



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA ORDER PAPER

Tuesday 20 September, 2022

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ORDERS OF THE DAY BILLS

1. **Consolidation of Bills:**
 - (a) A Bill for an Act to Amend the National Environmental Standards and Regulations Enforcement Agency Act; and for Related Matters (HB. 622) (*Hon. Abbas Tajudeen*);
 - (b) A Bill for an Act to Amend the National Environmental Standards and Regulations Enforcement Agency Act No. 92, 2007; and for Related Matters (HB. 1123) (*Hon. Abubakar Yahya Kusada*);
and
 - (c) A Bill for an Act to Amend the National Environmental Standards and Regulations Enforcement Agency Act, 2007; and for Related Matters (HB.2055) (*Hon. Samson Okwu*).
2. A Bill for an Act to Establish Federal College of Agriculture, Etim Ekpo, Akwa Ibom State to Provide Full-Time Courses leading to the Award of Certificates, Diploma and Higher National Diploma in Agriculture and Allied Field and be responsible for the Due Administration of the College; and for Related Matters (HB. 1676) (*Hon. Aniekan Umanah*) – *Second Reading*.

3. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Minerals and Mining Act, Cap. M12, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to encourage further Domestic and Foreign Investments in the Solid Mineral Subsector; and for Related Matters (HB.2033) (*Hon. Chisom Promise Dike*) – *Second Reading*.
4. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Oaths Act, Cap. O1, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and Enact the Oaths Bill to take cognizance of Technological Advancements and make Provisions for Digital and Electronic means of Administering Oaths and Affirmations in Nigeria; and for Related Matters (HB.2018) (*Hon. Ifeanyi Chudy Momah and Hon. Ugonna Ozurigbo*) – *Second Reading*.

MOTIONS

5. Discharge of Committees on Referrals on Bills, Pursuant to Order Seventeen, Rule 3 (g) of the Standing Orders of the House of Representatives:

Hon. Abubakar Hassan Fulata:

The House:

Notes that the following Bills were read a Second time separately between 2015 and 2016 and referred to Committees of the House for legislative actions, namely:

S/N	Title	Date of Referral	Committee
1.	Nigerian Local Content Development and Enforcement Bill, 2020(HB. 837)	19/5/2020	Nigeria Local Content Development and Monitoring
2.	North East Development Commission Act (Amendment) Bill, 2020(HB.1152)	22/3/2020	North East Development Commission
3.	Armed Forces Act (Amendment) Bill, 2021(HB. 1405)	14/7/2021	Defence
4.	Police Act (Amendment) Bill, 2021(HB. 1406)	14/7/2021	Police Affairs
5.	Economic and Financial Crimes Commission Act (Amendment) Bill, 2021 (HB. 1409)	14/7/2021	Financial Crimes
6.	Corrupt Practices and Other Related Offences Act (Amendment) Bill, 2021 (HB. 1410)	14/7/2021	Anti-Corruption
7.	Federal Capital Territory Outdoor Signage and Advertisement Agency Bill, 2021(HB. 1232)	4/5/2021	Federal Capital Territory
8.	Chartered Institute of Mentoring and Coaching (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (HB. 1501)	17/11/2021	Tertiary Education and Services

Aware that the Committees are yet to present a report on the Bills, contrary to the provisions of Order Seventeen, Rule 3 (g) of the Standing Orders of the House of Representatives, to wit:

“Any matter referred to any Committee shall be treated within 30 days, otherwise the Committee shall stand discharged after 60 days and the matter committed to the Committee of the Whole for consideration.”

Resolves to:

Discharge the above-mentioned Committees from the Bills referred to it and commit same to the Committee of the Whole for consideration.

6. Re-Committal of Bills

Hon. Abubakar Hassan Fulata

The House:

Recalls that the following Bills were passed by the National Assembly and transmitted to the President,

- (i)* Federal Medical Centres (Establishment) Bill, 2019 (HB. 182);
- (ii)* Nigerian Safety Investigation Bureau (Establishment) Bill, 2019 (HB. 465);
- (iii)* Federal Airports Authority of Nigeria Bill, 2019 (HB. 461)

Observes that some fundamental issues which require fresh legislative action emerged after critical analysis of the Bills;

Resolves to:

rescind its decision on the Bills as passed and commit same to the Committee of the Whole for reconsideration.

7. Need to include Igbo-Ora in the List of World Heritage Centre to United Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO):

Hon. Muraina Saubana Ajibola:

The House:

Notes that about 1.6 million twins are born annually in the world which translates to a rate of 13.1 twins per 1000 births;

Also notes that research reveals that Yorubaland which includes Nigeria Southwest, parts of the Republics of Benin and Togo, is the leading ethnic group across the globe for twin births, with an annual twinning rate of 40.2 twins per 1000 births;

Aware that Igbo-Ora, a town in Ibarapa axis of Oyo State in the Southwest has the highest annual twinning rates in the world, with an annual twinning rate of 50 twins per 1000 births;

Also aware that the child mortality rate in Nigeria fluctuates between 201 deaths per 1000 births in 1990 to 58.2 deaths per 1000 births in 2021, which implies that the actual twinning rates in Igbo-Ora would be higher than the figure quoted above;

Worried that despite attempts by researchers to discover the cause of the uncommon high twinning rate recorded in Igbo-Ora no researcher has been able to discover the cause of the twinning rate, a natural birth phenomenon in Igbo-Ora despite the different attempts;

