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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA ORDER PAPER

Tuesday 22 March 2022

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PRESENTATION OF BILLS

- **1.** Federal Institute for Diving Technology, Sokebolou (Establishment) Bill, 2022 (HB.1906) (*Hon. Julius G. Pondi*) *First Reading*.
- 2. Nigeria Rural Health Care Trust Fund (Establishment) Bill, 2022(HB.1907) (Hon. Shehu Ladan) First Reading.
- **3.** Federal College of Education (Special) Dukku, Gombe State (Establishment) Bill, 2022(HB.1908) (*Hon. Aishatu Dukku*) *First Reading*.
- **4.** Nigerian Institute of Transport Technology Act (Repeal and Enactment) Bill, 2022 (HB.1909) (*Hon. Abbas Tajudeen*) *First Reading*.
- 5. Food and Drugs Act (Amendment) Bill, 2022 (HB.1910) (Hon. Rotimi Agunsoye) First Reading.
- **6.** Slaughter House of Animals and Livestock (Regulations) Bill, 2022 (HB.1911) (*Hon. Rotimi Agunsoye*) *First Reading*.
- 7. National Institute of Entrepreneurship and Innovation, Okota, Isolo, Lagos State (Establishment) Bill, 2022 (HB.1912) (Hon. Ganiyu Abiodun Johnson) First Reading.
- **8.** Federal Medical Centre, Ejigbo, Lagos State (Establishment) Bill, 2022 (HB.1913) (*Hon. Ganiyu Abiodun Johnson*) *First Reading*.

- **9.** Compulsory, Free Universal Basic Education Act (Amendment) Bill, 2022 (HB.1914) (*Hon. Steve Azaiki*) *First Reading*.
- **10.** National Estate Housing Management Commission (Establishment) Bill, 2022 (HB.1915) (*Hon. Mallam Bukar Gana*) *First Reading*.

PRESENTATION OF REPORTS

1. Committee on Public Petitions:

Report on the Petition by Dr Patrick Ogbonnaya:

Hon. Jerry Alagbaoso:

"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Dr Patrick Ogbonnaya against the Federal Medical Centre, Nguru, Yobe State on his wrongful termination of appointment by the Federal Medical Centre" (*Referred:18/12/2019*).

2. Committee on Public Petitions:

Report on the Petition by Ex. PC Ojo Aiyeetan:

Hon. Jerry Alagbaoso:

"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Ex PC Ojo Aiyeetan against the Nigeria Police Force on his unlawful dismissal from service" (*Referred:16/2/2021*).

3. Committee on Public Petitions:

Report on the Petition by Mr Stephen Alao:

Hon. Jerry Alagbaoso:

"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Mr Stephen Alao against the National Youth Service Corps and the Independent National Electoral Commission for claims of the sum of N20 Million to cover his medical expenses incurred as a result of a ghastly motor accident while on duty, during the 2019 General Elections" (*Referred: 21/4/2021*).

4. Committee on Public Petitions:

Report on the Petition by Gbenga Ajisafe &Co. Legal Practitioners on behalf of Berekete Marketing Limited: Hon. Jerry Alagbaoso:

"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Gbenga Ajisafe & Co. Legal Practitioners on behalf of Berekete Marketing Limited against the Nigeria Customs Service over Illegal Exploration of Wood in Contravention of Extant Laws" (*Referred:18/5/2021*).

5. Committee on Public Petitions:

Report on the Petition by Nasiru Hassan:

Hon. Jerry Alagbaoso:

"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Nasiru Hassan against the Nigeria Police Force, an Appeal for a Review of his improper dismissal from the service of the Nigeria Police Force" (*Referred:5/11/2019*).

