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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday, 31 May, 2016

1. The House met at 11.11 a.m. Mr Speaker read the Prayers.

2. **Votes and Proceedings**
Mr Speaker announced that he had examined and approved the *Votes and Proceedings* of Thursday, 26 May, 2016.

By unanimous consent, the Votes and Proceedings was adopted.

3. **Message**
Mr Speaker read a message from the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria as follows:

PRESIDENT,
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

27 May, 2016

Rt. Hon. Yakubu Dogara,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
National Assembly Complex,
Three Arms Zone,
Abuja.

Dear Rt. Hon. Y. Dogara,

PRESENTATION OF THE 2016 BUDGET PROPOSAL OF THE NIGER DELTA DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (NDDC)

Pursuant to section 18 (1) *of the Niger Delta Development Commission (Establishment, etc.) Act. I wish to submit the* 2016 *estimate of the expenditure and income of the Commission for the kind consideration and approval of the National Assembly.*

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While hoping that the Budget Proposal will receive the usual expeditious consideration and passage by the Honourable House of Representatives, please accept Mr Speaker, the assurances of my highest regards.

Yours Sincerely,

(*Signed*)

Muhammadu Buhari

4. Announcement

***Visitors in the Gallery*:**

Mr Speaker recognized the presence of Staff and Students of Bishop James Yisa Memorial School Ltd, Kwamba, Suleja, Niger State.

5. Matters of Urgent Public Importance (Standing Order VIII, Rule 46)

(*i*) *Need to Call on the Inspector-General of Police (IGP) and Director-General, State Security (DGSS) to Unravel the Mysterious Death of Two Students of Federal Government College, Okposi, Ebonyi State*:

Hon. Linus Okorie (*Ivo/Ohaozara/Onicha Federal Constituency*) introduced the matter and prayed the House to:

(*a*) consider and approve the matter as one of urgent public importance; and

(*b*) suspend Order VIII, Rule 46 (3) and 49 to allow debate on the matter forthwith.

Question that the matter be considered as one of urgent public importance — Agreed to.

Question that the House do suspend Order VIII, Rules 46 (3) *and* 49 *to enable it debate the matter forthwith — Agreed to.*

Need to Call on the Inspector-General of Police (IGP) and Director-General, State Security (DGSS) to Unravel the Mysterious Death of Two Students of Federal Government College, Okposi, Ebonyi State:

The House:

Painfully notes the report of the mysterious death of ENE UGOCHUKWU and UGWU CHUKWUEMEKA, both male, from Udi LGA of ENUGU State and JSS3 students of Federal Government College, Okposi, Ebonyi State;

Also notes that the boys were reported missing on May 14, 2016 after their JSS3 final examinations and were not seen until their decomposing bodies were extracted from the ATA river, Okposi on May 22, 2016 by a team of Police Officers led by the State Commissioner of Police;

Worried that neither the cause\circumstance of their death nor the culprits of the dastardly act has been ascertained;

Acknowledges the report of support and cooperation, with security agencies, by the people and leaders of the college host community, Okposi, in the search for the boys and ongoing investigation into their death;

Concerned that children are the leaders of tomorrow and the future of the country;

Disturbed that unresolved, these deaths, would leave a permanent scar and fear in the psyche of the school, its students and host community;

Resolves to:

(*i*) Observe a minute silence in honour of the dead students;

(*ii*) condole with the families of the late students;

(*iii*) commend the supportive role of the people and leaders of Okposi community to the police and urge them to continue in the same regard until the case is unraveled; and

(*iv*) urge both the Inspector General of Police (IGP) and the Director General, State Security (DGSS) to quickly unravel the cause of death of the students and bring all culprits swiftly to book (*Hon. Linus Okorie — Ivo/Ohaozara/Onicha Federal Constituency*).

Debate.

Question agreed to.

The House:

Painfully noted the report of the mysterious death of ENE UGOCHUKWU and UGWU CHUKWUEMEKA, both male, from Udi LGA of ENUGU State and JSS3 students of Federal Government College, Okposi, Ebonyi State;

Also noted that the boys were reported missing on May 14, 2016 after their JSS3 final examinations and were not seen until their decomposing bodies were extracted from the ATA river, Okposi on May 22, 2016 by a team of Police Officers led by the State Commissioner of Police;

Worried that neither the cause\circumstance of their death nor the culprits of the dastardly act has been ascertained;

Acknowledged the report of support and cooperation, with security agencies, by the people and leaders of the college host community, Okposi, in the search for the boys and ongoing investigation into their death;

Concerned that children are the leaders of tomorrow and the future of the country;

Disturbed that unresolved, these deaths, would leave a permanent scar and fear in the psyche of the school, its students and host community;

Resolved to:

(*i*) Observe a minute silence in honour of the dead students;

(*ii*) condole with the families of the late students;

(*iii*) commend the supportive role of the people and leaders of Okposi community to the police and urge them to continue in the same regard until the case is unraveled; and

(*iv*) urge both the Inspector General of Police (IGP) and the Director General, State Security (DGSS) to quickly unravel the cause of death of the students and bring all culprits swiftly to book (**HR. 182/2016**).

A minute silence was observed in honour of the deceased.

(*ii*) ***Dispute over Ownership of* 84 *Farmlands Legally Owned by Nigerian Citizens of Jobi Village, Maigatari Local Government Area in Jigawa State with Kyalli Citizens of Niger Republic*:**
Hon. Mohammed Sani Zorro (*Gumel/Maigatari/S/Tankar/Gagarawa Federal Constituency*) introduced the matter and prayed the House to:

(*a*) consider and approve the matter as one of urgent public importance; and

(*b*) suspend Order VIII, Rule 46 (3) and 49 to allow debate on the matter forthwith.

Question that the matter be considered as one of urgent public importance — Agreed to.

Question that the House do suspend Order VIII, Rules 46 (3) *and* 49 *to enable it debate the matter forthwith — Agreed to.*

Dispute over Ownership of 84 Farm lands Legally Owned by Nigerian Citizens of Jobi Village, Maigatari Local Government Area in Jigawa State with Kyalli Citizens of Niger Republic:

The House:

Notes that the people of Jobi village in Maigatari Local Government Area of Jigawa State Nigeria, share common boundary with the Kyalli village, in Niger Republic;

Also notes that over 84 farmlands belonging to the indigenes of Jobi village, in Maigatari Local Area of Jigawa State were forcefully and illegally seized and invaded by the neighbouring community of Kyalli village in Niger Republic under the leadership of their Emir of Dingas, in Damagaram Province of Niger Republic, Alhaji Ahmadu Zakari;

Aware of the Economic Community of West African States Charter which allows freedom of movement and ownership of property within the sub-region;

Worried that the two neighbouring communities are currently stocking local weapons in preparation of war and conflict over the ownership of the 84 farmlands within the area;

Conscious of the need to strengthen diplomatic ties between the two countries —Nigeria and Niger Republic to restore peace and tranquility between the two communities;

Resolves to:

(*i*) Constitute an Inter-Committee mission to visit the disputed area, interact with affected Nigerian villagers, and report back to the House with 10 days;

(*ii*) urge the National Boundaries Commission to avail the House and other parties, with certified copies of its findings, following their visit to the disputed border, last year;

(*iii*) also urge the Border Communities Development Agency, to visit the area, and begin the process of extending badly needed amenities to the Nigerian community of Jobi, to lessen their dependence on social amenities provided by Niger Republic;

(*iv*) further urge the Attorney-General of the Federation and Minister of Justice of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, to initiate, or reinforce whatever legal action that may be in contemplation before the ECOWAS Court of Justice on this matter;

(*v*) still urge the Honourable Minister of Foreign Affairs, to summon the Ambassador of the Republic of Niger, to Nigeria, to protest this infringement on the rights of Nigerians to continue with their legitimate farming activities on these 84 farmlands, without further molestation from either municipal or traditional authorities of Niger Republic, until the determination of the case, referred to in above paragraphy, or the amicable resolution of the dispute; and

(*vi*) mandate Members of the House of Representatives in the ECOWAS Parliament to table, and pursue vigorously, this matter, affecting the rights of Nigerians, as specified in chapter II of the Nigerian Constitution 1999 (as amended), as well as other instruments of the regional integration body (*Hon. Mohammed Sani Zorro — Gumel/Maigatari/S/Tankar/Gagarawa Federal Constituency*).

