



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

ORDER PAPER

Wednesday 10 April, 2019

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PRESENTATION OF BILLS

1. Nigeria Chinese Language Village (Establishment) Bill, 2019 (HB. 1622) (*Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta*) – *First Reading*.
 2. Nigeria Linguistic Village (Establishment) Bill, 2019 (HB. 1621) (*Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta*) – *First Reading*.
 3. Federal Polytechnic, Langtang, Plateau State (Establishment, Etc.) Bill, 2019 (HB.1619) (*Senate*) – *First Reading*.
 4. Federal Polytechnic, Aba, Abia State Bill, 2019 (HB.1620) (*Senate*) – *First Reading*.
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PRESENTATION OF REPORTS

1. Committees on Finance, Appropriations, Aids, Loans and Debt Management, Legislative Budget and Research and National Planning and Economic Development:
Hon. Babangida Ibrahim:
“That the House do receive the Report of the Committees on Finance, Appropriations, Aids, Loans and Debt Management, Legislative Budget and Research and National Planning and Economic Development

on the 2019 – 2021 Medium Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF) and Fiscal Strategy Paper (FSP) (*Referred: 6/11/2018*) .

2. Committee on Tertiary Education and Services:

Hon. Aminu Suleiman:

“That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Tertiary Education and Services on a Bill for an Act to Amend the Tertiary Education Trust Fund Act, Cap. E4, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to include Colleges of Agriculture and Increase some Penalties and to include Tertiary/Teaching Hospitals and Private Universities as Beneficiaries of the Fund; and for Related Matters (HBs. 531, 620, and 868) (*Referred: 22/2/2017*).

3. Committee on Tertiary Education and Services:

Hon. Aminu Suleiman:

“That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Tertiary Education and Services on a Bill for an Act to Amend the University of Lagos Act, Cap. U9, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to specify the Minimum Qualification for 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. 1106) (*Referred: 26/10/2017*).

5. Committee on Tertiary Education and Services:

Hon. Aminu Suleiman:

“That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Tertiary Education and Services on a Bill for an Act to Amend the University of Nigeria Act, Cap. U11, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to specify the Minimum Qualification for 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. 1108) (*Referred: 31/10/2017*).

6. Committee on Tertiary Education and Services:

Hon. Aminu Suleiman:

“That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Tertiary Education and Services on a Bill for an Act to Establish Federal University, Birnin Kebbi, Kebbi State as a Conventional University with Restricted Programmes and Limited and Focused Facilities to ensure Equity and Access to Tertiary Education in the Country; and for Related Matters (HB. 1161) (*Referred: 19/12/2017*).

7. Committee on Tertiary Education and Services:

Hon. Aminu Suleiman:

“That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Tertiary Education and Services on a Bill for an Act to Amend the Usman Dan Fodio University, Sokoto Act, Cap. U 14 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to specify the Minimum Qualification for 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.1110)” (*Referred: 24/10/2017*).

8. Committee on Tertiary Education and Services:

Hon. Aminu Suleiman:

“That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Tertiary Education and Services on a Bill for an Act to Amend the Ahmadu Bello University (Transitional Provisions) Act, Cap. A14, 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. 1112)” (*Referred: 29/3/2018*).

ORDERS OF THE DAY

BILLS

1. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Chartered Institute of Public Management of Nigeria to Provide for the Control of its Membership and to Promote the Practice of Public Management in Nigeria; and for Related Matters (HB. 78) – *Third Reading*.

2. A Bill for an Act to Establish Federal Polytechnic, Mpu, Enugu State; and for Related Matters (HB.1604) (*Senate*) (*Leader*) – *Second Reading*.
3. A Bill for an Act to Establish Federal Polytechnic, Kaltungo, Gombe State; and for Related Matters (HB.1618) (*Senate*) (*Leader*) – *Second Reading*.
4. A Bill for an Act to Establish National Institute of Construction Technology and Management to Provide Full Time and Part Time Courses and Manpower Training in Construction Technology, Engineering Technology, Applied Sciences, Management Sciences and Other Fields of Study and to make Provisions for the General Administration of the Institute; and for Related Matters (HB.1610) (*Senate*) (*Leader*) – *Second Reading*.
5. A Bill for an Act to Establish Defence Intelligence Agency Pension Board to handle Pension Matters for Personnel of the Agency; and for Related Matters (HB. 1557) (*Hon. Wole Oke*) – *Second Reading*.