ORDERS OF THE DAY

BILLS

- 1. A Bill for an Act to Establish Alex Ekwueme Federal Teaching Hospital, Abakaliki, Ebonyi State; and for Related Matters (HB. 1325) *Third Reading*.
- 2. A Bill for an Act to Provide for Establishment of Federal Medical Centre, Amagu Ikwo, Ebonyi State; and for Related Matters (HB. 1326) *Third Reading*.
- 3. A Bill for an Act to Establish Federal Medical Centre, Bonny, Rivers State; and for Related Matters (HB. 963) *Third Reading*.
- 4. A Bill for an Act to Establish Federal College of Health and Management Sciences, Amaigbo, Imo State to provide Full-Time Courses, Teaching Instructions and Training in Health, Management Sciences, Applied Sciences and for Related Matters (HB. 1420) *Third Reading*.

- 5. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Obafemi Awolowo University (Transitional Provision) Act, Cap. O2, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Specify the Minimum Qualification of the Chairman of the Governing Council, Ownership of Intellectual Property and to Provide for Pre-action Notice to the University Authority; and for Related Matters (HB. 922) *Third Reading*.
- 6. A Bill for an Act to Amend the University of Ibadan Act, Cap. U6, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Specify the Minimum Qualification of the Chairman of the Governing Council, Ownership of Intellectual Property and to Provide for Pre-action Notice to the University Authority; and for Related Matters (HB. 923) *Third Reading*.
- 7. A Bill for an Act to Provide for Establishment of the Federal College of Nursing, Midwifery and Health Sciences, Isiala-Mbano, Imo State; and for Related Matters (HB. 1642) Third Reading.
- **8.** A Bill for an Act to Provide for the Creation and Development of an Enabling Environment for Technology-Enabled Startup in Nigeria; and for Related Matters (HB.1886) (*Leader*) *Second Reading*.
- 9. A Bill for an Act to Amend the North–East Development Commission Act, 2017 to make Provisions for Enhanced Efficiency in the Operations of the North–East Development Commission and Deepen the Impact of the Commission on the Lives of Residents of Member States through Strategic Capital Development Projects and Enhance the critical sources of Revenues due to the Commission; and for Related Matters (HBs. 1152 and 1341) (Hon. Mansur Manu Soro and Hon. Khadija Bukar A. Ibrahim and 4 Others) –Second Reading.
- **10.** A Bill for an Act to Provide for Establishment of Federal College of Nursing and Midwifery, Zaki Biam, Ukum, Benue State; and for Related Matters (HB.1843) (*Hon. Richard Gbande*) *Second Reading*.

MOTIONS

11. Need to Investigate the Perimeter Fencing of the Abuja-Kaduna Rail Lines: Hon. Zakaria Dauda Nyampa:

The House:

Notes that Railway is one of the oldest and most efficient means for transporting passengers and cargoes across the world:

Also notes that the Railways in Nigeria have, for many decades, suffered severe neglect, but the rail projects recently embarked upon by the Federal Government will contribute significantly to easing the movement of persons and goods across the country;

Aware that the Abuja-Kaduna Railway is a standard gauge that runs through nine Stations from Idu Station to Kuchibon, Asham, Jere, Gidan, Rijana, Dutse, Kakau and terminates at Rigasa in Kaduna;

Also aware of the need to provide perimeter fencing to avoid accidents that could arise from human beings or animals crossing rail tracks and install a digital security system to enable the operators to know when there is an impact on the rail, and consequently get the needed help;

Concerned that the operators have been having a running battle with communities surrounding the rail lines, particularly herdsmen, some of whose cattle that strayed into the rail tracks were crushed by a moving train;

Also concerned that an inexperienced train driver could easily be frightened and confused in such situations, and in the process of trying to avoid the cattle may derail, which could be extremely disastrous;

Recalls that the rail line, which is the first commercial standard gauge train service in Nigeria, was built by China Civil Engineering Construction Company (CCECC) from a \$500 million concessionary loan from China Exim Bank scheduled to finance 85 percent of the project while the remaining 15 percent was a counterpart funding of Nigeria;

Regrets that despite the inclusion of a perimeter fencing in the scope of work, the dominant challenge on the service is vandalization of equipment and facilities, thus constituting security and safety threats;

Cognizant that if the Perimeter Fencing project is completed, it will not only improve efficiency and effectiveness in the transportation system but also reduce pressure on the nation's roads and curtail fatal accidents;

Resolves to:

- (i) Urge the Federal Government to increase the number of security personnel stationed along the Abuja-Kaduna Railway as well as increase surveillance and intelligence gathering in the surrounding areas;
- (ii) mandate the Committee on Land Transport to investigate the extent to which the variation to accommodate the perimeter fencing of the rail lines was carried out and the level of implementation and report back within four (4) weeks for further legislative action.

