



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

ORDER PAPER

Wednesday 21 September, 2016

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PRESENTATION OF BILLS

1. Change of Name (Regulation) Bill, 2016 (HB. 767) *(Hon. Istifanus D. Gyang) – First Reading*
2. City Technical University Kaduna Bill, 2016 (HB. 768) *(Hon. Tijani Jobe Abdulkadir) – First Reading.*
3. Chartered Institute of Forensic Accountants of Nigeria Bill, 2016 (HB. 769) *(Hon. Solomon B. Maren) – First Reading.*
4. Nigerian Institute of Mining and Geosciences, Jos (Establishment) Bill, 2016 (HB. 770) *(Hon. Suleiman Yahaya Kwande) - First Reading.*
5. National Farm Settlements and Youth Empowerment Agency (Establishment) Bill, 2016 ((HB. 771) *(Hon. Henry Okon Archibong) – First Reading.*
6. Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (Alteration) Bill, 2016 (HB. 772) *(Hon. Solomon Adaelu) - First Reading.*

7. Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (Alteration) Bill, 2016 (HB. 773) (*Hon. Chukwuka Onyema*) – *First Reading*.
 8. Nigeria Social Responsibility Agency (Establishment) Bill, 2016 (HB. 774) (*Hon. Ayo Omidiran*) – *First Reading*.
 9. Local Value Addition Bill, 2016 (HB. 775) (*Hon. Emmanuel Ekon*) *First Reading*.
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PRESENTATION OF REPORTS

1. Committee on Health Institutions:

Hon. Betty Apiafi:

“That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Health Institutions on the Public Hearing on A Bill for an Act to Establish the Federal College of Medical Laboratory Science, Jos and to Provide for Courses Leading to the Award of Degrees, Fellowships, Diplomas and Certificates in Medical Laboratory Science, Biomedical Science, Other Related Courses and for Other Matters Connected Therewith (HB. 39) (*Referred 20/10/2015*)

2. Committee on Health Institutions:

Hon. Betty Apiafi:

“That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Health Institutions on the Public Hearing on A Bill for an Act to Amend the Medical and Dental Practitioners Act, Cap M 8, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria 2004, to make Provisions for Compensation for Medical Malpractice and Negligence and for Other Matters Connected Therewith (HB. 141) and a Bill for an Act to Amend the Medical and Dental Practitioners Act, Cap. M8, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and for Other Matters Connected Therewith (HB. 351) (*Referred: 10/3/2016*)

3. Committee on Health Institutions:

Hon. Betty Apiafi:

“That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Health Institutions on the Public Hearing on A Bill for an Act to Establish the National Postgraduate College of Physiotherapy to be charged with the Responsibility of Promoting Professional Physiotherapy Education, Providing Specialists in Physiotherapy with critical thinking and creative problem solving Skills and prepare Knowledgeable, Skilled, Culturally Competent, Compassionate and Reflective Physiotherapy Practitioners in the study and Practice of Physiotherapy in Nigeria and for Other Matters Related Thereto, (HB.372) (*Referred: 3/3/2016*)

4. Committee on Health Institutions:

Hon. Betty Apiafi:

“That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Health Institutions on the Public Hearing on A Bill for an Act to Amend the Psychiatric Hospitals Management Board Act, Cap. P34, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to give room for fair hearing in the disciplining of any student for misconduct and for Other Matters Connected Therewith, (HB. 352) (*Referred: 1/3/2016*)

5. Ad-Hoc Committee on Undue Accumulation of Debts and Alleged Fraudulent Sale of Banks by the Assets Management Corporation of Nigeria (AMCON):

Hon. Albert A. Adeogun:

“That the House do receive the Report of the *Ad-Hoc* Committee on Undue Accumulation of Debts and Alleged Fraudulent Sale of Banks by the Assets Management Corporation of Nigeria (AMCON): (*HR.98/2015*) (*Referred: 7 /10/2015*).