Debate.

Question agreed to.

The House:

Noted that the people of Jobi village in Maigatari Local Government Area of Jigawa State Nigeria, share common boundary with the Kyalli village, in Niger Republic;

Also noted that over 84 farmlands belonging to the indigenes of Jobi village, in Maigatari Local Area of Jigawa State were forcefully and illegally seized and invaded by the neighbouring community of Kyalli village in Niger Republic under the leadership of their Emir of Dingas, in Damagaram Province of Niger Republic, Alhaji Ahmadu Zakari;

Aware of the Economic Community of West African States Charter which allows freedom of movement and ownership of property within the sub-region;

Worried that the two neighbouring communities are currently stocking local weapons in preparation of war and conflict over the ownership of the 84 farmlands within the area;

Conscious of the need to strengthen diplomatic ties between the two countries —Nigeria and Niger Republic to restore peace and tranquility between the two communities;

Resolved to:

(*i*) Constitute an Inter-Committee mission to visit the disputed area, interact with affected Nigerian villagers, and report back to the House with 10 days;

(*ii*) urge the National Boundaries Commission to avail the House and other parties, with certified copies of its findings, following their visit to the disputed border, last year;

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(*vi*) mandate Members of the House of Representatives in the ECOWAS Parliament, to table, and pursue vigorously, this matter, affecting the rights of Nigerians, as specified in chapter II of the Nigerian Constitution 1999 (as amended), as well as other instruments of the regional integration body (**HR. 183/2016**).

7. **A Bill for an Act to Amend the National Judicial Institute Act, Cap. N55, 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***

Motion made and Question proposed, "That a Bill for an Act to Amend the National Judicial Institute Act, Cap. N55, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria; 2004 to specify the tenure of office of the Administrator; and for Other Matters Related Thereto (HB. 302) be now read the Third Time" (*Hon. Femi Gbajabiamila — House Leader*).

Question agreed to.

Bill read the Third Time by the Clerk, and passed.

8. **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***

Motion made and Question proposed, "That 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) be now read the Third Time" (*Hon. Femi Gbajabiamila — House Leader*).

Question agreed to.

Bill read the Third Time by the Clerk, and passed.

9. **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***

Motion made and Question proposed, "That 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) be now read the Third Time" (*Hon. Femi Gbajabiamila — House Leader*).

Question agreed to.

Bill read the Third Time by the Clerk, and passed.

10. **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***

Motion made and Question proposed, "That 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) be now read the Third Time" (*Hon. Femi Gbajabiamila — House Leader*).

Question agreed to.

Bill read the Third Time by the Clerk, and passed.

11. **A Bill for an Act to amend the Agricultural and Rural Management Training Institute Act, Cap. A10, 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***

Motion made and Question proposed, "That 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) be now read the Third Time" (*Hon. Femi Gbajabiamila — House Leader*).

Question agreed to.

Bill read the Third Time by the Clerk, and passed.

12. **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***

Motion made and Question proposed, "That 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) be now read the Third Time" (*Hon. Femi Gbajabiamila — House Leader*).

Question agreed to.

Bill read the Third Time by the Clerk, and passed.

13. **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***

Motion made and Question proposed, "That 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) be now read the Third Time" (*Hon. Femi Gbajabiamila — House Leader*).

Question agreed to.

Bill read the Third Time by the Clerk, and passed.

14. **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***
Motion made and Question proposed, "That 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) be now read the Third Time" (*Hon. Femi Gbajabiamila — House Leader*).

Question agreed to.

Bill read the Third Time by the Clerk, and passed.

15. **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***
Motion made and Question proposed, "That 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) be now read the Third Time" (*Hon. Femi Gbajabiamila — House Leader*).

Question agreed to.

Bill read the Third Time by the Clerk, and passed.

16. **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***
Motion made and Question proposed, "That 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) be now read the Third Time" (*Hon. Femi Gbajabiamila — House Leader*).

Question agreed to.

Bill read the Third Time by the Clerk, and passed.

17. **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***
Motion made and Question proposed, "That 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) be now read the Third Time" (*Hon. Femi Gbajabiamila — House Leader*).

Question agreed to.

Bill read the Third Time by the Clerk, and passed.

18. **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***
Motion made and Question proposed, "That 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) be now read the Third Time" (*Hon. Femi Gbajabiamila — House Leader*).

Question agreed to.

Bill read the Third Time by the Clerk, and passed.

19. **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***
Motion made and Question proposed, "That 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) be now read the Third Time" (*Hon. Femi Gbajabiamila — House Leader*).

Question agreed to.

Bill read the Third Time by the Clerk, and passed.

20. **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) — *Second Reading***
Motion made and Question proposed, "That 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) be now read a Second Time" (*Hon. Femi Gbajabiamila — Surulere I Federal Constituency*).

Debate.

Question that the Bill be read a Second Time — Agreed to.

Bill read the Second Time by the Clerk.

Bill referred to the Committee on Tertiary Education Services, and Banking and Currency.

21. **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) — *Second Reading***

Order read; deferred by leave of the House.

22. **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) — *Second Reading***

Order read; deferred by leave of the House.

23. **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) — *Second Reading***

Order read; deferred by leave of the House.

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;

Resolved 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 (**HR. 184/2016**).

Motion referred to the Committee on Ports, Harbours and Waterways.

27. **Urgent Need to Check the Spate of Bombings by Controlling Access to Explosives:**
Motion made and Question proposed:

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 (*Hon. Rimamnde Shawalu Kwewum — Donga/Ussa/Takum Federal Constituency*).

Debate.

Amendment Proposed:
Leave out Prayer (*iii*), and *insert* a new Prayer (*iii*) as follows:
"also urge the security agencies and relevant Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs) to, as a matter of urgency, review their records and recheck records of companies and persons handling explosives, and materials used in making explosives like fertilizer plants" (*Hon. Nnenna Elendu Ukeje — Bende Federal Constituency*).

Question that the amendment be made — Agreed to.

Question on the Motion as amended — Agreed to.

The House:

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

Also noted 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 noted 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;

Resolved 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 records of companies and persons handling explosives, and materials used in making explosives like fertilizer plants. **(HR. 185/2016)**.

Motion referred to the Committees on National Security and Intelligence, and Solid Minerals Development.

28. Consideration of Reports

(*i*) ***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*) (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*):**

Question agreed to.

Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to consider the Report — Agreed to.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE)

(*Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair*)

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)

Clause 1: **Amendment of Cap. C15. LFN, 2004.**
1.The Code of Conduct Bureau and Tribunal Act Cap. C15 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004(in this Bill referred to as the "Principal Act) is amended as follows (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 1 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 2: **Amendment of Section 1 (2) (*b*).**
The Principal Act is hereby amended in Section 19 (2) (*b*) by substituting "Fifty years" with "Thirty years" (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 2 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 3: **Amendment of Section 1 (4).**
The Principal Act is hereby amended in Section 1 (4) by deleting the entire subsection 4 and inserting with "the Chairman and members shall serve for a term of five years subject to renewal for one further term only" (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 3 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 4: **Amendment of Section 3.**
4. Section 3 is amended by adding paragraph "e" as follows:

"(*e*) upon complaints(s) of any breach or where it appears to the Bureau that there is a breach of the provisions or this Act, the person concerned shall be given particulars of such noncompliance or breaches to explain before any reference to the Tribunal" (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 4 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 5: **Amendment of Section 4 (2).**
The Principal Act is hereby amended in Section 4(2) by substituting the word "President" with the words "The National Assembly" (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 5 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 6: **Amendment of Section 10 (1).**
Section 10 (1) of the Principal Act is amended by inserting immediately after the words"shall not" in line 1 the words"either by himself or through another person" (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 6 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 7: **Amendment of Section 10 (3).**
Section 10 of the Principal Act is amended by deleting subsection(3) and inserting a new subsection (3) —

"(3) A public officer shall not accept personal gifts or benefits from any person whom he knows or reasonably believes shall transact business with him in the course of his duty to such extent and such occasions as are recognised by custom" (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 7 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 8: **Amendment of Section 15 (1).**
Section 15 is amended by inserting a new paragraph "a" thus:

(*a*) before taking oath of office or assuming office" and renumber the other paragraphs accordingly (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 8 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 9: **Amendment of Section 18.**
The side note of Section 18 is amended by adding the words "additional Powers and Returns."
Section 18 (1) and (2) are amended by substituting "President" with the "National Assembly" and substitute in sub section 1 "him" with "it".

Section 18 is further amended by adding new subsection (3) thus:

"(3) Failure to comply with sub section 2above shall constitute misconduct" (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 9 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 10: Amendment of Section 23.
Section 23 (2) (*a*) is amended by substituting "nominated" with "appointive" (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 10 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 11: Amendment of Section 24 (2).
Section 24 (2) is amended by inserting after "Federal Ministry of Justice" the words "such Private Legal Practitioner" (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 11 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 12: Amendment of section 24 (3).
Section 24 (3) is further amended by expunging the whole proviso to subsection (3) that is all the words beginning with "provided and ending with person" (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 12 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 13: Insertion of subsection (5).
Section 24 is further amended by adding a new subsection 5 thus:

"(5) The provisions of the Evidence Act, 2011 as amended shall be applicable and in particular where crime is in issue, the burden and standard of proof in Section 135 of the Evidence Act, 2011 as amended shall apply" (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 13 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 14: Citation.
This Bill may be cited as the Code of Conduct Bureau and Tribunal Act (Amendment) Bill, 2016 (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 14 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Long Title:
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 (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that the Long Title stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.

Chairman to report Bill.

(HOUSE IN PLENARY)

Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair reported that the House in Committee of the Whole considered the Report on 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) and approved Clauses 1 - 14, and the Long Title of the Bill.

Question that the House do adopt the Report of the Committee of the Whole — Agreed to.

(*ii*) ***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*) (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*):**

Question agreed to.

Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to consider the Report — Agreed to.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE)

(*Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair*)

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)

PART I - ANIMAL HEALTH AND HUSBANDRY TECHNOLOGISTS REGISTRATION BOARD OF NIGERIA

Clause 1: **Establishment of the Animal Health and Husbandry Technologist Registration Board of Nigeria.**

There is hereby established for Animal Health and Husbandry Technologists a body to be known as the Animal Health and Husbandry technologists Registration Board of Nigeria (hereinafter in the Act referred to as "the Board") which shall be charged with the duty of —

(*a*) determining what standards of knowledge and skill are to be attained by persons seeking to become members of the profession and to improve those standards from time to time as Circumstances may permit;

(*b*) securing in accordance with the provisions of this Bill, the establishment and maintenance of a register of persons registered under this Bill as members of the profession and the publication from time of lists of those persons.

(*c*) conducting examinations in the profession and awarding certificates or diploma to successful candidates as appropriate; and for such purpose, the Board shall prescribe fees to be paid in respect thereof and

(*d*) performing any other functions conferred on the Board by this Bill (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 1 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 2: **Membership of the Board.**

(1) The Board shall comprise —

(*a*) a Chairman who shall be an Animal Health and Husbandry technologist and has been so qualified for not less than twelve years;

(*b*) two Animal Health and Husbandry Technologists to represent the Nigeria association of Animal Health and Husbandry Technologists;

(*c*) six Technologists to represent the States on rotation for three years at a time;

(*d*) one representative from the Federal Ministry of Agriculture who shall be an animal health technologist;

(*e*) two Technologists to represent schools involved in training members of the profession on rotation for three years at a time.

(2) All appointments in this section shall be made by the Minister on the recommendation of the appropriate bodies, if any.

(3) The provisions of schedule I to this Bill shall have effect with respect to the matters therein mentioned (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 2 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 3: **Power of the Board.**

(1) Subject to subsection (2) of this section and to any direction of the Minister under this Bill, the Board shall have powers to do anything which in its opinion is calculated to facilitate the carrying out of its activities under this Bill.

(2) The Board shall not have power to borrow or to dispose of any property except with the prior consent of the Minister and shall not have power to pay remuneration (including pensions), allowances or expenses to any employees of the Board or any other person except in accordance with the scales that obtain in the Federal Public Service (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 3 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 4: **Fund of the Board.**

(1) The fund of the Board shall consist of —

(*a*) all fees and other monies payable to the Board in pursuance of this Bill; and

(*b*) such moneys as may be payable to the Board, whether in the course of the discharge of its functions or otherwise.

(2) There shall be paid out of the fund of the Board —

(*a*) the remuneration and allowances of the Registrar and other employees of the Board:

(*b*) such reasonable traveling and subsistence allowances of "members of the Board in respect of the time spent on the business of the Board as the Board may, with the approval of the Minister, determine: and

(*c*) any other expenses incurred by the Board in the discharge of its functions under this Bill (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 4 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 5: Financial provision.

(1) The Board shall prepare and submit to the Minister not later than the 30th day of June of the year in which this Bill comes into force (so however that the Minister may, if he considers it necessary, extend the period) and of each subsequent year, an estimate of its incomes and expenditure during the next succeeding financial year.

(2) The Board shall keep proper accounts in respect of each financial year and prepare records in relation to those accounts and shall cause its accounts to be audited within 6 months after the end of each financial year to which the accounts relate (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 5 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 6: Control of the Board by the Minister.

The Minister may give to the Board directions of a general character or relating generally to particular matters (but not to any individual person or case) with regard to the exercise by the Board of its function and it shall be the duty of the Board to comply with the directions (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 6 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 7: Registrar and staff of the Board.

(1) There shall, on the recommendation of the Board be appointed as a Registrar of the Board a fit person who shall be an Animal Health and husbandry Technologist in the employment of the public service of the Federation and who has been qualified as an Animal Health and Husbandry Technologist practitioner for not less than twelve years.

(2) The Registrar shall, in addition to his other functions under this Bill be the Secretary to the Board and shall on the instruction of the Chairman of the Board or any Committee of the Board convene and keep minutes of the proceeding at all meeting of the Board and committees therefore, as the case may be.

(3) The Board may appoint such other persons to be employees of the Board as the Board may determine, to assist the Registrar in the excise of his functions under this Bill.

(4) The Board may. whenever the Registrar is absent or for another reason is unable to discharge the function of his office appoint an Acting Registrar to discharge his functions.