12. Need to Relocate Customs Land Border Road Check Point, Idiroko to an Accurate 20 Kilometers Away: Hon. Kolawole Lawal:

The House:

Notes that on November 6, 2019, the Comptroller General of the Nigeria Customs Service issued a directive banning the discharge of petroleum products in any filling station within 20 kilometers to any land border in Nigeria;

Also notes that since the directive, all the land borders in the country have complied with the directive, including Idiroko land border in Ogun State;

Aware that the 20 kilometers from the land border, in the case of Idiroko land border area in Ogun state, erroneously terminates at Ajilete Community in Ipokia Local Government Area;

Cognizant that the accurate distance of 20 kilometers from the Idiroko land border terminates at Ihunbo community, thus the checkpoint should be stationed accordingly;

Concerned that the closure of the land border at Idiroko has caused untold hardships for the people as they are unable to freely conduct their regular businesses at the border to earn a living;

Worried that the personnel of the Border Drill Unit who are charged with the responsibility to enforce the directive, in violation of the circular which is specific about petroleum products, are preventing the residents from transporting other commodities like biscuits, cement, soft drinks and other consumables beyond Ajilete checkpoint;

Resolves to:

- (i) Urge the Nigeria Customs Service to adhere to the accurately measured 20 kilometers from Idiroko border at Ihunbo Community, Ipokia Local Government Area of Ogun State;
- (ii) also urge the Nigeria Customs Service to allow non-petroleum commodities like biscuits, cement, soft drinks, and other consumables to go beyond 20 kilometers from the border so that the people can conduct their legitimate businesses with ease;
- (iii) further urge the Federal Government to provide palliatives to the border communities in Ogun State and other border communities across the country to ameliorate the sufferings caused by the continued closure of the land borders:
- (iv) mandate the Committees on Customs and Excise and Special Duties to ensure compliance.

13. Call to Encourage the Importation and Use of Low Energy Consuming Appliances: Hon. Rotimi Agunsoye:

The House:

Notes that energy-efficient appliances help prevent greenhouse emissions and protect the environment as most households use appliances such as televisions, refrigerators, sound systems, computers, ovens, bulbs, air conditioners, and washing machines;

Also notes that countries across the world are using energy-efficient appliances, which is critical to economic development as well as environmental sustainability;

Concerned that households in Nigeria still use incandescent bulbs with high voltage, which are very expensive and generate too much heat;

Aware that in some households the incandescent bulbs have been replaced with light-emitting diodes (LED) bulbs, which are up to ninety percent more efficient than incandescent bulbs;

Observes that the crisis in the country's power sector will persist if a decisive approach is not employed at controlling domestic, commercial and industrial usage through adopting more efficient means to reduce energy consumption;

Cognizant that using energy-efficient appliances and equipment minimizes the exploitation of natural resources such as natural gas, coal, water, diesel, petrol, etc., and serves to enhance the conservation of these resources as a way of achieving sustainable development;

Disturbed that as other countries have stopped the use of high consuming appliances and equipment, Nigeria has become a dumping ground for such items which come at a considerably cheap price;

Cognizant that the continued importation of non-energy efficient products will impact negatively on the economic stability of the country;

Resolves to:

- (i) Urge the Federal Ministry of Power and the Standards Organisation of Nigeria (SON) to immediately establish a sustainable policy aimed at phasing out non-energy efficient appliances or equipment for domestic, commercial and industrial usage;
- (ii) mandate the Committees on Power and Industry to ensure compliance and report back within four (4) weeks for further legislative action.