MOTIONS

6. **Need to Save the Lagos Trade Fair International Market from being crippled by the actions of the Federal Ministry of Industry, Trade and Investment:**

Hon. Oghene Emma Egoh:

The House:

Notes that on Monday 17 March, 2019 there was an unprecedented demonstration by the Auto Spare Parts and Machinery Dealers Association (ASPAMDA) in Lagos Trade Fair International Market which led to the closure of the Amuwo Odofin market;

Also notes that the demonstration was a protest against the continuous attempt to reconcession the Lagos Trade Fair Complex by the Federal Ministry of Industry, Trade and Investment when in fact the Leasehold Agreements variously entered into with the Federal Government are valid and subsisting;

Aware that the investments of the Traders in the Lagos Trade Fair International Market is over Seventy (70) billion naira invariably constituting a greater percentage of tax payers in the Country;

Also aware that the traders have been solely responsible for the construction of more than 95% of the structures within the Lagos Trade Fair International Market since they were allotted spaces by the Lagos Trade Fair International Management Board subject to valid subsisting agreements;

Concerned that the attempt to concession the Trade Fair Complex has caused traders varying degrees of depravity, neglect and lack of development and has also led to a shortfall in revenue generation by the Federal Government.

Resolves to:

- (i) Urge the Federal Ministry of Industry, Trade and Investment to put on hold, the concessioning process of the Lagos Trade Fair Complex;
- (ii) Mandate the Committee on Public Petitions to ensure compliance.

7. **Need to Raise Tobacco Tax to be at Par with Global Standards:**
Hon. Sergius Ose Ogun.

The House:

Recalls that on Thursday 19 October, 2017, a Resolution on Need to increase taxes on tobacco as a means of curbing tobacco use and to channel the proceeds into funding of Healthcare Services was passed wherein the Federal Ministry of Finance was urged to review the tax regime in order to increase the current tax on tobacco products;

Observes that the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, via a circular dated 5 March 2018, issued by the then Minister of Finance, Mrs. Kemi Adeosun, approved the review of the excise duty rate and structure applicable to tobacco products and alcoholic beverages with an additional ₦1 specific tax on each stick of cigarette which would increase to ₦2 per stick in 2019 and eventually ₦2.90 per stick in 2020, while maintaining the current 20% ad valorem rate on unit cost of production, with effect from 4 June 2018;

Also observes that the Government's policy to increase the excise duty rate on tobacco products within the three year period which may amount to 30% to 35% in 2020, does not meet the World Health Organization's (WHO) recommended 75% excise tax burden, which is the current global best practice;

Aware of available data which shows that other African countries currently impose higher excise duty rates on unit cost of tobacco production with Ghana's tax standing at 170%; Senegal at 45%; Gabon at 32%; Algeria at 38.14%; South Africa at 36.52% and Gambia at 30%;

Also aware that the new excise policy is aimed at not only increasing Government's revenue, but more importantly, improving public health given the well-known deadly consequences of tobacco use, hence the desire for a more drastic excise policy;

Further aware that the new policy is to be implemented over a 3-year period within which industry revenue is expected to decrease by about 3.3% of ₦98.7 billion and an increase in revenue accruable to the Government as tax during the implementation period of 2018 to 2020;

Concerned that despite the need to urgently bring the nation's tobacco tax regime in tandem with the World Health Organization's (WHO) recommended 75% excise tax burden, the President, in the said circular, gave a 90-day extension period to manufacturers of the affected products to fashion out ways to cushion the effect of the policy on their industry;

Disturbed that even after the 90-day extension period granted by the President had elapsed on 4 September 2018, there is no significant implementation of the policy;

Cognizant of the fact that public health benefits from reduced tobacco-related deaths as well as the economy (in terms of cost of medical care that is saved), would increase productivity due to a healthier population and eventual reallocation of income from tobacco to other sectors;

Determined to exercise the needed institutional will to ensure full implementation of the new tax policy on tobacco and alcoholic beverages for health and economic benefits of the Nigerian people as well as an upward review of the tax policy;

Resolves to:

- (i) Urge the Federal Ministry of Finance to further review upward the tobacco and alcoholic beverages tax policy, in order to bring it at par with acceptable global standards and commence its immediate implementation;
- (ii) Mandate the Committee on Finance to ensure compliance and report to the House within six weeks for further legislative action.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

8. Committees on Finance, Appropriations, Aids, Loans and Debt Management, Legislative Budget and Research and National Planning and Economic Development: Hon. Babangida Ibrahim:

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committees on Finance, Appropriations, Aids, Loans and Debt Management, Legislative Budget and Research and National Planning and Economic Development

on the 2019 – 2021 Medium Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF) and Fiscal Strategy Paper (FSP) and approve the recommendations therein” (*Committee of Supply: 10/4/2019*).

(i) Crude Oil Production

adopt the Recommendation of 2.3mbpd as the daily production output of crude oil in 2019 and it is of the view that the target is achievable due to the continuous effort of all stakeholders in checkmating the issues of oil facilities vandalism and other vices associated with such regard.

(ii) Crude Oil Price Benchmark

Adopt the recommendation of USD\$60.0/b as crude benchmark price of the 2019 fiscal year budget.

