

# SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

# **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

Tuesday, 30th June, 2020

1. The Senate met at 10:53 am. The Deputy President of the Senate read prayers.

## 2. Votes and Proceedings:

The Senate examined the Votes and Proceedings (2) of Thursday, 11th June, 2020.

Question was put and the Votes and Proceedings were approved.

## 3. Demise of Senator Sikiru Adebayo Osinowo (Lagos East):

Motion made: That the Senate notes the demise of Senator Sikiru Adebayo Osinowo (Lagos East), who died on Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2020 after a brief illness at the age of 64. He urged the Senate to observe a minute silence, adjourn Plenary and suspend all other legislative activities for today in his honour (Senator Yahaya A. Abdullahi — Kebbi North).

One minute silence accordingly observed in honour of the Deceased and all Senate proceedings suspended.

#### 4. Presentation of Bills:

- (i) National Commission for Refugees, Migrants and Internally Displaced Persons Act (Amendment) Bill, 2020 (HB. 171):
  - Presentation of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.
- (ii) Agricultural Credit Guarantee Scheme Fund Act CAP A11 LFN 2004 (Amendment) Bill, 2020 (SB. 451):
  - Presentation of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.
- (iii) 1999 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria (Alteration) Bill, 2020 (SB. 458):

  Presentation of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.
- (iv) Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) Act, 2007 (Amendment) Bill, 2020 (SB. 463):

  Presentation of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.
- (v) National Institute of Management Act, No. 14 2003 (Amendment) Bill, 2020 (SB. 464):
  - Presentation of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.

# 5. Committee on Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters:

That the Senate do receive the Reports of the Committee on Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters on the following:

- a. Criminal Code Act CAP C38 LFN, 2004 (Amendment) Bill, 2020 (SB. 02);
- b. Sexual Harassment Bill, 2020 (SB. 77); and
- c. Alleged Court Invasion by Officers of the Department of the State Security Services (DSS) on Friday, 6th December, 2019.

Consideration of Reports deferred to another Legislative Day.

# 6. Committee on Tertiary Institutions and TETFUND:

That the Senate do receive the Reports of the Committee on Tertiary Institutions and TETFUND on the following:

- a. City University of Technology Auchi (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2020 (SB. 22);
- b. Federal College of Education Mutum Biyu (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2020 (SB. 101);
- c. Federal College of Education Giwa, Kaduna State (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2020 (SB.121); and
- d. Federal College of Education (Technical) Ibokun (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2020 (SB.134).

Consideration of Reports deferred to another Legislative Day.

# 7. Committee on Ethics, Privileges and Public Petitions:

That the Senate do consider the Reports of the Committee on Ethics, Privileges and Public Petitions in respect of:

- a. Alhaji Bashir Abdullahi and Five (5) others, against MTN Group Limited and Airtel Nigeria for alleged unbearable noise and discomfort caused by Telecommunication Mast mounted at No. 20 Oke-Agbe Street, Garki, Abuja;
- b. Hon. Julius Ibere and Nwojiji Abraham on behalf of Izzi Development Union (IDU), against the Federal Ministry of Education for siting the newly approved Federal College of Education in Ebonyi South Senatorial District instead of Ebonyi North Senatorial District;
- c. Two (2) petitions from Okuzo Leaders of Thought and Oba Patriotic Union respectively, against Rev. Uche U. Ibeabuchi who was seen as unqualified to be nominated for Appointment as a representative of Anambra State in the Federal Character Commission (FCC); and
- d. CSP Ebereuche Mike (Rtd), against the National Pension Commission (PENCOM) for the poor retirement benefits/pension of retired Nigeria Police Officers.

Consideration of Reports deferred to another Legislative Day.

#### 8. Motions:

(a) Herdsmen attack on Echori and Itakpa communities in the Benue South Senatorial District of Benue State: urgent need tor legislative intervention:

Consideration of Motion deferred to another Legislative Day.

(b) International Day of Parliamentarianism:

Consideration of Motion deferred to another Legislative Day.

(c) Urgent need for Completion and Take-off of the Federal Government Aquaculture Project at Idah, Kogi State:

Consideration of Motion deferred to another Legislative Day.

- 9. Electric Power Sector Reform Act, 2005 (Amendment) Bill, 2020 (HB. 01) Concurrence:

  Consideration of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.
- 10. FCT Health Insurance Agency (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2020 (HB. 60) Concurrence:

  Consideration of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.
- 11. Pharmacy Council of Nigeria Act CAP. P17, LFN, 2004 (Repeal & Re-enactment) Bill, 2020 (HB. 334)- Concurrence:

Consideration of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.

- 12. Environmental Health Officers (Registration, etc. Bill, 2020 (HB. 44) Concurrence:

  Consideration of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.
- 13. Adjournment:

  Motion made: That the Senate do now adjourn till Wednesday, 1st July, 2020 at 10.00 a.m. (Senate Leader).

Adjourned accordingly at 11:07 a.m.

Ovie Augustine Omo-Agege
Deputy President,
Senate of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.