14. Call on the Central Bank of Nigeria to Reinforce the Use of Coins as a Legal Tender in Nigeria: Hon. Muda Lawal Umar:

The House:

Notes that on February 28, 2007, as part of the economic reforms under the former Governor of the Central Bank of Nigeria, Sanusi Lamido Sanusi, ₩50, №20, №10 and №5 banknotes were reissued with new designs as well as the coining of №1 and 50 kobo, while a new №2 coin was introduced;

Also notes that despite the huge budgetary sum that was expended by the Federal Government in the production of coins as part of the legal tender, the said coins seem to be extinct at the moment;

Observes that the day to day business transactions of ordinary Nigerians have been significantly affected as the lack of coins and other lower denominations have resulted in prices being summed up to the nearest Naira equivalent, a situation that can best be described as inflation in economic terms;

Worried that while other countries make use of coins for their daily financial transactions, the Nigerian coins comprising 50kobo, \aleph 1 and \aleph 2 have not been fully utilized in that regard;

Believes that injecting low denominations and coins into the economy will go a long way in curbing price inflation and stabilizing the economy;

Resolves to:

- (i) Urge the Central Bank of Nigeria to reinforce the use of coins as a legal tender and ensure that Banks comply with the use of coins to the fullest;
- (ii) mandate the Committee on Banking and Currency to ensure compliance.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

- 15. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Orthopaedic Hospitals Management Board Act, Cap. O10, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Establish the Orthopaedic Hospital, Dekina, Kogi State; and for Related Matters (HB. 1463) (Senate) (Leader) Committee of the Whole: 3/3/2022.
- **16.** A Bill for an Act to Establish Federal Capital Territory Satellite Towns Development Agency; and for Related Matters (HB. 43) *Committee of the Whole:* 24/2/2022.

17. Committee on Petroleum Resources (Downstream) Hon. Abdullahi Mahmud Gaya:

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Petroleum Resources (Downstream) on the Need to Investigate the Importation and Distribution of Adulterated Premium Motor Spirit (PMS) into Nigeria and approve the recommendations therein" (HR.47/02/2022) (*Laid:* 16/3/2022).

- (i) that due to the sudden withdrawal of the Methanol-Blended PMS from distribution under the quarantine measures emplaced by Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC), and the subsequent supply gap and distribution challenges created, NNPC should be fast in restoring the stability of PMS supply and distribution across the country;
- (ii) that the ongoing effort towards restoring Premium Motor Spirit supply and distribution, the Committee certified PMS stock which is about 2.3 billion liters safe for use in vehicles and other machines. This exercise should be fast and everything should be completed before the end of February 2022;
- (iii) that NNPC in conjunction with Nigerian Midstream and Downstream Petroleum Regulatory Authority (NMDPRA) should undertake the recertification and revalidation of in-country volumes for immediate releases to market;
- (iv) that to accelerate distribution, NNPC must commence 24-Hours operation at its Depots and retail outlets;
- (v) that Major Oil Marketers Association of Nigeria (MOMAN), Deport Owners Petroleum Products Marketers Association of Nigeria (DAPPMAN), and the Independent Petroleum Marketers Association of Nigeria (IPMAN) should commence 24 Hours wading and dispensing activities in some of their designated outlets;
- (vi) that the Nigerian National Petroleum Limited (NNPC) Monitoring team in collaboration with Nigerian Midstream and Downstream Petroleum Regulatory Authority (NMDPRA) and security agencies should ensure smooth distribution of PMS nationwide.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

S/N	Committee(s)	Date	Time	Venue
1.	Rules and Business	Tuesday 22 March 2022	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 (White House) Assembly Complex
2.	Public Petitions (Investigative Hearing)	Tuesday 22 March 2022	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 429 (New Building) Assembly Complex
3.	Federal Character (with Federal Institute of Industrial Research Oshodi (FIIRO))	Tuesday 22 March 2022	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 247 (New Building) Assembly Complex
4.	Ad-hoc Committee on the Skyrocketing Prices of Commodities, Goods and Services	Tuesday 22 March 2022	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 344 (New Building) Assembly Complex