(iii) Exchange Rate

Adopt the recommendation of N305/\$ as the official Exchange rate for the 2019 fiscal year. The CBN should be encouraged to vigorously develop strategies that would strengthen the Naira and bridge the gap between the official and parallel market rates.

(iv) Debt Management/New Borrowing

(a) Adopt the recommendation of N1.64 trillion as new borrowing to fund the budget deficit and advice relevant agencies to continue exploring ways of generating additional revenues for Government to bring down the fiscal deficit. Also, the Federal Government should harness the full optimal potential of the Federal Ministry of Mines and Steel Development in terms of Revenue Generation to minimize the level of New Borrowing;

(b) That the Federal Government should consider reducing the granting of waivers and exemptions while ensuring that The Nigerian Customs Service personnel are at all oil terminals for accountability, and the Federal Inland Revenue Service (FIRS) should consider increasing Tax on luxury Goods and Services;

(c) 20% operating surplus to be remitted by Government owned Enterprises should be deducted at source.

(v) Special Intervention

that the sum Five Hundred Billion Naira (N500, 000, 000, 000) only Special Intervention Fund is adopted and enjoin the cooperation of Relevant Committees and other Relevant Ministry, Department and Agencies (MDAs) in ensuring that the funds are judiciously utilized to provide a positive tangible impact of the funds on the Nigerian People.

9. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Corporate Bodies (Members Emolument) Act, Cap. C 30, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004; and for Related Matters (HB. 669) (*Hon. Edward Gyang Pwajok*) (*Committee of the Whole: 27/11/2018*).

10. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Agricultural Credit Guarantee Scheme Fund Act, Cap. A11, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Expand the Membership of the Board of the Fund to cover the Interests of Farmers, Increase the amount to be paid into the Fund, Raise the commitment of the Federal Government and Central Bank of Nigeria and Increase the Maximum amount to attract a waiver of Security Requirement For a Credit Granted; and for Related Matters (HB.239) (*Hon. Edward Gyang Pwajok*) (*Committee of the Whole: 13/3/2019*).

11. A Bill for an Act to Amend the National Broadcasting Commission Act, Cap. N11, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Provide for Competition in Nigeria, to Promote Efficiency and Expand Opportunities for Nigeria’s participation in World Markets while at the same time Recognizing the Role of Foreign Competition in Nigeria; and for Related Matters (HB. 168) (*Hon. Edward Gyang Pwajok*) (*Committee of the Whole: 13/3/2019*).

12. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Nigerian Law Reform Commission Act, Cap. N118, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and Enact the Nigerian Law Reform Commission Bill to Facilitate the Effective Implementation of the Commission's Law Reform Proposals and Enhance its Performance; and for Related Matters (HB. 1577) (*Hon. Edward Gyang Pwajok*) (*Committee of the Whole: 19/3/2019*).
13. **Committee on National Planning and Economic Development:**
Hon. Bashir Babballe:
"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on National Planning and Economic Development on a Bill for an Act to Repeal the Nigerian Council for Management Development (NCMD) Act, Cap. N99, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and Enact the Nigerian Council for Management Development Act; and for Related Matters (HB.461) and approve the recommendations therein" (*Laid: 2019*).
14. **Committee on Agricultural Colleges and Institutions:**
Hon. Linus Okorie:
"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Agricultural Colleges and Institutions on a Bill for an Act to Establish the Fisheries Research Institute of Nigeria, Ngo for Fishery Research, Education and Cooperative Training in Nigeria; and for Related Matters and approve the recommendations therein" (HB.1310) (*Laid: 5/7./2018*).
15. **Committee on Science and Technology:**
Hon. Beni Lar:
"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Science and Technology on a Bill for an Act to Establish the Nigeria Natural Medicine Development Agency with a view to Conducting Research in Areas of Ethno-Medical and Veterinary Surveys so as to Develop Comprehensive Inventory of Medicinal, Aromatic and Pesticidal Plants, Animal Parts, Minerals and other Bio-Diversities used in Natural Medicine in Nigeria and to Provide Research, Develop, Promote, Collate, Document and Preserve Nigeria's Indigenous (Traditional) Healthcare Systems, Medications and Non-Medications Healing Arts, Sciences, Technologies, Bio-Resources and Facilitate their Integration into the National Healthcare Delivery System; and for Related Matters (HBs. 1219 and 1383) and approve the recommendations therein" (*Laid: 28/11/2018*).
16. **Committee on Health Institutions:**
Hon. Betty Apiafi:
"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Health Institutions on a Bill for an Act to Provide for Establishment of a National Centre for Research, Management and Control of Autism and Down Syndrome; and for Other Related Matters (HB. 322) and approve the recommendations therein" (*Laid: 8/6/2017*).
17. **Committees on Commerce, and Culture and Tourism:**
Hon. Sylvester Ogbaga:
"That the House do consider the Report of the Committees on Commerce, and Culture and Tourism on a Bill for an Act to Establish the Chartered Institute of Tourism of Nigeria charged with Responsibility to Regulate the Profession of Tourism by Prescribing the Standard of Academic, Vocational Knowledge to be Attained by Persons seeking to be Registered as Members of the Profession in Nigeria; and for Related Matters (HB. 712) (*Laid: 25/1/2017*).
18. **Committee on Federal Capital Territory:**
Hon. E. Y. Orker-Jev:
"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Federal Capital Territory on a Bill for an Act to Establish the Federal Capital Territory College of Agriculture; and for Related Matters (HB. 309) and approve the recommendations therein" (*Laid: 8/3/2018*).

