FOURTH REPUBLIC 10^H NATIONAL ASSEMBLY (2023–2027) SECOND SESSION NO. 160



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA ORDER PAPER

Tuesday, 6 May, 2025

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- 1. Nigerian Educational Research and Development Council Act (Amendment) Bill, 2025 (HB.2152) (Hon. Sada Soli) First Reading.
- 2. Counterfeit and Fake Drugs and Unwholesome Processed Foods and Drinks (Miscellaneous Provision) Act (Amendment) Bill, 2025 (HB.2153) (Hon Sada Soli) First Reading.
- 3. Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (Alteration) Bill, 2025 (transfer the item dealing with Public holidays from the Exclusive Legislative) (HB.2242) (Hon. Mukhtar Zakari Chawai) First Reading.
- **4.** National Bio-Technology Research Institute, Kauru, Kaduna State Bill, 2025 (HB.2244) (Hon. Mukhtar Zakari Chawai) First Reading
- 5. Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (Alteration) Bill, 2025 (Creation of Ughelli East Local Government Area in Delta State) (HB.2248) (Hon. Francis Ejiroghene Waive) First Reading.

- **6.** National Assembly Service Pension Board Act (Amendment) Bill, 2025 (HB.2240) (*Hon. Abbas Tajudeen*) *First Reading*.
- 7. Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (Sixth Alteration) Bill, 2025 (HB.2279) (*Hon. Julius Ihonvbere*) *First Reading*.
- **8.** Chartered Institute of Business Psychology of Nigeria (Establishment) Bill, 2025 (HB.2277) (*Hon. Daniel Asama Ago*) *First Reading*.
- **9.** Federal University of Allied Health Sciences, Bichi (Establishment) Bill, 2025 (HB.2278) (*Hon. Abubakar Kabir Bichi and Hon. Usman Bello Kumo*) *First Reading*.
- **10.** National Metallurgical Training Institute, Apomu (Establishment) Bill, 2025 (HB.2246) (*Hon. Lanre Omoleye Oladebo*) *First Reading*.
- 11. Institute of Vocational and Technical Studies, Aniocha, Delta State (Establishment) Bill, 2025. (HB.2142) (Hon. Ngozi Okolie) First Reading.
- **12.** Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (Sixth Alteration) Bill, 2025 (HB.2281) (*Hon. Julius Ihonvbere*) *First Reading*.
- **13.** Federal Universities of Technology Act (Amendment) Bill, 2025 (HB.2282) (*Hon. Abbas Tajudeen*) *First Reading*.
- **14.** Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (Sixth Alteration) Bill, 2025 (HB.2280) (*Hon. Julius Ihonvbere*) *First Reading*.
- **15.** Administration of Criminal Justice Act (Amendment) Bill, 2025 (HB.2262) (Hon Oladebo Lanre Omoleye) First Reading.
- **16.** Nigerian Youths Trust Fund (Establishment) Bill, 2025 (HB.2148) (Hon. Donald Ojogo) First Reading.
- **17.** Institute of Chartered Applied Information Management Professionals of Nigeria (Establishment) Bill, 2025 (HB.2215) (*Hon. Gaza Jonathan Gbefwi*) *First Reading*.
- **18.** National Groundnut Production, Processing and Research Institute, Kankia, Katsina State (Establishment) Bill, 2025 (HB.2250) (Hon. Abubakar Yahaya Kusada) First Reading.
- **19.** Bank Employees Etc (Declaration of Asset) Acts (Amendment) Bill, 2025 (HB.2259) (*Hon. Oladebo Lanre Omoleye*) *First Reading*.
- **20.** National Drug Law Enforcement Agency Acts (Amendment) Bill, 2025 (HB.2260) (*Hon. Oladebo Lanre Omoleye*) *First Reading*.

ORDERS OF THE DAY BILLS

- 1. A Bill for an Act to Provide the Legal Framework for the Establishment of Training Institutions of the Nigeria Police Force and for Related Matters (SB.470) (Leader) (Hon. Julius Ihonvbere, Owan Federal Constituency) Third Reading.
- 2. A Bill for an Act to Provide for the Establishment of the Federal University of Technology, Badagry, Lagos State and for Related Matters (HB. 1500) (*Leader*) (*Hon. Julius Ihonvbere, Owan Federal Constituency*) *Third Reading*.

