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PRESENTATION OF BILLS

- 1. National Agricultural Programme Coordination Agency (Establishment) Bill, 2024 (HB.1201) (Hon. Afam Ogene) First Reading.
- 2. National Institute for Vocational and Technical Education, Makera, Kaduna South, Kaduna State (Establishment) Bill, 2024 (HB.1203) (*Hon. Abdulkarim Hussain Ahmed*) *First Reading*.
- **3.** National Institute for Construction Technology and Management, Eziohnum, Delta State (Establishment) Bill, 2024 (HB.1332) (*Hon. Nnamdi Ezechi*) *First Reading*.
- 4. Federal College of Entrepreneurship and Skills Acquisition, Ossisa, Ndokwa East LGA, Delta State (Establishment) Bill, 2024 (HB.1333) (*Hon. Nnamdi Ezechi*) *First Reading*
- 5. Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (Sixth Alteration) Bill, 2024 (Creation of Additional Local Government Council in Lagos State) (HB.1866) (Hon. Dolapo-Badru Enitan and 19 Others) First Reading.

- 6. Nigerian Minerals and Mining Act (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (HB.1870) (Hon. Olusoji Abidemi Adetunji) First Reading.
- 7. Federal Medical Centres Act (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (HB.1871) (Hon. Emmanuel Omirin) First Reading.
- 8. Federal College of Entrepreneurship and Skills Acquisition, Gamawa, Bauchi State (Establishment) Bill, 2024 (HB.1872) (*Hon. Adamu Ibrahim Gamawa*) *First Reading*.
- 9. Essential Drugs, Therapeutic Medical Devices and Hospital Consumables Provision, Management and Utilization Bill, 2024 (HB.1873) (*Hon. Adamu Ibrahim Gamawa*) *First Reading*.
- **10.** National Grassland and Forage/Fodder Production Research Institute, Guma–Gamawa, Bauchi State (Establishment) Bill, 2024 (HB.1875) (*Hon. Adamu Ibrahim Gamawa*) *First Reading*.
- **11.** Federal Vocational and Skills Acquisition College Ilaro, Ogun State (Establishment) Bill, 2024 (HB.1827) (*Hon. Abiodun Isiaq Akinlade*) *First Reading*.
- 12. National Mathematical Centre Act (Repeal and Enactment) Bill, 2024 (HB.1833) (Hon. Mark B. Useni) First Reading.
- **13.** Code of Conduct Bureau and Tribunal Act (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (HB.1894) (*Hon. Isah Bello Ambarura*) *First* Reading.
- 14. Electoral Act (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (HB.1861) (Hon. Adebayo Balogun) First Reading.
- **15.** Federal University of Technology, Enugu (Establishment) Bill, 2024 (HB.1909) (*Hon. Abbas Tajudeen*) *First Reading*.
- 16. Federal University of Technology, Yaba (Establishment) Bill, 2024 (HB.1910) (*Hon. Abbas Tajudeen*) *First Reading*.
- 17. South East Development Commission Act (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (SB.568) (Senate) First Reading.
- 18. North West Development Commission Act (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (SB.567) (Senate) First Reading.
- **19.** Federal University of Applied Sciences, Kachia, Kaduna State (Establishment) Bill, 2024 (SB.13) (*Senate*) *First Reading.*
- **20.** Federal Capital Territory (FCT) Scholarship Board (Establishment) Bill, 2024 (HB.1844) (*Hon. Abdulrahaman Ajiya*) *First Reading*.

PRESENTATION OF REPORTS

1. Committee on Nigerian Content Development and Monitoring: Hon. Boma Goodhead:

"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Nigerian Content Development and Monitoring on a Bill for an Act to Repeal the Nigerian Oil and Gas Industry Content Act No. 2, 2010 and Enact the Nigerian Oil and Gas Industry Content Act to Establish Nigerian Content Development and Monitoring Board and to provide for Legal Framework, Structures and Programmes for the Strengthening of Nigerian Content in the Nigerian Oil and Gas Industry and for Related Matters (HB.1039)" (*Referred: 8/2/2024*)

2. Committee on Nigerian Content Development and Monitoring: Hon. Boma Goodhead:

"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Nigerian Content Development and Monitoring on a Bill for an Act to Enact the Nigerian Content (Non - Oil and Gas Sector) Development Bill, to Establish Nigerian Content (Non-Oil and Gas Sector) Development Council and to provide for

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Programme Structure for the use of Nigerian Expertise, Made-in-Nigeria Goods and Services, Economic Diversification and for Related Matters (HB. 59) (*Referred: 2/11/2024*)

3. Committee on Specialty Healthcare: Hon. Alex Egbona:

"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Specialty Healthcare on a Bill for an Act to Amend the Orthopedic Hospitals Management Board Act, Cap. O10, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Provide for Establishment of Orthopedic Hospital, Billiri, Gombe State to be Affiliated to Federal Teaching Hospital Gombe and for Related Matters (HB.1277) – (*Referred: 17/7/2024*).

