparent commercial electricity tariff setting framework that reflected the true price of electricity in Nigeria in terms of what it costs to generate one MW of power, transmit and distribute same to customers, despite the fact that electricity was considered a public welfare service provided by the government and whose price had traditionally been subsidized;

Also aware that Section 76 of the Electric Power Sector Reform Act (EPSRA) of 2005 provides for the National Electricity Regulatory Commission (NERC) to adopt an appropriate tariff methodology, which, among other general tariff principles, shall allow for the recovery of costs, including a reasonable rate of return to the power sector and provide incentives to market operators to improve efficiency and quality;

Notes that to this effect, NERC in 2008 adopted the Multi Year Tariff Order (MYTO) methodology to regulate tariffs and tariff setting process in consultation with industry stakeholders, labour and consumer groups to provide a correct pricing of electricity, taking into consideration the key principles of cost reflectivity, affordability of electricity tariffs and incentives for efficient operations;

Also notes that it is a five-year electricity tariff path over a 15-year period, with semi-annual minor reviews for inflation, exchange rates and gas prices, and major reviews every five years for all other assumptions (including available generation capacity, forecast of electricity demand, expansion of the transmission and distribution networks, interest rates and subsidies) and inputs (including capital expenditure, operating expenditure, revenue collection efficiencies, cost of capital, etc) as the tariff is based on the new entrant cost profile for generation companies and the building block approach to electricity pricing of transmission and distribution services;

Further aware that electricity tariff in Nigeria has kept increasing from ₦4.50/kwh to about ₦6/Kwh in 2000, from ₦9 to ₦11.50 per Kwh with an average of ₦10 per kwh between 2008-2011, and to the present average rate of ₦14 per Kwh;

Concerned about the quantum of public outcry over the continuous increase of the tariff over the past ten (10) years without commensurate value for money and also about the billions of naira the government is paying to private concessioners as subsidy even after the privatization of the sector, not counting the untold hardship being experienced by Nigerians and the collapse of small and medium scale businesses and industries;

Resolves to:

Set up an *Ad-hoc* Committee to interface with the National Electricity Regulatory Commission (NERC) and other stakeholders to critically evaluate the MYTO system and re- assess all its inputs and assumptions in order to come up with a realistic and acceptable tariff regime, and report back in six (6) weeks for further legislative action.

7. Need for Institutions of Learning to Identify and Manage Pupils and Students with Learning Disabilities:

Hon. Omosede G. Igbinedion:

The House:

Notes that statistics from 'Helping Hands School of Special Learning' shows that about 12 million Nigerians live with learning disabilities ranging from dyslexia, dysgraphia, Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) and poor mental math ability, with six (6) million of them being children;

Aware that such learning disabilities affect vital parts of the learner such as spelling ability, writing capacity, expression and consistency in basic computation among others and the problem is not due to lack of intelligence or desire to learn but neurological in nature;

Also aware that having learning disabilities has a significant impact on a child's life, particularly in the face of the failure or inability of many schools in the country to take adequate measures to manage the challenges as many in the field are not trained and those people with the disabilities need different levels of support to manage and overcome those challenges;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge teachers and academic supervisors in all institutions of learning to identify and specially manage children living with dyslexia and other learning disabilities and give them extra-time during examinations, where necessary;
- (ii) also urge the Federal Ministry of Education to cause a revision of the National School Curriculum with ample consideration given to the individual's deficit, learning style, behavioural patterns and personality profile of each child; and
- (iii) mandate the Committees on Basic Education and Services, and Tertiary Education and Services to ensure implementation and report back in eight (8) weeks for further legislative action.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

8. Committee on Works:

Hon. Toby Okechukwu:

"That the House do resume consideration of the Report of the Committee on Works on a Bill for an Act to Establish the National Roads Fund for the Purpose of Financing Routine and Periodic Maintenance of National Roads and for Other Related Matters (*Adjourned Consideration: 23/5/2017*).

9. Ad-hoc Committee to Investigate all Cases of Invasion of Property and Arrests of Persons for Reasons Outside the General Duties of the State Security Service (SSS):

Hon. Garba Datti Muhammad.

"That the House do consider the Report of the *Ad-hoc* Committee to investigate all cases of invasion of property and arrests of persons for reasons outside the general duties of the State Security Service (SSS) as prescribed by the National Security Agencies Act, since 29 May, 2015 and approve the recommendations therein" (*Laid: 11/4/2017*):

- (i) that there is a need to amend the National Security Agencies Act, to more clearly state the powers of the State Security Service to investigate corruption cases that affect national security;
- (ii) that there is a need to amend the National Security Agencies Act, by incorporating the principles enshrined in the Instrument No. SSS I to make for a more comprehensive statute as well as end speculation over the status of the Instrument in Nigeria's hierarchy of laws;

- (iii) that there is a need to amend the Evidence Act, 2011 by repealing sections 14 and 15 to make evidence obtained as a result of an illegal search inadmissible as obtainable in other jurisdictions like the United States;
- (iv) that for the purpose of future arrests, the SSS must differentiate between cases of persons who offer no threat both in terms of physical violence and capacity for escape and therefore not needing to be subjected to auxiliary measures (including arrest at night) on the one hand, and those persons in respect of whom such measures are justifiable on the other hand, in order to minimise the needless apprehension and trauma to which such persons were subjected;
- (v) that the amendments to the NSA Act contained in Recommendations (i) and (iii) can only be attained by the procedure for the alteration of the 1999 Constitution under section 9 (1) and (2). This is on account of the provisions of section 315 (5) of the 1999 Constitution, which provides that the NSA Act, amongst others, "shall not be altered or repealed except in accordance with the provisions of section 9 (2) of this Constitution";
- (vi) that the SSS should tender an unreserved apology to the Akwa Ibom State Government for the embarrassment occasioned by the failure of the SSS to clarify to both the Akwa Ibom State Government and the public the circumstances in which it executed the search warrant at the Akwa Ibom State Government Lodge and the outcome of the search;
- (vii) that given what has happened on the arrest and prosecution of judges for corruption related offences and the incident in Port Harcourt during the botched attempt to arrest a judge, there is the need for the SSS to adopt a system of briefing political office holders and senior public servants at the onset of their appointments on the conduct expected of them and what would be considered improper or unlawful conduct under the law. This should be one of the responsibilities of the various State Directors of the SSS.