(5) The Registrar and other staff of the Board shall hold office on such conditions as the Board may with the approval of the Minister determine (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 7 stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.

PART II — REGISTRATION

Clause 8: Registration of Animal Health and Husbandry Technologist.

(1) It shall be the duty of the Registrar to prepare and maintain, in accordance with Rules made by the Board under this section, a register of the names, addresses, approved Qualifications and of such other particulars as may be specified of all persons who are entitled in accordance with the provisions of the act to be registered as Animal Health and Husbandry Technologists and who apply in the specified manner to be so registered.

(2) Subject to the following provision of this section, the Board shall make rules with respect to the form and keeping of the registers and the making of entries therein, and in particular —

(*a*) regulating the making of application for registration and providing for the evidence to be produced in support of application;

(*b*) providing for the notification to the Registrar by the person to whom any registered particulars relate, of any charge in those particulars;

(*c*) authorizing a registered person to have any qualification which is, in relation to the profession, whether an approved qualification or accepted qualification for the purposes of section 10 (2) of this Bill, registered in relation to his name in addition to or, as he may elect, in substitution for any other qualification so registered;

(*d*) specifying the fees to be paid the Board in respect of the entry names on the register and authorizing the registrar to refuse to enter a name on the register until any fees specified for entry has been paid, but rules made for the purposes of paragraph (d) of this subsection shall not come into force until they are confirmed at a meeting of the board.

(3) It shall be the duty of the Registrar —

(*a*) to correct in accordance with the directions of the Board, any entry in the register which the Board directs him to correct as being in the opinion of the Board an entry which was incorrectly made;

(*b*) to make from time to time any necessary alterations to the registered particulars of registered persons;

(*c*) to remove from his register the name of any registered person who has died or has become insane, or for any other reason ceased to be a member of the profession.

(4) If the Registrar —

(*a*) sends by post to any registered person a registered letter addressed to him at his address in the register enquiring whether the registered particulars relating to him are correct and receives no reply to that letter within three month from the date of posting it; and

(*b*) upon the expiration of that period sends in like manner to the person in question a second letter and receives no reply to that letter within three months tram the date of posting it. the Registrar may remove the particulars relating to the person from the register, but the board may direct the Registrar to restore to the register am particulars removed there from under this subsection (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 8 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 9: Publication of the Registrar and list of Corrections.

(1) It shall be the duty of the Registrar —

(*a*) to cause the register to be printed, published and put on sale to members of the public not later (two years form the beginning of the year in which this Bill comes into force;

(*b*) in each year after that in which a register is first published under paragraph (*a*) of this subsection, to cause to be printed. published and put on sale as aforesaid either a corrected edition of the register or a list of alterations made to each register since it was last printed; and

(*c*) to cause a print of each edition of the register and of each list of corrections to be deposited at the principal office or the board, and it shall be the duty of the board to keep each register and lists so deposited open at all reasonable time for inspection by members of the public.

(2) A document purporting to be a print of an edition of a register published under this section by authority of the Registrar in the current year or documents purporting to be prints of an edition of a register so published in the current year, shall (without prejudice to any other mode of proof) be admissible in any proceedings as evidence that any person specified in the document, or the documents read together, as being registered was so registered and that any person not so specified is not so registered (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 9 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 10: Registration as Animal Health and Husbandry Practitioners.

(1) Subject to section 21 of this Bill and the rules made under section 8 (2) of this Bill, a person shall be entitled to be registered under this Bill and being so registered to receive a registration certificate if —

(*a*) he has attended a course of training approved by the Board under section 12 of this Bill;

(*b*) the Course was conducted at an Institution so approved or partly at one such Institution and partly at another;

(*c*) he holds one or more qualification prescribed in schedule 3 to this Bill for the purpose of registration on the register and has complied with the other requirements prescribed under section 8 (2) of this Bill: and

(*d*) he pays any prescribed fees.

(2) Subject to section 2 of this Bill and to rules made under section 8 (2) of this Bill, a person shall also be entitled to be registered under this Bill and being so Registered to receive a registration certificate if he satisfies the board —

(*a*) that he holds a qualification granted outside Nigeria for the time being accepted by the Board for the purposes of this subsection in respect to the profession.

(*b*) that in the country in which the qualification was granted he was under no legal disability in the practice of the profession:

(*c*) that he is of good character;

(*d*) that he has paid any prescribed fees; and

(*e*) the Board shall from time to time publish in the Gazette particulars of the qualifications for the time being accepted as aforesaid

(4) The qualifications specified in schedule 3 to this Bill are those accepted for the time being by the Board as the minimum qualification for the purpose of registration on the register maintained under section 8 (1) of this Bill (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 10 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 11: Temporary Registration.

(1) Subject to section 10 of this Bill, a person shall be entitled to be temporarily registered under the Act in cases specified in subsection (2) of this section.

(2) Where a person satisfies the Board —

(*a*) that he has been selected for employment for a specified period in a capacity in which a registered person under this Bill would normally be employed and that he is or intends to be in Nigeria temporarily for the purpose of serving for that period in the employment in question;

(*b*) that he holds or has passed examinations necessary for obtaining same qualification granted outside Nigeria which is for the time being accepted by the Board for the purpose of this section as respects the capacity in which, if employed, he is to serve; and

(*c*) he pays any fees prescribed for registration, the Board may, if it thinks fit, give a direction that he shall be temporarily registered.

(3) The temporary registration of a person shall continue only while he is in such employment as is mentioned in sub-section (2) (*a*) of this section and shall cease —

(*a*) on the termination of the period of the employment specified to the board under that sub section: or

(*b*) on (he termination of the said employment before the end of that period, whichever first occurs.

(4) Nothing in subsection (3) of this section shall preclude the Board from giving a further direction under subsection (2) of this section in respect of a specified period, the commencement of which coincides with the termination of another such period.

(5) A person who is temporarily registered shall, in relation to the employment mentioned under subsection (2) (*a*) of this section, and to things done or omitted to be done in the course of that employment, be deemed to be fully registered but in respect of other matters he shall be treated as not so registered.

(6) In case of doubt as to whether a person's employment has been terminated, the decision of the Board shall be conclusive for the purpose of subsection (3) of this section.

(7) The registrar, as directed from time to time by the board, shall remove from the register the name of any person ceasing to be entitled to benefit from this section (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 11 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

PART III — TRAINING

Clause 12: Approval of the courses.

(1) Subject to subsection (2) of this section, the Board may approve and for the purposes of section 10 of this Bill —

(*a*) a course of training which is intended for persons seeking to become members of the profession under this Bill and which the Board considers is designed to confer on persons completing it sufficient knowledge and skill for the practice of the profession;

(*b*) any institution either in Nigeria or elsewhere, which the Board considers is properly organized and equipped for conducting the whole or any part of the course of training approved by the Board under this section:

(*c*) any qualification which as a result of the examination takes in conjunction with the course of training approved by the Board under this section, is granted to candidates reaching a standard at the examination indicating, in the opinion of the Board, that they have sufficient knowledge and skill to practice the profession to which the qualification relates.

(2) The Board shall from time to time publish in the Gazette a list of qualifications relating to the profession approved by it for the purposes of subsection (1) of this section.

(3) The Board may, if it thinks so, withdraw any approval given under this section in respect of any course, qualification or institution, but before withdrawing such an approval the Board shall —

(*a*) give notice that it proposes to do so to persons in Nigeria appearing to the Board to be persons by whom the course is conducted or the qualification is granted or the institution is controlled, as the case may be.