19. Committee on Federal Capital Territory:**Hon. E. Y. Orker-Jev:**

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Federal Capital Territory on a Bill for an Act to Provide for Establishment of Federal Capital Territory University of Science and Technology, Abaji; and for Related Matters (HB. 145) and approve the recommendations therein" (*Laid: 8/3/2018*).

20. Committee on Public Petitions:**Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta:*****Petition by Bamiloye Temitope Abiodun:***

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Bamiloye Temitope Abiodun against the Nigerian Customs Service on his wrongful dismissal from service as a Marine Inspector of Customs and approve the recommendation therein" (*Laid: 7/7/2018*).

Urge the Controller General of the Nigeria Customs Service to reinstate Bamiloye Temitope Abiodun without the payment of his arrears.

21. Committee on Public Petitions:**Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta:*****Petition by Jonathan Nwachuhwu Ekeke:***

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Jonathan Nwachuhwu Ekeke against the Rubber Research Institute of Nigeria and the Federal Ministry of Agriculture on wrongful dismissal and appeal for reinstatement and approve the recommendations therein" (*Laid: 18/7/2018*).

(i) Urge the Federal Ministry of Agriculture and the Rubber Research Institute of Nigeria to reinstate Jonathan Nwachukwu Ekeke, as he was wrongfully dismissed;

(ii) Pay all his arrears of salaries and emoluments.

22. Committee on Public Petitions:**Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta:*****Petition by Alhaji Alih:***

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Alhaji Alih against the Public Complaints Commission on alleged wrongful dismissal from service and approve the recommendation therein" (*Laid: 5/12/2018*).

That Alhaji Alih's dismissal by the Public Compliant Commission be upheld.

23. Committee on Public Petitions:**Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta:*****Petition by V. O Efurhievwe and Associates:***

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by V. O Efurhievwe and Associates against the Nigerian Gas Company on the alleged Non-payment of Compensation from the effects of Environmental Pollution caused by the Nigerian Gas Company and approve the recommendation therein" (*Laid: 5/12/2018*).

Urge the Nigerian Gas Company to pay the sum of Twelve Million Naira (N12, 000, 000. 00) only which they have offered to pay to V.O Efurhievwe and Associates of Oton Quarters Sapele, Delta State.

24. Committee on Public Petitions:**Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta:*****Petition by Ukpebor, Ukpebor and Co.:***

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Ukpebor, Ukpebor and Co. against the Nigerian Gas Company on the bubbling of Gas from the Nigerian Gas Company's Rusted Pipeline in Okpeke Clan, Etsako East Local Government Area of

Edo State and approve the recommendation therein" (*Laid: 5/12/2018*);

Urge the Nigerian Gas Company to improve in their corporate social responsibility to Okpeke Clan, Etsako East Local Government Area of Edo State.

25. Committee on Public Petitions:

Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta:

Petition by Quadri Taura:

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Quadri Taura against the Ikeja Electricity Distribution Company (IKEDC) on the injustice meted out to him by the Management of the Company and approve the recommendation therein" (*Laid: 5/12/2018*).

Urge the Nigeria Electricity Liability Management Company (NELMCO) to pay Quadri Taura the sum of Fifty Million Naira (N50, 000, 000. 00) only as a result of the accident that occurred while he was carrying out his official duty.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

<i>S/N</i>	<i>Committee</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Venue</i>
1.	Rules and Business	Wednesday, 10 April, 2019	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 (White House) Assembly Complex
2.	Public Petitions (<i>Investigative Hearing</i>)	Wednesday, 10 April, 2019	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 429 (New Building) Assembly Complex
3.	Cooperation and Integration in Africa (<i>with its Agencies</i>)	Wednesday, 10 April, 2019	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 304 (New Building) Assembly Complex
4.	Federal Character (<i>with National Agency for Food and Drugs Administration and Control (NAFDAC) and Federal University, Birnin Kebbi</i>)	Wednesday, 10 April, 2019	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 247 (New Building) Assembly Complex