- 3. A Bill for an Act to Amend the National Universities Commission Act, Cap. N81 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to expressly give the Commission Power to Regulate the Condition of Service and Procedure for the engagement of Academic Staff (other than Non-Academic Staff Member) on Part Time basis or Visiting Lectureship and for Related Matters (HB.01) (Hon. Abbas Tajudeen and Hon. Bello Isah Ambarura) Second Reading.
- **4.** A Bill for an Act to Amend the Agricultural Research Council of Nigeria, Cap A12, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Provide for the Establishment of Certain Specialized Colleges and for Related Matters (HB.1481) (Hon. Benjamin Okezie Kalu) Second Reading.
- 5. A Bill for an Act to Establish National Eye Centre, Doma, for the Prevention, Diagnosis and Treatment of Eye, Coordination of Research, Training of Specialist in Eye Diseases and other Supporting fields and for Related Matters (SB.193) (Senate) Second Reading.
- 6. A Bill for an Act to Amend the National Commission for Nomadic Education Act, Cap. N20, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to redefine the Concept of Nomadic Education to cover all categories of Nomads, Redefine the Learning Methods and use of relevant Teaching Aids and improve the Funding of the Commission and for Related Matters (HB.716) (Hon. Ibrahim Al-Mustapha Aliyu) Second Reading.
- 7. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Agricultural Research Council of Nigeria Act, Cap. A12, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Establish Federal College of Fisheries Technology and Maritime Studies, Ngo, River State and for Related Matters (HB.2189) (Hon. Awaji-Inombek D. Abiante) Second Reading.
- **8.** A Bill for an Act to Amend the Federal Colleges of Education Act, Cap. F8, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Provide for the Establishment of Federal College of Education (Technical) Ikom, Cross River State and for Related Matters (HB. 255) (*Hon. Victor Abang*) *Second Reading*.

MOTIONS

9. Investigation of Electricity Debts Owed by Security Agencies, Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs):

Hon. Fuad Kayode Laguda:

The House:

Notes that Security Agencies, Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs) of the Federal Government have accumulated substantial debts to Electricity Distribution Companies (Discos) across Nigeria;

Also notes that the Eko Electricity Distribution Company (EKEDC) reported a total outstanding debt of 144 billion naira, with Ministries, Departments and Agencies and the military owing 42 billion, naira;

Further notes that the Abuja Electricity Distribution Company (AEDC) is owed 47.1 billion, naira by eighty—six (86) MDAs, including significant amounts by prominent institutions such as the Presidential Villa, the Office of the National Security Adviser, and the Ministry of the Federal Capital Territory;

Aware that the Nigerian Electricity Regulatory Commission's 2023 report indicates that Discos recorded a bill collection efficiency of 73.65%, receiving 1.07 trillion, naira from customers out of a total invoice of I.4 trillion, naira leaving a shortfall of over 300 billion, naira;

Concerned that the continuous indebtedness of Security Agencies and MDAs to DISCOs adversely affects the operations of these companies, leading to inadequate maintenance and expansion of infrastructure, which in turn hampers the overall electricity supply to the populace;

Also concerned about the recent Lagos incidents where military personnel have reportedly attacked facilities and staff of DISCOs over power–related disputes;

Disturbed that on 14 March 2025, soldiers invaded EKEDC's Injection Substation in Badagry at 1:00 am, attacking and abducting staff over a power outage, earlier, on 6 March 2025, personnel from the Nigerian Air Force Base in Ikeja stormed the headquarters of Ikeja Electricity Distribution Company (IKEDC), attacking staff and journalists after the company disconnected power to the base over unpaid electricity bills amounting to 4.34 billion, naira;

Cognizant of the need to ensure that Security Agencies and Ministries, Departments and Agencies of government are financially responsible to pay up its utility to prevent future indebtedness;

Resolves to:

- (i) Set up an Ad-hoc Committee to:
 - (a) investigate the cause of accumulated electricity debts owed by Security Agencies and Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs) to DISCOs;
 - (b) assess the impact of indebtedness on the operations of DISCOs and the implications on electricity supply in the country and examine the payment processes between DISCOs and government entities; and
 - (c) Investigate the recent incidents involving the Ikeja military personnel and DISCOs, including the invasions of Eko Electricity Distribution Company (EKEDC) and Ikeja Electricity Distribution Company (IKEDC) facilities, and recommend measures and strategies for the timely settlement of outstanding debts to prevent future occurrences, and report within four (4) weeks for further legislative action.

