



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Wednesday, 15 July, 2009

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1. The House met at 2.43 p.m. Mr Deputy Speaker read Prayers.
 2. **Votes and Proceedings:**
Mr Deputy Speaker announced that he had examined and approved the Votes and Proceedings of Tuesday, 14 July, 2009.

By unanimous consent, the Votes and Proceedings was adopted.
 3. **Announcement:**
Visitor:
Mr Deputy Speaker recognized the presence in the Gallery, of the National Association of Political Science Students of Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria.
 4. **Petition:**
The following petition was received and referred to the Committee on Public Petitions:

Hon. Ogbuefi Ozomgbachi (*Udi/Ezeagu Federal Constituency*), from Onyema Roseline and 64 others, praying the House to intervene and redress their alleged unlawful disengagement from the service of the University of Nigeria Teaching Hospital (UNTH), Enugu.
 5. **Presentations of Bills:**
 - (i) Corporate Prostitution (Prohibition) Bill, 2009 — *Read the First Time.*
 - (ii) Electoral Debate Commission Bill, 2009 — *Read the First Time.*
 6. **Presentation of Report:**
Joint Committee on Federal Capital Territory and Federal Capital Territory Area Councils and Ancillary Matters:
Motion made and Question proposed, "That this House do receive and adopt the Report of the Joint Committee on Federal Capital Territory and Federal Capital Territory Area Councils and Ancillary Matters on the Request made to the House of Representatives by the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria for Virement from the Federal Capital Territory 2009 Statutory Budget" (Hon. Ali Aidoko Atai Usman).

Question put and agreed to.

Report laid.

Question that the House do approve the virement of ₦22,791,449,579.00 (Twenty-Two Billion, Seven Hundred and Ninety-One Million, Four Hundred and Forty-Nine Thousand, Five Hundred and Seventy-Nine Naira) only from the Federal Capital Territory 2009 Statutory Budget, put and agreed to.
 7. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Political Parties Registration and Regulatory Commission and for Other Matters Connected Thereto, 2009 — *Second Reading.*

Order read, deferred.
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8. **A Bill for an Act to Establish the Chartered Institute of Shipping of Nigeria and to Regulate the Profession of Shipping and for Related Matters, 2009 — *Second Reading*.**
Motion made and Question proposed, "That a Bill for an Act to Establish the Chartered Institute of Shipping of Nigeria and to Regulate the Profession of Shipping and for Related Matters, 2009 be now read a Second Time" (Hon. Adamu Kalba).

Debate:

Question that the Bill be now read a Second Time, put and agreed to.

Bill read a Second Time and referred to Committee on Marine Transport.

9. **A Bill for an Act to Provide for Prompt Payment and Other Related Purposes, 2009 — *Second Reading*.**

Order read, deferred.

10. **A Bill for an Act for the Establishment of the National Consumer Credit Regulatory Commissions (NCCRC) for the General Regulation of Consumer Credit and Information in Nigeria, Registration of Credit Bureau and Credit Providers, Promotion of Fair Access to Consumer Credit and Economic Empowerment of Nigerians, Prohibition of unfair Credit Marketing Practices and Other Matters Connected Therewith, 2009 — *Second Reading*.**

Motion made and Question proposed, "That a Bill for an Act for the Establishment of the National Consumer Credit Regulatory Commissions (NCCRC) for the General Regulation of Consumer Credit and Information in Nigeria, Registration of Credit Bureau and Credit Providers, Promotion of Fair Access to Consumer Credit and Economic Empowerment of Nigerians, Prohibition of unfair Credit Marketing Practices and Other Matters Connected Therewith, 2009 be now read a Second Time" (Hon. Patrick Asadu).

Debate:

Question that the Bill be now read a Second Time, put and agreed to.

Bill read a Second Time and referred to Committee on Banking and Currency.

11. **Consideration of Report:**

Committee on Governmental Affairs:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That this House do resume consideration of the Report of the Committee on Governmental Affairs on a Bill for an Act to Regulate the Use of Sirens in Nigeria and for Other Matters Connected Therewith, 2009 and approve the Recommendations therein" (Hon. Leo Ogor).

Question put and agreed to.

Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of Whole to consider the Report, put and agreed to.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE)

(Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair)

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO AMEND THE FEDERAL ROAD SAFETY COMMISSION (ESTABLISHMENT) ACT 2007 IN ORDER TO REGULATE THE USE OF SIRENS IN NIGERIA AND FOR OTHER MATTERS CONNECTED THEREWITH, 2009

Amendment of Act, No. 22, 2007.

