



**SENATE OF THE
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA
ORDER PAPER**

Wednesday, 5th April, 2017

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1. Prayers
 2. Approval of the Votes and Proceedings
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ORDERS OF THE DAY

MOTIONS

1. Re Committal of the National Assembly Budget and Research Office Bill, 2017 and the Forestry Research Institute of Nigeria Bill, 2017.

Sponsor: Senate Leader

The Senate:

Recalls that the National Assembly Budget and Research Office Bill, 2017 and the Forestry Research Institute of Nigeria (Est, etc) Bill, 2017 were passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives, and transmitted to the Clerk National Assembly for further legislative action;

Observes that the Directorate of Legal Services scrutinized the Bills in line with its mandate and raised fundamental issues that needed to be addressed, before the Bills could be transmitted for Presidential assent;

Aware that there is no defined procedure on the reconsideration of Bills passed by the National Assembly that have not been transmitted to the President for assent;

Notes that Order 1(b) of the Senate Standing Order states that "in all cases not provided for here in after, or by Session or Order practice of the Senate, the Senate shall by Resolution regulate its procedure",

Accordingly resolves to:

Invoke Order 1(b) of the Senate Standing Order as amended, 2015 to refer the Bills to the respective Conference Committees that had earlier worked on them to consider the observations raised by the Directorate of Legal Services and report back to the Senate within one week.

2. Re Committal of the Dangerous Drugs Act (Amendment) Bill, 2017 and Currency Conversion (Freezing) orders Act (Amendment) Bill, 2017.

Sponsor: Senate Leader

The Senate:

Recalls that the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria had signified the withholding of his Assent on;

- i. Dangerous Drugs Act (Amendment) Bill, 2017; and
- ii. Currency Conversion (Freezing) orders Act (Amendment) Bill, 2017;

Observes that Mr. President withheld Assent to the Dangerous Drugs Act (Amendment) Bill based on the concerns regarding certain words and phrases reflected in the Bill that may be inconsistent with the Principal Act in Sections 6 and 21 respectively;

Observes also that Mr. President withheld Assent to the Currency Conversion (Freezing) orders Act (Amendment) Bill on the concern regarding modalities for the communication of Asset forfeiture,

Accordingly resolves to:

Constitute Conference Committee on the Respective Bills to consider the observations of Mr. President C-in-C on the Bills.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

1. A Bill for an Act to make provisions for the Suppression of Piracy and to provide for punishment for the offence of piracy and for matters connected therewith, 2017 (SB: 254) – *Second Reading*
Sen. Nelson Effiong (Akwa-Ibom South).
2. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Nigeria Postal Service Act CAP No. 127 LFN 2004, to provide for the operations and development of postal services, the establishment of the Nigerian Postal Commission and for related matters, 2017 (SB. 437) – *Second Reading*
Sen. Gbenga Ashafa (Lagos East).
3. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Arbitration and Reconciliation Act CAP A18 LFN 2004 and for other matters related thereto, 2017 (SB. 362) – *Second Reading*
Sen. Monsurat Sunmonu (Oyo Central).
4. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Arbitration and Conciliation Act CAP A18 LFN 2004 and Re-Enact the Arbitration and Conciliation 2017 for the modern regulation of Arbitration and Conciliation processes and recognition and enforcement of Arbitral Awards in International Commercial Arbitration and for connected purposes (SB. 427) – *Second Reading*
Sen. Andy Uba (Anambra South).
5. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Insurance Act 2003 to set minimum limit of compensation in the event of death, injury or loss of property of third party with respect to Insurance of Public Buildings and Buildings under Construction and for related matters, 2017 (SB. 275) – *Second Reading*
Sen. Umaru I. Kurfi (Katsina Central).
6. A Bill for an Act to provide for the establishment of the Armed Forces (Restriction on the use of Arms in certain Internal Security Operations, etc) and for other matters connected therewith, 2017 (SB. 341) – *Second Reading*
Sen. David Umaru (Niger East).
7. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Nigerian Youth Service Corps Act, CAP N84 LFN 2004 to provide for free and compulsory acquisition of vocational skills by Corps Members and for related matters, 2017 (SB. 147) – *Second Reading*
Sen. Stella Oduah (Anambra North).
8. A Bill for an Act to provide for the Prevention, Control and Management of Sickle Cell Anaemia and for other purposes connected therewith, 2017 (SB. 128) – *Second Reading*
Sen. Sam Egwu (Ebonyi North).
9. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Chartered Institute of Fraud Examiners and for matters connected therewith, 2017 (SB. 167) – *Second Reading*
Sen. Foster Ogola (Bayelsa West).

10. A Bill for an Act to Establish a Correction, Reformation and Reintegration Centre to provide Support Services for Prisons in the area of Reformation, Reintegration and Youthful Offender Programming and for related matters, 2017 (SB. 308) - *Second Reading*.
Sen. Gershom Bassey (*Cross River South*).

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

No.	Committee	Date	Time	Venue
1.	Committee on the Review Of the 1999 Constitution	Wednesday, 5 th April, 2017	2.00pm	Committee Room 301 Senate New Building
2.	Ethics, Privileges and Public Petitions	Wednesday, 5 th April, 2017	3.00pm	Committee Room 120 Senate New Building
3.	Ad-Hoc Committee on Alleged Mis-use, Under Remittance & other Fraudulent Activities.	Wed. 5 th - Thur. 6 th April, 2017 (3-Day Public Hearing)	10.00am	Conference Room 204 Senate New Building
4.	Petroleum Downstream	Wed. 5 th - Thur. 6 th April, 2017	2.00pm	Committee Room 221 Senate New Building
5.	Niger Delta	Thursday, 6 th April, 2017	2.00pm	Committee Room 107 Senate New Building
6.	Education	Thursday, 6 th April, 2017	2.00pm	Committee Room 117 Senate New Building