10. Need to Check Fuel Importation and Strengthen Local Refining Capacity: Hon. Frederick Yeitiemone Agbedi:

The House:

Notes that the World Trade Organization (WTO) reported an 80.65% surge in Nigeria's import levels between 2017 and 2023, with oil sector imports contributing 38.3% to total imports, underscoring the need for a decisive policy shift;

Informed that the Nigerian Midstream and Downstream Petroleum Regulatory Authority (NMDPRA) recently announced that local refiners, including the 650,000 barrels per day by Dangote Refinery, were only able to meet 50% of the nation's consumption requirements in February 2025, necessitating further importation;

Also informed that the Executive Director of Distribution System, Storage, and Retailing Infrastructure of the NNPCL, Mr. Soneye, towed a similar line with NMDPRA, indicating that there was a 60% shortfall in January and February 2025 in the contribution of local refineries and advocating importation to make up for the shortfall;

Further informed that Aliko Dangote, president of the Dangote Group Limited, has publicly affirmed that his refinery has the capacity to meet Nigeria's petroleum needs, with over 600 million liters of petroleum products available for supply, thereby contradicting the claims of NMDPRA and NNPCL;

Concerned that despite claims of rehabilitation of the Port Harcourt and Warri refineries, Nigeria remained highly dependent on importation of fuel, thereby undermining national energy security and economic stability;

Cognizant that reducing fuel importation will create jobs, strengthen the naira, boost local industries, and ensure energy sufficiency by increasing local production, improving energy security, and diversifying Nigeria's energy mix;

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Resolves to:

- (i) urge the President to take decisive action to put an end to Nigeria's fuel importation and promote policies that will enhance local refining and national energy independence;
- (ii) also urge the NNPCL and NMDPRA to prioritize the off-take of locally refined petroleum products before resorting to importation;
- (iii) further urge the Federal Government to immediately review all import licenses for petroleum products where local production can meet domestic demand;
- (iv) Set up an Ad–hoc Committee to ascertain the inconsistencies in fuel supply data, the rationale behind continued fuel importation, and assess the economic and security implications of fuel importation, and report within four (4) weeks for further legislative action.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

- 11. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Merchant Shipping Act 2007 and Enact the Merchant Shipping Bill and for Related Matters (HB. 1592) (Leader) (Hon. Julius Ihonvbere, Owan Federal Constituency) Committee of the Whole: 20/11/2024.
- **12.** A Bill for an Act to Amend the Federal Medical Centres Act, 2022 to Provide for Establishment of the Federal Medical Centre, Dadin-Kowa, Kano State and for Related Matters (HB. 644) (*Leader*) (*Hon. Julius Ihonvbere, Owan Federal Constituency*) *Committee of the Whole:* 26/10/2023.
- 13. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Federal Colleges of Education Act, Cap. F8, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to make Provision for Establishment of the Federal College of Education, Tudun Wada Dankadai, Kano State and for Related Matters (HB. 645) (*Leader*) (*Hon. Julius Ihonvbere, Owan Federal Constituency*) Committee of the Whole: 26/10/2023.
- 14. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Federal University of Education, Numan Adamawa State and for Related Matters (HB. 936) (*Leader*) (*Hon. Julius Ihonvbere*) *Committee of the Whole: 19/3/2025*.

15. Committee on Science and Technology:

Hon. Zakariya Tijjani Zannah:

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Science and Technology on a Bill for an Act to Establish National Science, Technology, Innovation and Research Council to Set National Priorities on Research, Innovation and Development, to Improve Economic Growth and Competitiveness that can Lead to the Development of New Products, Processes, and Services, to Address Social and Environmental Challenges, to Improve the Quality of Life of People, to Create New Jobs and Opportunities and to Advance Knowledge and Understanding of Innovations; and for Related Matters (HB. 727) (*Laid: 17/12/2024*)

16. Committee on Public Procurement:

Hon. Unyime Idem.

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Procurement on a Bill for an Act to Amend the Chartered Institute of Purchasing and Supply Management of Nigeria Act, 2007 to be in tandem with what obtains in the Procurement Professional Practice across the Globe and for Related Matters (HB.346) and approve recommendations therein" (*Laid:* 6/2/2025).

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

S/N Committee Date Time Venue

1. Rules and Business Tuesday 6 May 2025 3.00 p.m. Committee

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2.	Public Petition	s (Investi	gative	Hearing)	Tuesday 6 May 2025	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 429 (New Building) Assembly Complex
3.	Internal Sec Assembly	ırity of	the	National	Tuesday 6 May 2025	3.00 p.m.	Meeting Room 112 (New Building) Assembly Complex