ORDERS OF THE DAY

BILLS

1. Consolidation of Bills:

- (a) A Bill for an Act to Amend the Internal Loans Act, Cap. I18, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and for Other Related Matters, (HB. 188) (*Hon. Edward Gyang Pwajok*);
 - (b) A Bill for an Act to Amend the Internal Loans (Rehabilitation, Reconstruction and Development) Act, Cap. I19, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and for Other Related Matters, (HB. 189) (*Hon. Edward Gyang Pwajok*).
2. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Chartered Institute of Commodity Brokers of Nigeria (CICBN) and for Other Related Matters (HB. 417) (*Hon. Abdullahi Umar Faruk*) – Second Reading.
 3. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Private Guards Companies Act, Cap. P30, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004; and a Bill for an Act to Amend the Private Guards Companies Act, Cap. P.30, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 Relating to their Licensing, Regulation; and for Other Matters Connected Therewith (HBs. 225 and 348) (*Hon. Uzoma Nkem Abonta and Hon. Igariewe Iduma Enwo*) – Second Reading.
 4. A Bill for An Act to Amend the National Identity Management Commission Act No. 23 of 2007 to, among Other Things, Review the Composition of the Board and Allow the National Salaries, Income and Wages Commission to determine Allowances and Other Remunerations of the Chairman and Members of the Board and for Other Related Matters (HB. 248) (*Hon. Mark Terseer Gbilah*) – Second Reading.
 5. A Bill for an Act to Alter the Constitution of Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 to Provide for the Establishment of State Police and to ensure effective Community Policing in Nigeria and for Other Related Matters, (HB. 184) (*Hon. Awoleye Abiodun Dada*) – Second Reading.
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MOTIONS

6. Urgent Need to Intervene in the Gully Erosion/ Perennial Flooding in Esan West, Esan Central and Igueben Federal Constituency of Edo State:

Hon. Joseph Edionwele:

The House:

Notes that gully erosion is a major environmental problem that constitutes a threat to the continued existence of human communities in the rural and urban areas in Nigeria;

Also notes that the above problem has greatly devastated Esan West/Esan Central and Igueben Federal Constituency, thus washing away houses, farmlands and roads;

Recalls that the devastating gully erosion which ravaged Ibore-Irrua and Eguare-Ewu communities in 2010 led to award of contracts for the reclamation of the land, but so far, no appreciable work has been done and the contractor has abandoned the sites;

Desirous that urgent steps be taken to reclaim all the areas already ravaged and stave off further devastation of the environment;

Resolves to:

- (i) Urge the Ecological Fund Office to undertake a visit of the affected areas with a view to setting machinery into motion to arrest the incidence of gully erosion in the areas;

- (ii) Also urge the Federal Ministry of Environment to work out pro-active measures to tackle the perennial flooding caused by changing climatic conditions and increasing urbanization; and
- (iii) Mandate the Committee on Environment and Habitat to determine what led to the abandonment of the reclamation contract at Ibore – Eguare- Ewu awarded in 2010, and report back to the House within six weeks for further legislative action.

7. **Call for Reconstruction of Mbaise Ring Road/Owerri-Aba Road and Okpala /Igwuruta Road in Imo State:**

Hon. Bede Eke:

The House:

Notes that Mbaise Ring Road, Owerri-Aba and Okpala-Igwuruta are all federal roads stretching from different parts of Imo State to other neighbouring States;

Also notes that due to the deplorable condition of these roads, the Federal Government awarded contracts for their reconstruction some years ago but the contractors did not complete the reconstruction before abandoning the projects;

Concerned that the deplorable conditions of the roads are causing untold hardships to motorists and raising security concerns for residents of adjoining communities;

Convinced that there is a need to ensure the reconstruction of the roads to enhance commerce and transportation in the Eastern and South-South parts of the country;

Resolves to:

- (i) Urge the Federal Ministry of Power, Works and Housing to appropriate money in the 2017 budget estimates for the reconstruction of Owerri-Aba Road;
- (ii) Also urge the Federal Ministry of Niger Delta Affairs to appropriate money in the 2017 budget estimates for the reconstruction of Okpala-Igwuruta and Mbaise Ring Roads;
- (iii) Mandate the Committees on Works, Niger Delta Ministries and Legislative Compliance to ensure adherence to the above prayers.

8. **Urgent Need to Investigate the Causes of the Economic Recession in Nigeria and Provide Favourable Economic Policies to Overcome the Current Challenges:**

Hon. Toby Okechukwu:

The House

Notes that the Nigerian economy which has generally been underperforming has become even worse, following recent developments;

Also notes the decline in economic activities spreading across the Nigerian landscape which is visible in the real sector, employment, industrial production, manufacturing, wholesale and retail sales, etc;

Aware that the National Bureau of Statistics confirmed in their recent report that the Nigerian Economy has formally entered into recession following the negative growth in Nigeria's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) for two consecutive quarters, at 0.36% (first quarter of 2016) and -2.06% for second quarter of 2016;

Worried that the deplorable nature of the Nigerian economy has led to a situation where several States across the country are unable to pay salaries and wages of public sector workers and generally meet other basic financial demands and obligations;