10. Committee on Public Petitions:

Report on the Petition by Samuel Umeadi Moge kwu:

Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta:

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Samuel Umeadi Moge kwu against the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) on alleged wrongful dismissal from Service and approve the recommendation therein" (*Laid: 18/5/2017*):

Urge the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) to reverse the dismissal of Mr. Samuel Umeadi Moge kwu from service to retirement and pay him all his entitlements, including his gratuity and pension, with effect from the date he was dismissed from the service.

11. Committee on Public Petitions:

Report on the Petition by Toki Rainbow Microfinance Bank Ltd:

Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta:

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Toki Rainbow Microfinance Bank Ltd against Julius Berger Plc for debt owed for over 20 years and refusal to obey Court Order to pay and approve the recommendation therein" (*Laid: 18/5/2017*):

Urge Julius Berger Plc to obey the Court Order to pay the debt owed Toki Rainbow Microfinance Bank as at December, 2016 in the sum of Four Hundred and Twenty-Two Million, Four Hundred and Fifty-Seven Thousand, Five Hundred and Sixty-Seven Naira (N422, 457, 567) being the proceeds and accrued interest in respect of the contract for over 20 years.

12. Committee on Public Petitions:

Report on the Petition by Hon. Macaulay I. Obia:

Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta:

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Hon. Macaulay I. Obia against the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC) on its failure to settle his entitlements since his employment in 1992 and approve the recommendations therein" (*Laid: 14/5/2017*):

- (i) urge the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC) to compute the salaries of Hon. Macaulay I. Obia from January 1993 when the salary was stopped, to December 2008;
- (ii) that Hon. Macaulay I. Obia should be retired with effect from 2008 and all his entitlements, gratuity and pension be paid to him.

13. Committee on Public Petitions:

Report on the petition by Professor Chibuike Uche:

Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta:

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Professor Chibuike Uche against his dismissal from University of Nigeria, Nsukka and approve the recommendations therein" (*Laid: 14/5/2017*):

- (i) urge the Governing Council of University of Nigeria, Nsukka to reverse the dismissal order as if it never happened;
- (ii) allow Professor Chibuike Uche to resign with effect from the date of the purported dismissal.

14. Committee on Public Petitions:

Report on the Petition by Kisha T. Alabura:

Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta:

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Kisha T. Alabura against the National Youth Service Corps for unlawful termination of appointment and approve the recommendation therein" (*Laid: 14/5/2017*):

That Kisha T. Alabura and the National Youth Service Corps should be commended for the amicable settlement of the matter.

15. Committee on Public Petitions:

Report on the Petition by Kareem Fatai Olaniran:

Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta:

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Kareem Fatai Olaniran against the Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC) on unlawful termination of his appointment and approve the recommendation therein" (*Laid: 14/5/2017*):

Urge the Federal Road Safety Commission to reinstate Kareem Fatai Olaniran in line with the FRSC Disciplinary Committee's (FDC) Report that discharged and acquitted him of the offence of extorting money while on patrol.

16. Committee on Public Petitions:

Report on the Petition by Diya Grace Ajibola:

Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta:

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Diya Grace Ajibola against the National Examinations Council (NECO) on termination of appointment and approve the recommendations therein" (*Laid: 14/5/2017*):

- (i) that the decisions of the first disciplinary panel that heard and took oral evidence be upheld;
- (ii) that the National Examinations Council (NECO) should reinstate Diya Grace Ajibola.

17. **Committee on Public Petitions:**
Report on the Petition by Ude Abara Chika:
Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta:

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Ude Abara Chika against the Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC) on wrongful termination of his appointment, stoppage of salary and unfair hearing and approve the recommendation therein" (*Laid: 14/5/2017*);

Urge the Federal Road Safety Commission to reinstate Ude Abara Chika.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

	<i>Committee</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Venue</i>
1.	Rules and Business	Wednesday, 12 July, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 (White House) Assembly Complex
2.	Public Accounts	Wednesday, 12 July, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 446 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
3.	Public Petitions (<i>Investigative Hearing</i>)	Wednesday, 12 July, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 429 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
4.	Internally Displaced Persons, Refugees and Initiatives on North East Zone	Wednesday, 12 July, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 247 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
5.	<i>Ad-hoc</i> Committee on investigation of the operational activities of Telecommunications Equipment and Services Companies in Nigeria	Wednesday, 12 July, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 447 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
6.	<i>Ad-hoc</i> Committee on the investigation of Revenue Leakages and Activities of the Department of Petroleum Resources	Wednesday, 12 July, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 144 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
7.	Public Service Matters	Wednesday, 12 July, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 244 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
8.	Information, National Orientation, Ethics and Values	Wednesday, 12 July, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 357 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
9.	Local Content	Wednesday, 12 July, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 244 New Building (House) Assembly Complex