(*b*) afford each such person an opportunity of making to the Board representation with regard to the proposal; and

(*c*) take into consideration any representation made with regard to the proposal made in pursuance of paragraph (*b*) of this subsection.

(4) As respects any period during which, the approval given under this section for his course institution or qualification is withdrawn, the courses or qualification shall not be treated as approved under this section, but the withdrawal of such an approval shall not prejudice the registration or eligibility for registration of any person who by virtue of the approval was registered or eligible for registration immediately before the approval was withdrawn.

(5) The giving or withdrawal of an approval under this section shall have effect from such date, after the execution of the instrument signifying the giving or withdrawal of the approval, as the Board may specify in that instrument.

(6) The Board shall as soon as may be, publish a copy of every instrument executed under subsection (5) of this section in the Gazette and send a copy of the instrument to the Minister (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 12 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 13: Supervision of Instructions and Examinations Leading to Approved Qualifications.

(1) It shall be the duty of the Board to keep itself informed of the nature of —

(*a*) the instruction given at approved institutions to persons attending approved courses of training: and

(*b*) the examinations as a result of which approved qualifications are granted; and

(*c*) for the purpose or performing that duty, the Board may appoint, either from among its own members or otherwise, person to visit approved institutions or attend such examinations.

(2) It shall be the duty of a visitor appointed under this section to report to the board on —

(*a*) the sufficiency of the instructions given to persons attending approved courses of training at institutions visited by him;

(*b*) the sufficiency of examinations attended by him; and

(*c*) any other matter relating to the institutions or examinations on which the Board may, either generally or in a particular case request him to report but no visitor shall interfere with the giving of any instructions or the holding of any examination.

(3) On receiving a report made in pursuance of this section, the Board shall as soon as may be send a copy of the report to the person appearing to the Board to be in charge of the institution or responsible for the examinations to which the report relates requesting that person to make representations to the board within such times as may be specified in the request, but not being more than one month beginning with the date of the request (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 13 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 14: Power of the Board to consider Matters relating to training.

(1) The board may consider and if it thinks fit. report to the Minister upon all matters relating to the professional and technical training and other qualifications required for admission to the profession under this Bill and the conditions or practice after registration.

(2) The Minister may require the Board to advise him on any matter referred to in subsection (1) of this section (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 14 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

PART IV — DISCIPLINE

Clause 15: Establishment and composition of Disciplinary Committee and Investigating Panel.

(1) There is hereby established a disciplinary committee to be known as the Animal Health and Husbandry Technologists Disciplinary Committee (hereinafter in this Bill referred to as "the Disciplinary Committee") which shall be charged with the duty of considering and determining any case referred to it by the panel established by the following provisions of this Bill.

(2) The Disciplinary Committee shall consist of the Chairman of the Board and six other members of the Board including members holding office by virtue of paragraphs (c), (d) and (e) of subsection (1) of section 2 of this Bill.

(3) There is hereby established a body to be known as the investigating Panel (hereinafter in the Act referred to as the "panel") which shall be charged with the duty of —

(*a*) conducting preliminary investigation into any case where it is alleged that a registered person has misbehaved in his capacity as such, or should for any other reason be arraigned before the Disciplinary Committee; and

(*b*) deciding whether or not the case should be referred to the Disciplinary Committee.

(4) The Panel shall be appointed by the Board and shall consist of three members of the Board, one of whom shall he named as the Chairman of the panel and two members who are not members of board.

(5) The provisions of Schedule 2 to this Bill shall so far as applicable to the Disciplinary Committee and the Panel respectively, have effect with respect to those before (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 15 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

PART V — MISCELLANEOUS

Clause 16: Penalties for Unprofessional Conduct.

(1) Where —

(*a*) a person registered under this Bill is convicted by a Court or Tribunal in Nigeria or elsewhere having power to award punishment for an offence (whether or not the offence is punishable with imprisonment) which in the opinion of the Disciplinary Committee is incompatible with the statute of such registered person: or

(*b*) a registered person is judged by the Disciplinary Committee to be quality of infamous conduct in a professional respect: or

(*c*) the Disciplinary Committee is satisfied that the name of any person has been fraudulently registered, the Disciplinary Committee may give any of the directions specified in subsection (2) of the section.

(2) The Disciplinary Committee in pursuance of subsection (1) of this section may give a direction —

(*a*) ordering the Registrar to strike off the person's name from the register;

(*b*) suspending that person from practice for such period as may be specified in the direction.

(*c*) reprimanding that person;

(*d*) ordering the person to pay to the Board any cost of or incidental to the proceeding incurred by the Board; or

(*e*) cautioning that person and binding him over for a period not exceeding one year on one or more conditions as to his conduct during that period and any such directions may where appropriate, include provisions requiring the refund of moneys paid or the handing over of documents or any other provisions as the case may require

(3) In any inquiry under this section, any finding of fact which is shown to have been made in —

(*a*) any criminal proceeding in a court in Nigeria; or

(*b*) any civil proceedings in a court in Nigeria shall be conclusive evidence of the fact found.

(4) If after due inquiry the disciplinary committee is satisfied that during the period of binding over under paragraph (*e*) of subsection (2) of this section a person has not complied with the condition imposed there under the disciplinary committee may, if it thinks fit, impose anyone or more of the penalties mentioned in subparagraph (*a*), (*b*), (*c*) or (*d*) of that subsection.

(5) A certificate under the hand of the Chairman that any costs have been ordered to be paid by a person under this section shall be conclusive of that thereof (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 16 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 17: Offences.

(1) Unless otherwise exempted under this Bill, any person not being a fully registered Animal Health and Husbandry Technologist or. being a fully registered Animal Health and Husbandry technologist and allowing his license to expire so that payment of the Prescribed fee is in arrears for more than one year, who —

(*a*) for or on expectation of reward practices or holds himself out as an Animal Health and Husbandry Technologists; or

(*b*) takes or uses any letters alter his name to indicate qualification as an Animal Health and, and Husbandry, technologist; or

(*c*) without reasonable excuse takes or uses any name, title, addition or description implying that he is authorized by law to practice as an Animal Health and husbandry Technologist, shall be guilty of an offence.

(2) If any person, for the purpose of procuring the registration of any name, qualification or other matter —

(*a*) makes a statement which he believes to be false in a material particular, or;

(*b*) recklessly makes a statement which is false in a material particular, he shall be guilty of an offence.

(3) If the registrar or any person employed by the Board willfully makes any falsification in any matter relating to the registration he shall be guilty of an offence.

(4) A person guilty of an offence under this section shall be liable —

(*a*) on summary conviction, to a fine not exceeding twenty-five thousand Naira;

(*b*) on conviction or indictment, to a fine or imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years or to both.

(5) Where an offence under this section which has been committed by a body corporate is proved to have been committed with the consent or connivance of, or to be attributable to any neglect on the part of any Director, Manager, Secretary or other similar officer of is. the body corporate, or any person purporting to act in any such capacity, he as well as the body corporate, shall be deemed to be guilty of that offence and shall be liable to be prosecuted against and punished accordingly (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 17 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 18: Restoration of Registration.

(1) Where the name of a person has been struck out from the register in pursuance of a direction given under section 16 of this Bill, the Disciplinary Committee may, if it thinks fit, any time direct the restoration of the person's name to the register.

(2) Any application for the restoration of a name to a register shall not be made to the Disciplinary committee before the expiration of such period from the date of the striking off and where he has made an application, from the date of his last application) as may be specified in the direction.

(3) There shall be payable to the Board by any person on the restoration of his name to a register in pursuance of a direction given under this section the like fees as would be payable by that person on first becoming registered prior to the disciplinary action (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 18 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 19: Striking of entries from the Register on grounds of fraud or error.