Also worried about the astronomical decline in the value of the Naira, the existence of multiple exchange rates and inconsistent foreign exchange policies, leading to massive capital flight and divestment from the Nigerian economy;

Observes regrettably that the implementation of the capital and even certain aspects of the recurrent budget which has capacity to reflate the economy has not reached appreciable level, a situation that contributes to the state of projects abandonment;

Laments that basic infrastructure to sustain the economy, like power supply has not been properly addressed;

Also laments that prices of basic staple food items and commodities have risen so much as to be out of the reach of most Nigerians;

Regrets the massive loss of jobs and retrenchment of workers, when unemployment is already at an unacceptable level;

Believes that militancy and sabotage of oil producing facilities in the Niger Delta Area, which has led to decline in Crude Oil production and export has not been properly tackled and government policies and operations in the Oil and Gas sector have not been effective;

Concerned that the steep decline in oil prices has had a devastating effect on the economy;

Also concerned that the diversification of the economy has not reached appreciable level as to make a difference;

Convinced that only a concerted effort from all branches of government and the private sector will take Nigeria out of recession and lead to a robust economy;

Resolves to:

Constitute an Ad-Hoc Committee to conduct an investigation into the circumstances leading to economic recession in Nigeria and to proffer measures aimed at salvaging Nigeria's economy, including recommending interim measures to cushion the debilitating effects of the recession on the citizens and halting the growing rate of loss of jobs and spiraling inflation.

9. **Urgent Need to Address the Economic Downturn in Nigeria:**

Hon. Mukaila Olayiwola Kazzim:

The House:

Notes that due to the crash of crude oil prices from over \$120 per barrel in the last quarter of 2014 to about \$45 presently, Nigeria has been witnessing a dramatic reduction in oil earnings, which has impacted negatively on revenues available to finance expenditure, as a result, the foreign reserves had been depleted to bridge the gap;

Also notes that the loss of confidence in the nation's economy has led to increase in the rate of outflow of businesses worth more than four trillion Naira following declining oil revenue and the devaluation of the Naira;

Further notes the unprecedented level of youth unemployment of about 70% which has continued to grow unabated as businesses keep folding up;

Concerned that bank lending rate of between 25-30% per annum and other hidden charges are discouraging borrowers, especially the Medium, Small and Micro Enterprises (MSMEs) and is also counterproductive for meaningful economic growth;

Also concerned about the economic downturn that is looming in the country which was predicted in 2014 by the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund (IMF) based on the aforementioned events, coupled with declining foreign reserves and rising external debts which, according to the Debt Management Office (DMO) now hovers around \$10bn from \$3.5bn nine years ago;

Aware that the Manufacturers Association of Nigeria (MAN) condemned the high interests charged by Banks and the CBN's foreign exchange policy has created more problems for the real sector since it made access to foreign exchange more difficult for importation of raw materials by genuine users and coupled with the weak Naira, the policy has fuelled cost production increases;

Further concerned that industries such as the steel rolling mills, paper mills, aviation and textile industries etc. that are supposed to provide cushion for the aforementioned policies and conserve foreign exchange have become moribund;

Resolves to:

- (i) Urge the Federal Government to direct the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN), the Federal Ministry of Finance and the National Planning Commission to review the existing monetary policy with a view to developing sustainable lending rates and right environment that will foster real sector growth to enhance economic development;
- (ii) Also urge the Federal Government to take steps to resuscitate the comatose government owned industries which will generate employment, provide raw materials for local producers and preserve scarce foreign exchange;
- (iii) Further urge the Federal Government to develop policies that will be attractive to private investment for the commercial exploration of solid minerals and also pay attention to non-oil sector such as tourism, automobile industry, information technology etc. in order to bring about the diversification of the nation's economy;
- (iv) Mandate the Committees on Banking and Currency, Finance and National Planning and Economic Development to ensure compliance, and report back to the House within four weeks for further legislative action.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Committee	Date	Time	Venue
1. Rules and Business	Wednesday, 21 September, 2016	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 (White House) Assembly Complex
2. Women in Parliament	Wednesday, 21 September, 2016	3: 00 p. m	Committee Room 324 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
3. Finance	Wednesday, 21 September, 2016	3: 00 p. m	Committee Room 107 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
4. Anti-Corruption	Wednesday, 21 September, 2016	3: 00 p. m	Committee Room 327 New Building (House) Assembly Complex

5. Local Content

Wednesday, 21 September, 2016 3: 00 p. m

Committee Room 144
New Building (House)
Assembly Complex