BILLS

1. Consolidation of Bill:

- (a) A Bill for an Act to Amend the National Office for Technology Acquisition and Promotion (NOTAP) Act to Change the Use of the Word National Interest to Public Benefit and to Increase the Period Provided for a term of Contract as Prerequisite for Registration of the Document under this Act from 10 years to 20 years and for Related Matters (HB.1788) (*Hon. Ngozi Okolie*); and
- (b) A Bill for an Act to Amend the National Office for Technology Acquisition and Promotion Act, Cap. N62, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004, to strengthen the capacity of the National Office for Technology Acquisition and Promotion to Monitor, on a continual basis, the transfer of Foreign Technology to Nigeria, to encourage, regulate, and commercialize Inventions, Innovations and Research and Development Results more effectively and ensure enhances and diversified Representation in its governance for broader sectorial coverage and for Related matters (HB. 1846) (Hon. Tijjani Zanna Zakariya).
- 2. A Bill for an Act to Alter the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria Cap. C23, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria 2004 to Provide Voting Rights for Nigerians in Diaspora and for Related Matters (HB. 1530) (*Hon. Abbas Tajudeen and Hon. Sadiq Ango Abudllahi*) Second Reading.
- **3.** A Bill for an Act to Amend the Federal High Court Act, Cap F12, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 (as amended) to Provide for increase in the Number of Judges of the Court; to Provide for the Retention of Revenue Generated by the Court and for Related Matters (HB.1634) (*Hon. Benjamin Okezie Kalu and seven others*) *Second Reading*.
- **4.** A Bill for an Act to Provide for Establishment of Federal College of Education (Technical) Ile-Ife, Osun State and for Related Matters (HB.438) (*Hon. Ajilesoro Taofeek Abimbola)- Second Reading.*
- 5. A Bill for an Act to Establish Federal College of Entrepreneurship and Skills Acquisition, Illela, Sokoto State, to Provide Full-Time Courses, Teaching Instruction and Training in Technology, Applied Science, Arts, Social Sciences, Humanities and Management; and for Related Matters (HB. 927) (*Hon. Isah Bello Ambarura)-Second Reading*.
- 6. A Bill for an Act to Establish Federal College of Nursing and Midwifery, Kaugama, Jigawa State to provide Training and Research in General Nursing Midwifery and other Specialties of Nursing and for Related Matters (HB. 1792) (*Hon. Abubakar Makki Yalleman*) *Second Reading*.

MOTIONS

7. Outstanding Bills from Preceding Assembly: Hon. Francis E. Waive:

- (i) Merchant Shipping Act (Amendment) Bill, 2024(HB.1592);
- (ii) Coastal and Inland Shipping (Cabotage) Act (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (HB.1593);
- (iii) Nigerian Maritime Administration and Safety Agency Bill, 2024 (HB.1594);

(v) Federal University, Birinin Kebbi, Kebbi State (Establishment) Bill, 2024 (HB. 1780)

Notes that pursuant to Order Twelve, Rule 17 of the Standing Orders, the House may, upon being re-gazetted or circulated, reconsider in the Committee of the Whole, without commencing de-novo, the Bill(s)–

- (a) whose report was presented by the Committee before consideration;
- (*b*) passed by the House and forwarded to the Senate for concurrence for which no concurrence was made or negative;
- (c) passed by the Senate and forwarded to the House for which no concurrence was made or negative; or;
- (*d*) passed by the preceding Assembly and forwarded to the President for assent but for which assent or withholding therefore was not communicated before the end of the tenure of the preceding Assembly.

Also notes that the aforementioned Bills were passed by the preceding Assembly and forwarded to the President for assent but for which assent or withholding thereof was not communicated before the end of the tenure of the last Assembly;

Aware that the Bills were read for the first time as HBs. 1592, 1593, 1594, 1855 and 1780 respectively;

Resolves to:

Re-commit the Bills to the Committee of the Whole for consideration.