Believes that a successful revelation of this hidden world secret may be key to the survival of the human race in the future and be handy in solving fertility issues in the world;

Disappointed that though the world has informally acknowledged Igbo-Ora as the World's capital of twins, it has failed to accord the town the status of World Heritage Centre;

Cognizant that the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) recognises, Sukur Cultural Landscape, Adamawa State, Osun-Osogbo Sacred Grove, Osun State, Oban Hills, Cross River State, Oke-Idanre Hill, Ondo State, Ogbunike Caves, Anambra State, Alokikom Monoliths, Cross River State, Ancient Kano Walls, Kano State, Gashaka-Gumti National Park, Taraba State, Arochuku Long Juju Slave Route, Abia State, and Surame Cultural Landscape/ Sokoto State as the 10 World Heritage Sites in Nigeria but only Osun-Osogbo Sacred Groove and Sukur Cultural Landscape have been accorded the Status of World Heritage Centers by UNESCO;

Convinced that if Igbo-Ora is accorded the status of World Heritage Centre, the town shall gain instant international recognition, attract tourists to Nigeria and connects the town to the UNESCO network and partners, and positive media coverage to Nigeria;

Also convinced that Igbo-Ora, being the World's Twins Capital, is eminently qualified to be declared a World Heritage Centre, based on the existing UNESCO criteria for identifying such centres;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge the Federal Government of Nigeria to include Igbo-Ora town in Oyo state on the Tentative List of UNESCO World Heritage Centres;
- (ii) also urge the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) to accord Igbo Ora town being the World Twins Capital the status of World Heritage Centre;
- (iii) mandate the Committees on Information, National Orientation, Ethics and Values, Culture and Tourism, and Legislative Compliance to liaise with the Ministries of Information and National Orientation and Culture and Tourism to ensure compliance.

8. Need to Curb the Incessant and unruly Behaviour of Touts Operating on Major Highways in Nigeria:
Hon. Lanre Edun:

The House:

Notes that the road is the major mode of transportation in Nigeria and it accounts for more than 90 percent of sub-sectors contribution to the country's Gross Domestic Product (GDP);

Aware that transportation is an essential part of human activity which is the basis of socio-economic interactions and that no two locations will interact effectively without a viable means of movement;

Also notes the increase in the number of touts and their nefarious activities on the major high way in the Country;

Worried that these touts have recently expanded their activities by positioning themselves at various locations on highways and bus stops to arrest commercial drivers, tricycle and motorcycle operators and forcefully extort money from them;

Also worried that most touts are under the influence of alcohol and hard drugs and often resort to violence in dealing with transport operators as well as private car users on the bus stops and highways;

Cognizant of the need to reform the transportation sector to end the activities of touts on the highways in the guise of transport union representatives to carry out illegal activities that have become a huge burden to the populace;

Observes that governments across the country are not unaware of the notorious activities of motto park touts also known as 'Agbero' and had proscribed their anti-social activities in spite of this, it is baffling that rather than diminish, their nefarious activities have continued to be on the increased;

Further worried that commercial vehicle drivers are often victims of touts who are equally members of transport unions thus, increasing the cost of transportation, an average commercial bus plying Nigerian road remit cash to touts on a daily, while drivers who default are either beaten or have their vehicles impounded;

Concerned about the alleged involvement of some law enforcement agencies with touts which undermines efforts towards tackling the menace of Agberos in the country;

Cognizant of the need to address the continuous harassment and intimidation of commuters by touts on Nigerian highways to end threats to road users nationwide and for relevant security agencies to monitor the activities of transport unions to prevent clashes between touts (Agberos) and transport operatives;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge governments at various levels to take proactive measures in checking the lawlessness of touts (Agberos) on the Nigerian roads;
- (ii) also urge the Federal Ministry of Transport and other relevant authorities to set in motion measures to rid the Highways of touts (Agberos);
- (iii) further urge the Nigeria Police Force and other security agencies to arrest and prosecute any erring Agberos;
- (iv) set up an *Ad-hoc* Committee to investigate the nefarious activities of touts in some states including the FCT and report back within four (4).

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

9. A Bill for an Act to Provide for Establishment of Federal Medical Centres; and for Related Matters (HB. 182) – *Committee of the Whole: 20/9/2022.*
10. A Bill for an Act to Provide for Establishment of Nigerian Safety Investigative Bureau for the Regulation, Prevention and Providing Effective Administration for Safety Investigation in Nigeria; and for Related Matters (HB. 465) – *Committee of the Whole: 20/9/2022.*
11. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Federal Airports Authority of Nigeria Act, Cap. F5, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and Enact the Federal Airports Authority of Nigeria Bill to Provide for the Effective Management of Airports in Nigeria; and for Related Matters (HB. 461) – *Committee of the Whole: 20/9/2022.*

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

S/N	Committee(s)	Date	Time	Venue
1.	Rules and Business	Tuesday, 20 September 2022	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 (White House) Assembly Complex
2.	<i>Ad-hoc</i> Committee on the Need to Investigate the Structure and Accountability of the Joint Venture (JV) Businesses and Production Sharing Contracts (PSC) of the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation from 1990 Till Date	Tuesday, 20 September 2022	1.00 a.m.	Committee Room 236 (New Building) Assembly Complex
3.	Public Petitions (<i>Investigative Hearing</i>)	Tuesday, 20 September 2022	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 429 (New Building) Assembly Complex