(1) If it proved to the satisfaction of the Disciplinary Committee that any entry made in a register has been fraudulently or incorrectly made, the Disciplinary committee may direct that the entry shall be struck off from the register.

(2) A person may be registered in pursuance of any provision of this Bill notwithstanding that his name has been struck oil in pursuance of a direction given under subsection (1) of this section if his name was struck off on the ground of fraud he shall not be registered except an application in that behalf is made to the Disciplinary Committee; and on any such application the Disciplinary Committee may, if it thinks tit Direct that he shall not be registered until the expiration of such periods as may be specified in the direction.

(3) Any reference in this Bill to the striking off from or the restoration to a register of the name of a person shall be constructed as including a reference to the striking off from or the restoration to the register of any other registerable particulars relating to that person (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 19 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

PART VI — SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISION

Clause 20: **Regulations, Rules and Orders.**
Any power to make regulations, rules or order conferred by this Bill shall include power —

(*a*) to make provision for such incidental and supplementary matters as the authority making the instrument considers expedient for the purpose of the instrument;

(*b*) to prescribe membership fees in such amount as the Minister may from time to time , approve; and

(*c*) to make different provision for differed circumstance (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 20 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 21: **Interpretations.**
In this Bill unless otherwise requires —

"accepted qualification" means a degree, diploma or other certificate specified in schedule 3 of this Bill (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that the meaning of the words "accepted qualification" be as defined in the interpretation to this Bill — Agreed to.

"an Animal Health Technologist" means a person registered and licensed by this Bill to practice animal health care delivery and welfare in Nigeria (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that the meaning of the words "an Animal Health Technologist" be as defined in the interpretation to this Bill — Agreed to.

"Board" means the Animal Health and Husbandry Technologists Registration Board of Nigeria established under section 1 of this Bill (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that the meaning of the word "Board" be as defined in the interpretation to this Bill — Agreed to.

"member" means member of the Board and include the Chairman (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that the meaning of the word "member" be as defined in the interpretation to this Bill — Agreed to.

"Ministers" means the minister charged with responsibly for matters relating Agriculture (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that the meaning of the word "Minister" be as defined in the interpretation to this Bill — Agreed to.

"profession" means the Animal Health and Husbandry Technology (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that the meaning of the word "profession" be as defined in the interpretation to this Bill — Agreed to.

"register" means a register maintained under section 8 of this Bill (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that the meaning of the word "register" be as defined in the interpretation to this Bill — Agreed to.

"registrar" means the registrar of the Board appointed undersection 7 of this Bill (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that the meaning of the word "registrar" be as defined in the interpretation to this Bill — Agreed to.

"registration certificate" menus a registration certificate issued under section 10 of this Bill (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that the meaning of the words "registration certificate" be as defined in the interpretation to this Bill — Agreed to.

Question that Clause 21 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 22: Citation.

This Bill may be cited as the Animal Health and Husbandry Technologists (Registration, etc.) Bill, 2016 (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 22 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1

SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE BOARD

1. (1) A person other than a person appointed under section 2 (1) (*e*), (*g*) and (*h*) of this Bill shall not be a member of the Board unless he is a citizen of Nigeria fully registered or in the case of the first members of the board is eligible for registration as member of the profession.

(2) Where a member of the Board ceases to hold office before the date when his term of office would have expired by his affluxion of time the body or person by whom he was appointed or elected shall as soon as may be, appoint or, as the case may be elect a person to fill the vacancy for the residue of the term aforesaid, so however that the foregoing provisions of this paragraph shall not apply where a person holding office as a member of the board ceases to hold office at a time when the residue of his term does not exceed one year.

2. (1) Subject to the provision of this Paragraph a member of the Board other than a public officer, shall hold office for a period of three years form the date of his appointment and shall be eligible for re-appointment for a further period of three years; thereafter he shall no longer be eligible for re-appointment.

(2) A member of the Board, other than a public officer, may resign his/her appointment by a letter addressed to the minister and the resignation shall take effect from the date of the receipt of the letter by the Minister.

(3) The Minister may appoint any person who is a registered Animal Health and Husbandry Technologist to be a temporary member during a long absence or temporary incapacity by illness of any member, and that person may while the appointment subsists; exercise the functions of a member under this Bill.

(4) The foregoing provisions of this section shall be without prejudice to the provisions of section II of the interpretation Act 1964 which relates to appointments.

Proceeding of the Board

3. The Board may make standing order regulating the proceeding of the Board or of any committee thereof or, in the absence of the Chairman elect a temporary vice-chairman who shall be an Animal Health and Husbandry Technologist and has been so qualified for not less than twelve years for the conduct of affairs of the Board.

4. The quorum of the Board shall be five and the quorum of any committee of the Board shall be as determined by the Board

5. At any time while the office of the Chairman is vacant or the chairman is in the opinion of the Board temporarily or permanently unable to perform the function of his office the vice-Chairman shall perform those function and references in this schedule to the Chairman shall be construed accordingly.

6. (1) Subject to the provisions of any applicable standing orders, the Board shall meet whenever summoned by the Chairman and if the Chairman is required so to do by notice to him by not less than six other members, he shall summon a meeting of the Board to be held within twenty one days from the date on which the notice is given.

(2) At any meeting of the Board, the chairman or, in his absence, the vice-chairman shall preside but if both are absent the members present at the meeting shall appoint one of their member to preside at that meeting.

(3) Where the Board wishes to obtain the advice of any person in a particular matter, the Board may co-opt him as a member for such period as it thinks fit, but a person who as a member by virtue of this sub-paragraph shall not be entitled to vote at any meeting of the Board and shall not count towards a quorum.

7. (1) The Board may appoint one or more committees to carry out on behalf of the Board, such of its functions as the Board may determine.

(2) A committee appointed under this paragraph shall consist of the number of persons determined by the Board and not more than one-third of those persons may be persons who are not members of the Board; and a person other than a member of the Board shall .hold office on the committee in accordance with the terms of the instrument by which he/she is appointed.

(3) A decision of a committee of the Board shall be of no effect until is confirmed by the Board.

8. (1) The fixing of the seal of the Board shall be authenticated by the signature of the Chairman or of some other member authorized generally or specially by the Board to act for that purpose.

(2) Any contract or instrument which if made or executed by a person not being a body corporate, would not be required to be under seal may be made or executed on behalf of the Board by any person generally or specially authorized to act for that purpose by the Board (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that the provisions of the Schedule 1 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

SCHEDULE 2

Section 15 (5)

SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE AND THE INVESTIGATING PANEL

The Disciplinary Committee

1. (1) The Attorney-General of the Federation shall make Rules as to the procedure to be followed, and the rules of evidence to be observed in proceeding before the Disciplinary Committee.