8. Need to Implement Verifiable Documentation of Point of Sale (POS) Users' and Fund Recipients' Identities in Nigeria: Hon. John Okafor:

The House

Notes the increasing challenges posed by the undocumented identities of Point of Sale (POS) users and fund recipients in Nigeria, leading to opportunities for fraudulent activities within the financial system and the necessity to combat such illicit practices and safeguard the integrity of financial transactions within Nigeria;

Aware that undocumented POS transactions from both parties identities create a loophole for fraudulent activities, such as identity theft, money laundering, and unauthorised transactions. Also, by enforcing the documentation of users' identities, the incidence of fraud will significantly reduce and the security of financial transactions in Nigeria will be enhanced.

Also aware that proper documentation of POS users' identities fosters accountability among operators and users. This transparency will help trace transactions back to the individuals involved, holding them accountable for illegal activities conducted through the POS system, and ensure a lasting end to the criminal use of POS.

Worried that there is an obvious regulatory bias and enforcement challenge towards due process by the relevant regulatory bodies and the urgency for immediate intervention to avert this ugly situation and shield Nigerians from the hands of criminalities through the use of the POS system;

Also aware that establishing a system for verifiable documentation of POS users' and recipients' identities aligns with the national and international financial regulatory requirements with the objective of preventing financial crimes and ensuring compliance with anti-money laundering (AML) and know your customer (KYC) regulations;

Cognizant that implementing stringent identity verification measures will protect consumers and businesses from becoming vulnerable to fraudulent schemes carried out through POS transactions.

Additionally, the process will build trust in the financial system and encourage greater participation in the growing cashless transactions system in Nigeria.

Resolve to:

mandate the Committees on Digital and Electronic Banking, Finance, Banking Regulations, and Financial Crimes to invite the Governor of the Central Bank of Nigeria and the Group Managing Directors (GMDs) of all Commercial Banks and Other Financial Institutions utilizing POS services to appear before the Committees and find immediate and lasting measures to address this challenge and report back within four (4) legislative weeks.

9. Breaches and other Infractions of some Federal Government Institutions on Insurance and Actuarial Matters Using Forensic Audit: Hon. Sulaiman Abubakar Gumi:

The House:

Notes that Section 88 of the 1999 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria (as amended) is not restrictive of any method/approach within the confines of the law for committees to carry out oversight functions;

Also notes that while the conventional insurance is struggling with outdated insurance laws, there is a dearth of professional loss adjusters and irregular payment of loss adjusters fees, Non-remittance of premium, especially to reinsurers, Lack of innovation, inconsistent government policies, lack of cooperation within the insurance industry, and poor governance issues in the industry Weak regulatory bodies as a result of moribund laws, Low market penetration and lack of trust from the insuring public; the deposit insurance suffers from ineffective supervision, leading to the failure of many banks, especially microfinance banks; challenges related to asset disposal; inadequate legal and regulatory framework; failure to collaborate effectively with CBN and AMCON to secure financial stability in the Nigerian economy; and the cumbersome process of failure resolution and reimbursement of depositors.

Aware that over \$1 billion that should have been retained in Nigeria if all insurance practitioners are given the option of the right of first refusal (insurance being more about risk bearing and sharing) is being taken abroad, which affects the nation's economy, thereby always weakening our insurance sector and depleting our foreign reserve;

Also aware that these breaches and infractions have given rise to excessive cession and retrocession of businesses in breach of the Local Content Act to the extent that 90% of the risks of some federal government organizations are placed outside the country;

Concerned that non-transparency and lack of accountability in insurance practice in Nigeria today have resulted in over 30 naira unsettled claims in the group life insurances of the Nigeria Police Force, Head of Service (for Federal Civil Servants), and Ministry of Defence (for the Nigerian Armed Forces) because of no actuarial valuation, no gap analysis, and non-compliance with Section 57 of the Insurance Act, 2023, and Section 4, Subsection 5 of the Pension Reform Act, 2014, among other factors;

Also concerned that the resultant effect of the above has led millions of families of the deceased Federal Government personnel that are the beneficiaries suffering because they were not paid the entitlement of their breadwinners; when paid, in some cases, unallowed deductions are made, thereby shortchanging them;

Worried that the Committee on Insurance and Actuarial Matters letters to the MDAs, like NEMA, NPA, and NNPC, for either documents to enable oversight or appear before the Committee to address these issues are being treated with ignominy to the extent that it will soon become the rules rather than the

exceptions that will negatively impact the overall oversight functions of the House of Representatives, if not nipped in the bud;

Also worried that there are huge unsettled life claims in Nigeria due to the fact that the premiums meant for payment were suspected to have been squandered by some insurance companies and a few individuals, and it is only a forensic auditor that will unravel this.

Resolves to:

mandates the Committee on Insurance and Actuarial Matters to conduct an investigation using forensic auditors, where necessary, and report back within four (4) weeks for further legislative action.