The Federal Road Safety Commission Act No. 22, 2007 (herein after referred to as "the Principal Act") is hereby amended as set out in this Bill (*Hon. Leo Ogor*).

Question that the Act as amended, stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

Amendment of Section 10 (3) (p).

Section 10 (3) (p) of the Principal Act is amended by deleting the existing provision and substituting thereof a new provision that is:

- (p) "Regulating the use of Sirens, arresting and detaining any vehicle that unlawfully uses sirens, Flashers and Beacon lights in any manner on the highway or any road".

Section 10 (3) (p) of the principal Act is amended by inserting new subparagraphs (a) and (b) immediately after subsection 10 (3) (p).

- (a) as from the commencement of and subject to the provisions of this Act, it shall be unlawful for a person to use a Siren or operate a similar device in any vehicle;
- (b) this Act shall not apply to persons and bodies listed under the schedule (*Hon. Leo Ogor*).

Question that the section 10 (3) (p) as amended, stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

Insertion of new section 10 (3) (q).

Section 10 (3) (q) of the principal Act is amended by inserting thereof a new provision, and the existing section 10 (3) (q) is renumbered section 10 (3) (r), and the subsequent paragraphs re-numbered accordingly.

It shall be unlawful —

- (a) to sell, offer for sale or distribute any Siren or similar device used in vehicles unless authorized by the FRSC.
- (b) for persons driving vehicles with siren to do so without been certified by the FRSC (*Hon. Leo Ogor*).

Question that the section 10 (3) (p) as amended, stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

Amendment of section 27.

Section 27 of the principal Act is amended by inserting new section 27 (1) immediately after the existing section 27 thereof —

- (1) A person who —
 - (a) contravenes the provisions of Section 2 (2) (a) and (b) commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding One Million Naira (~~₦~~1,000,000) or one year imprisonment or both and confiscation of the vehicle and the device operating in the case of second offender.
 - (c) A person who —
 - imports siren or other similar devices used in vehicles without FRSC permit should be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding five Hundred thousand (~~₦~~500,000) or 1 years imprisonment or both.
 - (d) A person who —
 - drives a vehicle with siren without certification by FRSC should be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding fifty Thousand Naira (~~₦~~50,000) or 1 year imprisonment or both (*Hon. Leo Ogor*).

Question that the section 27 as amended, stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

Citation.

This Bill may be cited as Federal Road Safety Commission (Establishment) Act (Amendment) Bill, 2009 (*Hon. Leo Ogor*) — Agreed to.

SCHEDULE

Section 2 (2) (ii)

1. The President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.
2. The Vice President, of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.
3. The President of the Senate.
4. The Speaker of the House of Representatives.
5. The Chief Justice of Nigeria.
6. Deputy President of the Senate.
7. Deputy Speaker.

8. State Governors, and their deputies
9. Hospitals, while on emergency duties.
10. Fire service while on emergency duties.
11. Armed Forces while on emergency duties.
12. Nigeria Police while on emergency duties.
13. Para-Military Agencies while on emergency duties.
14. Speakers of State Houses of Assembly within their state
15. Chairmen of State Council of Chiefs (one in each State) (*Hon. Leo Ogor*).

Amendment Proposed:

Insert a new item 9 as follows:

"Minister of the Federal Capital Territory Administration" (Hon. C. I. D. Maduabum).

Question that the amendment be made, put and negatived.

Question that the Schedule stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

Long Title:

A Bill for an Act to Amend the Federal Road Safety Commission (Establishment) Act 2007 in order to Regulate the Use of Sirens in Nigeria and for Other Matters Connected Therewith, 2009 (*Hon. Leo Ogor*).

Question that a Bill for an Act to Amend the Federal Road Safety Commission (Establishment) Act, 2007 in order to Regulate the Use of Sirens in Nigeria and for Other Matters Connected Therewith, 2009 be the Long Title of the Bill, put and agreed to.

Chairman to report Bill.

(HOUSE IN PLENARY)

Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair, reported that the House in the Committee of Whole considered of the Report of the Committee on Governmental Affairs on a Bill for an Act to Amend the Federal Road Safety Commission (Establishment) Act 2007 in order to Regulate the Use of Sirens in Nigeria and for Other Matters Connected Therewith, 2009 and approved Clauses 1 - 6 and directed the Committee to provide the Interpretation Clause and the Long Title of the Bill for approval by the House.

Question that the House do adopt the Report of the Committee of Whole, put and agreed to.

12. Adjournment:

That this House do now adjourn till Thursday, 16 July, 2009 at 10.00 a.m. (*Hon. Ita Enang*).

Adjourned accordingly at 4.55 p.m.

Usman Bayero Nafada
Deputy Speaker