(2) The rules shall in particular provide —

(*a*) for securing that notice of proceedings shall be given at such time, and in such manner as may be specified by the rules, to the person who is the subject of the proceedings

(*b*) for determining who in addition to the person aforesaid, shall be a party to the proceeding;

(*c*) for securing that any party to the proceedings shall if he requires, be entitled to be heard by the Disciplinary Committee;

(*d*) for enabling any party to the proceedings to be represented by a legal practitioner;

(*e*) subject to the provisions of section 6 (2) (*d*) of this Bill, as to the costs to proceedings 3. before the Disciplinary Committee;

(*f*) for requiring, in a ease where it is alleged that the person who is the subject of the proceedings is guilty of infamous conduct in any professional respect that where the disciplinary committee finds that the allegations has not been proved it shall record a finding that the person is not guilty of such conduct in respect of the matter to which the allegation relates;

(*g*) for publishing in the Gazette the notice of any direction of the Disciplinary Committee which has taken effect providing that a person's name shall be erased from the register;

2. (1) For the purpose of advising the Disciplinary Committee on questions of law arising in proceedings before it, there shall in all such proceedings be an assessor to the Disciplinary Committee who shall be appointed by the Board on the recommendations of the Attorney-General of the Federation and shall be a legal practitioner of not less than seven years standing

(2) The Attorney-General of the Federation shall make rules as to the functions of assessors appointed under this paragraph, and in particular such rules shall contain provisions for securing —

(*a*) that where an assessor advises the Disciplinary Committee on any question of Law as to evidence, procedure or any other matter specified by the rules, he shall do so in the presence of every party or person representing a party in the proceedings who appears thereat or, if the advice is tendered while the Disciplinary Committee is deliberating in private, that every such party or person as aforesaid shall be informed as to what advice the assessor has rendered;

(*b*) that every party or person as aforesaid shall be informed if in any case the Disciplinary Committee does not accept the advice of the assessor on such a question as aforesaid.

(3) An assessor may be appointed under this paragraph either generally or for any particular proceedings or class of proceedings and shall hold and vacate office in accordance with the terms of the instrument by which he is appointed.

3. The quorum at any meeting of the Disciplinary committee shall be three.

4. At any meeting of the Disciplinary Committee, the Chairman of the Board shall preside and in his absence the members present shall appoint one of their member to 5. preside at that meeting.

5. Any question proposed for decision by the Disciplinary Committee shall be determined by majority of the members present and voting at a meeting of the Disciplinary Committee at which a quorum is formed.

6. At all meetings of the Disciplinary committee, each member present shall have one vote on a question proposed for decision by the Disciplinary Committee and, in the event of an equality of votes, the Chairman shall in addition to a deliberation vote, have a casting vote.

7. For the purpose of any inquiry the Disciplinary Committee may hear and receive evidence and may under the hand of the Chairman or Registrar summon witness and require the production of any book, document or thing and may through the Registrar administer an oath to any witness.

8. The quorum of the panel shall be three.

The Panel

9. (1) The panel may at any meeting of it attended by not less than four members make standing order for its purpose.

(2) Subject to the provision of any such standing order the panel may regulate its own procedure.

Miscellaneous

10. (1) A person ceasing to be a member of the Disciplinary Committee or the panel shall be eligible for re-appointment as a member of that body.

(2) A person may be a member of both the Disciplinary Committee and the panel; but no person who has acted as a member of a panel with respect to any case shall act as a member of the Disciplinary Committee with respect to that case.

11. The Disciplinary committee or panel may act notwithstanding any vacancy in is membership; and the proceedings of either body shall not be invalidated by any irregularity in the appointment of a member of that body; or subject to sub-paragraph (2) 9. of paragraph 10 of this Schedule, by reason of the fact that any person who was not entitled so to do take part in the proceedings of that body,

12. The Disciplinary Committee and the panel may each sit in two or more places.

13. Any document authorized or required by virtue of this Bill to be served on the Disciplinary Committee or the panel shall be served on the Registrar.

14. Any expenses of the Disciplinary Committee or the panel shall be defrayed by the Board (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that the provisions of Schedule 2 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

SCHEDULE 3

Section 10 (4)

ACCEPTABLE MINIMUM QUALIFICATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF REGISTRATION ON THE REGISTER ESTABLISHED UNDER THIS BILL

1. Higher National Diploma of the College of Animal health and Production Technology or its recognized equivalent qualification

2. Professional Diploma or Degree of any recognized university (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that the provisions of Schedule 3 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Long Title:
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 (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that the Long Title stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.

Chairman to report Bill.

(HOUSE IN PLENARY)

Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair reported that the House in Committee of the Whole considered the Report on 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) and approved Clauses 1 - 22, Schedules 1, 2 and 3, and the Long Title of the Bill.

Question that the House do adopt the Report of the Committee of the Whole — Agreed to.

(*iii*) ***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*) (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*):**

Question agreed to.

Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to consider the Report — Agreed to.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE)

(*Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair*)

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)

Clause 1: **Amendment of the Principal Act.**
The Mortgage Institution Act, Cap. M19 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004, (in this Bill referred to as 'the Principal Act) is amended as set out in this Bill (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 1 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 2: **Amendment of Sections 1, 2 and 17 of the Principal Act.**
Sections 1 (3), 2 (7) and 17 (3) is amended by substituting "₦100" with "₦1000" (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 2 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 3: **Amendment of Section 15.**
Section 15 (4) of the Principal Act are amended by substituting "₦200" with "₦20,000" (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 3 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 4: **Amendment of Sections 20 and 21 of the Principal Act.**
Sections 20 and 21 of the Principal Act are amended by substituting "₦10,000" with "₦100,000" (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 4 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 5: **Citation.**
This Bill is cited as the Mortgage Institutions Act (Amendment) Bill, 2016 (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 5 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Long Title:
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 (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that the Long Title stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.

Chairman to report Bill.

(HOUSE IN PLENARY)

Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair reported that the House in Committee of the Whole considered the Report on 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) and approved Clauses 1 - 5, and the Long Title of the Bill.

Question that the House do adopt the Report of the Committee of the Whole — Agreed to.

(*iv*) ***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*) (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*):**

Question agreed to.

Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to consider the Report — Agreed to.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE)

(*Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair*)

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)

Clause 1: Amendment of Cap. N54 LFN, 2004.
The National Insurance Corporation of Nigeria Act, Cap. N54 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 is repealed (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 1 stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.

Clause 2: Citation.
This Bill may be cited as the National Insurance Corporation of Nigeria (Repeal) Bill, 2016 (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 2 stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.

Long Title:
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 (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that the Long Title stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.

Chairman to report Bill.

(HOUSE IN PLENARY)

Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair reported that the House in Committee of the Whole considered the Report on 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) and approved Clauses 1 - 2, and the Long Title of the Bill.

Question that the House do adopt the Report of the Committee of the Whole — Agreed to.

(*v*) ***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*) (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*):**

Question agreed to.

Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to consider the Report — Agreed to.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE)

(*Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair*)

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)

Clause 1: **Amendment of Cap. D1, LFN, 2004.**
The Dangerous Drugs Cap. D1 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria (in this Bill referred to as the "Principal Act") is amended as set out in this Bill (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 1 stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.

Clause 2: **Amendment of Section 8 (2).**
Section 8 (2) (*b*) of the Principal Act is amended by substituting for the word "is" in line 2, the word "are" (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 2 stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.

Clause 3: **Amendment of Section 9.**
Section 9 of the Principal Act is amended —

(*a*) In subsection (1), by substituting for the word "President" in line 5, the words, "Minister of Health"; and

(*b*) In subsection (3), by substituting for the word "President" in line 1, the words "Minister of Health" (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 3 stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.

Clause 4: **Amendment of Section 10.**
Section 10 of the Principal Act is amended , in the definition of—

(*a*) "conveyance", by inserting after the word, "motor" in line 1, the word "vehicle";

(*b*) "Export authority" by inserting —

(*i*) after the word, quantity" in line 3, the word "which" and

(*ii*) the word "which" in line 5, after the word "within" (*Hon. Olabod Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 4 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 5: **Amendment of Section 19 (2).**
Section 19 (2) of the Principal Act is amended by substituting for the word "two" ir line 2, the word "twenty" (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federa Constituency*).