10. Rehabilitation of Idofian-Fufu-Lajiki-Oke-Oyi Link Road in Ifelodun, Ilorin South/East Local Government Area of Kwara State: Hon. Aluko Ahmed Yinka:

The House:

Notes that the Idofian, Fufu, Lajiki, and Oke-Oyi communities in Ifelodun, Ilorin South, and Ilorin East Local Government Areas of Kwara State play a vital role in the state's agricultural production, contributing about 26% of over 500,000 metric tonnes of food supply annually, including tubers, grains, vegetables and livestock;

Also notes the historical importance of the 27 km Idofian-Fufu-lajiki-Oke-Oyi link road, which has existed for over a century, comprising Idofian to Fufu (8 km), Fufu to Lajiki (7 km), and Lajiki to Oke-Oyi (12 km)—with the last major repairs done in 1980;

Aware that the residents in the communities along this route have been discouraged from engaging in agriculture and have turned to alternative, often perilous activities as a consequence of the deteriorated condition of this road, which was originally intended to facilitate the transportation of their agricultural products to urban areas;

Worried that the current deplorable state of the road has led to over 200 reported accidents in one year alone, causing loss of lives and impediment to socio-economic activities;

Concerned that the dilapidated state of the road has led to violent crimes, including kidnappings, endangering thousands of rural inhabitants and farmers who rely on the route. The deplorable conditions pose grave danger to motorists and farmers attempting to transport agricultural produce to markets;

Observes that this strategic road provides a lifeline for several communities, serving schools and the Remedial College of the University of Ilorin, a Federal Tertiary Institution;

Also observes that the rise in the price of foodstuff can be attributed to the extra costs of transporting goods to the markets, these communities play a great part in feeding the nation, as Kwara State is amongst the foremost agricultural-producing states in the country;

Cognizant of the need to urgently rehabilitate the roads to boost agricultural productivity, improve rural livelihoods, and enhance security across the affected regions;

Resolves to:

(*i*) urge the Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Food Security to rehabilitate the Idofian, Fufu, Lajiki and Oke-Oyi Federal Roads to facilitate the free and safe movement of agricultural produce and services;

- (*ii*) mandate the Committees on Rural Development, Federal Roads Maintenance Agency (FERMA) and Legislative Compliance to ensure compliance and report back within four weeks for further legislative action.
- 11. Need to Investigate the Activities of Anti –Corruption and Transparency Units (CTUs) in Ministries, Departments and Agencies of Government in the Country: Hon. Shehu Umar Ajilo:

The House

Recalls that the Independent Corrupt Practices and Other Related Offences Commission requested the establishment of an Anti-Corruption Transparency Unit, popularly referred to as ACTU, in all MDAs to help in the fight against corruption;

Notes that on October 2, 2001, and April 16, 2003, two circulars were issued for the establishment and funding of the units, respectively;

Also notes that another circular was issued on October 5, 2016, re-emphasizing both the establishment and funding of the units in all MDAs;

Further notes that the ACTUs in each organization are expected to operate as an autonomous outfit of which its independence and protection shall be guaranteed;

Aware that the unit is supposed to be the watchdog or an anti-corruption division saddled with the responsibility of monitoring the activities of Federal Government Ministries, Departments and Agencies and reporting any matter that is regarded as a corrupt practice to the ICPC for further action;

Worried that despite these circulars and efforts, corrupt practices still persist in most MDAs, and if not checked, corruption will continue forever;

Resolves to:

mandate the Committee on Anti-Corruption to investigate the activities of Anti-Corruption Transparency Units (ACTU) in all Ministries, Departments, and Agencies (MDAs) in the country and report within four (4) weeks for further legislative action.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

12. Committee on Health Institutions: Hon. Amos Gwamna Magaji:

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Health Institutions on a Bill for an Act to Amend the University Teaching Hospitals (Reconstitution of Boards, etc.) Act, Cap. U15, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and for Related Matters (HB.962) and approve the recommendations therein" (*Laid: 10/7/2024*).

13. Committee on Health Institutions: Hon. Amos Gwamna Magaji:

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Health Institutions on a Bill for an Act to Amend the Federal Medical Centres and Establish Federal Medical Centre, Kwale, Delta State and for Related Matters (HB. 680) and approve the recommendations therein" (*Laid: 17/7/2024*).

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

S/N	Committee	Date		Time	Venue
1.	Rules and Business	Tuesday 19 th No	ovember 2024	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 (White House) Assembly Complex
2.	Public Petitions (Investigative Hearing)	Tuesday 19 th No	ovember 2024	3.00 p.m.	Conference Room 429 (New Building) Assembly Complex