Question that Clause 5 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 6: **Amendment of Section 2.**
Section 21 of the Principal Act is amended by substituting for the words "any polic officers" in line 1, the words "any person" (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Os Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 6 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 7: **Citation.**
This Bill may be cited as the Dangerous Drugs Act (Amendment) Bill, 2016 (*Hon Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 7 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Long Title:
A Bill for an Act to Amend the Dangerous Drugs Act, Cap. D1, Laws of the Federation of Nigeri 2004, to give Powers to the Minister of Health to Regulate certain classes of Drugs, allow arrest t be effected by Members of the Public and Review the Prescribed Penalties Provided under the Ac and for Other Related Matters (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that the Long Title stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.

Chairman to report Bill.

(HOUSE IN PLENARY)

Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair reported that the House in Committee of the Whole considered tl Report on a Bill for an Act to Amend the Dangerous Drugs Act, Cap. D1, Laws of the Federatic of Nigeria, 2004, to give Powers to the Minister of Health to Regulate certain classes of Drugs, allo arrest to be effected by Members of the Public and Review the Prescribed Penalties Provided und the Act; and for Other Related Matters (HB. 292) and approved Clauses 1 - 7, and the Long Tit of the Bill.

Question that the House do adopt the Report of the Committee of the Whole — Agreed to.

(*vi*) ***A Bill for an Act to Amend the Nigerian Investment Promotion Commission Act, Ca N*117, *Laws of the Federation of Nigeria*, 2004; *and for Other Related Matters* (HB. 24 (*Committee of the Whole*) (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*)**

Question agreed to.

Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to consider the Report — Agre to.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE)

(*Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair*)

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)

Clause 1: **Amendment of Cap. N117 LFN, 2004.**
The Nigerian Investment Promotion Commission Act, Cap. N117, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 (in this Bill referred to as the "Principal Act") is amended as set out in this Bill (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 1 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 2: **Amendment of Section 1.**
Section 1 of the PrincipalAct is amended by inserting a new subsection "(3)":

"(3) The Commission shall have power to own movable and immovable property" (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 2 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 2: **Amendment of Section 2.**
Section (2) (*e*) of the Principal Act is amended and re-modified as follows:

"(*e*) Ten other persons formthe Private Sector Organization which shall include:

(*i*) Chairman of the Nigerian Chamber of Commerce and Industry;

(*ii*) Chairman of the Nigerian Manufacturer Association;

(*iii*) Director-General Nigeria Stock Exchange;

(*iv*) Chairman of the Nigerian Bankers Association;

(*v*) Chairman of the Nigerian Insurance Association;

(*vi*) Chairman of the Nigerian Farmer Association;

(*vii*) Chairman of the Nigerian Petroleum an Gas Industry and (3) three other to be appointed by the President on the recommendations of the Minister from the private sector (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 2 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 3: **Amendment of Section 3.**
Section 3 (2) of the Principal Act is amended by inserting the words "other than *ex-officio* member" after the words "Council" in line 1 (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 3 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 4: **Amendment of Section 17.**
Section 17 of the Principal Act is amended by substituting for the existing Sectio 17 a new Section "17"—

"**17.** The enterprises specified in the Second Schedule are reserves for Nigerians and shall not be undertaken by a non-Nigerian" (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 4 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 5: **Amendment of Section 19.**
Section 19 of the Principal Act is amended by substituting for the existing Sectior 19 new Section "19"—

"**19.** (1) Subject to the provisions of Sections 17, 18 and any other law, a non-Nigerian may invest and participate in the operation of any enterprise in Nigeria;

(2) An enterprise in which foreign participation is permitted in subsection (1) of this Section, shall not commence business, except:

(*a*) it is incorporated or registered under the Companies and Allied Matters Act;

(*b*) obtained such licence, lease, permit or any other approval as may be required for the establishment and operation of the enterprise,

(*c*) in case of a joint enterprise with a Nigerian partner

(*d*) the enterprise is wholly owned by a foreigner there is an investment of a capital of not less than ₦500,000,000 (Fifty Million) or its equivalent worth in capital goods

(3) Notwithstanding the provisions of sub-section (2) of this Section, in case of a trading enterprise involving only the purchasing and selling of goods which is wholly or partly owned by a person who is not a Nigerian, there shall be:

(*a*) an investment of foreign capital or its equivalent in goods worth at least US$500,000,000 by way of equity capital;"

(*b*) at least fifteen Nigerians under the employment of the enterprise amongst which shall be 30% Senior and Management Staff" (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 5 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 6: **Amendment of Section 20.**
Section 20 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting the after subsection (2) a new subsections "(3), (4)and (5)"—

"(3) An enterprise which has been carrying on business as fully Nigerian owned shall as soon as it has any foreign participation in its ownership, apply to the Commission for registration within fourteen days from the date of such foreign participation."

(4) If an enterprise in which foreign participation is permitted under section 17 of this Act commences or carries on business without registering with the Commission, the enterprise shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding ₦10,000 for everyday of default:

Provided that subsections (1) and (2) of this section, shall not be deemed to apply to portfolio investments made through the purchase of securities through Stock Exchange; and portfolio investments shall not be interpreted as constituting doing business for the purpose of this section."

(5) The Commission should ensure that foreign investors submit an annual report to the Nigerian Investment Promotion Commission showing that such amount mentioned in Section 22 (2) had been invested and detailing the type of business activities including export and persons employed (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 6 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 7: **Amendment of Section 22.**
Section 22 of the Principal Act is amended by introducing a new subsection (2) (*a*)-(*e*) and the existing Section becomes subsection (1):

"(2) The Commission shall ensure that investors are given a minimum of 90 days Visa at the point of entry; namely Murtala Muhammad International Airport, Lagos, Nnamdi Azikwe International Airport, Abuja, Aminu Kano International Airport, Kano, Port Harcourt International Airport and any other designated International Airport in Nigeria which will be renewable for five (5) years multiple entry provided:

(*a*) he has invested not less than $100,000 US Dollar in the Nigeria Stock Exchange;

(*b*) he is collaboration with a Nigerian(s) has invested not less than $100,000 US dollars in any legitimate business venture in Nigeria;

(*c*) he has made a deposit of $50,000 US dollars or more in any Nigerian Bank for not less than a period of 90days

(*d*) he has purchased a house or landed property either for private or business in Nigeria for a value of not less than $100,000 US dollars;

(*e*) as student, he has evidence of having paid school fees in a University approve by NUC and having not less than $1000 US dollars with him (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 7 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 8: **Amendment of Section 26.**
Section 26 of the Principal Act is amended —

(*a*) in subsection (1) by substituting for the words "any Government of the Federation" the words "Government or any of its agencies" in line 1; and

(*b*) in subsection (3), by substituting for the words "Federal Government" the words "Government or any of its agencies" in line 2 (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 8 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Clause 9: **Citation.**
This Bill may be cited as the Nigerian Investment Promotion Commission Act (Amendment) Bill, 2016 (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that Clause 9 *stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

Long Title:
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 (*Hon. Olabode Ayorinde — Owo/Ose Federal Constituency*).

Question that the Long Title stand part of the Bill — Agreed to.

Chairman to report Bill.

(HOUSE IN PLENARY)

Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair reported that the House in Committee of the Whole considered the Report on 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) and approved Clauses 1 - 9, and the Long Title of the Bill.

Question that the House do adopt the Report of the Committee of the Whole — Agreed to.

29. Adjournment
That the House do adjourn till Wednesday, 1 *June*, 2016 *at* 11.00 *a.m.* (Hon. Femi Gbajabiamila — *House Leader*).

The House adjourned accordingly at 2.13 *p.m.*

Yakubu Dogara
Speaker