



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

ORDER PAPER

Thursday, 6 April, 2017

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PRESENTATION OF BILLS

1. National Oil Spill Detection and Response Agency Act (Amendment) Bill, 2017 (HB. 964) (*Hon. Obinna Chidoka*) — *First Reading*.
2. Institute of Chartered Franchise Executives of Nigeria (Establishment) Bill, 2017 (HB. 999) (*Hon. Sylvester Ogbaga*) — *First Reading*.
3. Affirmation of Eligibility for Public Appointments Bill, 2017 (HB. 1000) (*Hon. Mojeed Alabi*) — *First Reading*.
4. Pharmacists Council Act (Amendment) Bill, 2017 (HB. 1002) (*Hon. Abbas Tajudeen*) — *First Reading*.
5. National Cotton, Textile and Garment Development Council (Establishment) Bill, 2017 (HB. 1003) (*Hon. Abubakar Husaini Moriki*) — *First Reading*.

ADMITTANCE INTO CHAMBER

Admittance into the Chamber pursuant to Order Nineteen, Rule 8 (1) of the Standing Orders of the House of Representatives:

Hon. Femi Gbajabiamila:

"That the House do admit into the Chamber, the Hon. Minister of Budget and National Planning and the Hon. Minister of Finance and their entourage at 11.00 a.m. to brief the House on the serious challenges facing Nigerian Pensioners."

ORDERS OF THE DAY**BILLS**

1. A Bill for an Act to Provide for Secured Transactions, Registration and Regulation of Security Interests in Movable Assets and for Other Related Matters (HB. 147) — *Third Reading*.
2. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Matrimonial Causes Act, Cap. M7, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Increase the Amount Paid as Penalty and for Other Related Matters (HB.110) — *Third Reading*.
3. A Bill for an Act to Provide for Personal Data Protection to Regulate the Processing of Information Relating to Individuals, Including the Obtaining, Holding, Use or Disclosure of such Information and for Other Related Matters (HB. 2) — *Third Reading*.
4. A Bill for an Act to Amend the National Honours Act, Cap. N43, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 by Subjecting the Nomination for the Award of National Honours to the Confirmation of the Senate and Stipulating Qualifications and Conditions for the Award and to Repeal the National Honours Act and the Nigerian National Merit Award Act, Cap. N122, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and Re-enact the Nigerian National Honours and Merit Award Commission to, among other things, Provide for the Establishment of a Commission that will Regulate Matters Related to National Honours and Merit Award in Nigeria and to Amend the Nigerian National Merit Award Act to Provide Awards to Deserving States and Companies in Nigeria and for Other Related Matters (HBs 654, 559 and 929) (*Hon. Orker-Jev E. Y., Hon. Abbass Tajudeen and Hon. Asabe Vilita Bashir*) — *Second Reading*.
5. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the National Housing Fund Act, Cap. N45, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and Establish the National Housing Trust Fund Act, and for Other Related Matters (HB.891) (*Hon. Abdullahi Umar Faruk*) — *Second Reading*.
6. A Bill for an Act to Establish Development Planning and Projects Continuity and to make Development Planning Compulsory in Nigeria and in the Area Councils of the Federal Capital Territory and to create Coherent and Measureable Targets in Developmental Plans and for Other Related Matters (HB.934) (*Hon. Ossai Nicholas Ossai*) — *Second Reading*.
7. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Lagos Ports Operations (Special Provisions) Act, Cap. L3, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and for Other Related Matters (HB.269) (*Hon. Gabriel Onyenwufe*) — *Second Reading*.

MOTIONS

8. **Need to Curb the Scourge of Meningitis in Nigeria:**
Hon. Johnson Egwakhide Oghuma:

The House:

Notes with sadness the ongoing scourge of meningitis ravaging most parts of Nigeria and which has so far killed over two hundred and thirty persons with numerous others hospitalized;

Empathizes with the families of victims of this dastardly menace, believing that the extent of the spread would have been minimized if adequate proactive measures were taken;

Aware that the outbreak being an annual phenomenon, the Federal Ministry of Health ought to have been proactive to anticipate and put in place plans to address it;

Concerned that the ravaging scourge of meningitis may not be over unless measures are taken to curb the spread;

Resolves to:

Mandate the Committee on Healthcare Services to invite the Minister of Health to brief the Committee on the efforts the Ministry is making to curb the menace and to ensure there is no scarcity of the vaccine to treat victims and report back within two (2) weeks or further legislative action.

9. Call on the National Population Commission to Establish and Maintain a More Efficient System of Births and Deaths Registration in the Country:

Hon. Omosede G. Igbinedion:

The House:

Aware that Part 1, item j, paragraph 23 (b) of the Third Schedule to the 1999 Constitution empowers the National Population Commission to establish and maintain a machinery for continuous and universal registration of births and deaths throughout the Federation;

Also aware that many Nigerians and non-Nigerians are denied official certificates of births and deaths, thereby making many to resort to age declarations in Courts;

Concerned that many citizens resort to deliberate alteration of their records due to lack of official recording mechanism available at times of births or deaths;

Cognizant that records of births and deaths are vital statistics that enhance national planning, monitoring of a country's population and policy making;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge the National Planning Commission to liaise with appropriate authorities to domicile births and deaths registers at every town/village to ensure a more efficient population records in communities throughout the federation and train community statistics attendants for the purpose;
- (ii) also urge the National Population Commission to commence widespread campaigns on the importance of births and deaths registration across the federation;
- (iii) mandate the Committees on Population, and National Planning and Economic Development to regularly monitor compliance and report back for further legislative action.

10. Call on the Federal Government to Drop the 20% Tariff Imposed on Imported Medicines:
Hon. Onwubuariri Obinna Kingsley:

The House:

Notes that the Minister of Finance, Mrs Kemi Adeosun has communicated the approval of the President of an Import Adjustment Tax list wherein 20% tax was imposed on medicines such as paracetamol tablets and syrup, chloroquine tablets and syrup, imported into the country;

Aware that until this Import Adjustment List, Nigeria had a 0% duty on imported drugs as a result of the recommendation of an Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) Committee on Health that member states impose zero percent (0%) duty on imported drugs, given that the healthcare needs of the region cannot be adequately addressed by local manufacturing;

Concerned that the situation that necessitated the ECOWAS recommendation prior to 2013 has not abated, instead it has exacerbated;

Also concerned that the reintroduction of duty and imposition of a whopping 20% tax on imported medicines will aggravate the already deplorable condition of the nation's healthcare delivery system and could lead to high death rates;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge the Federal Government to delist medicines from the list of items that will attract imposition of duties until such a time that local manufacturing would have reasonably guaranteed not only the quality but the quantum of medicines to be administered in Nigeria; and
- (ii) mandate the Committee on Delegated Legislations to ensure implementation and report back in four (4) weeks for further legislative action.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

11. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Nigeria Agricultural Quarantine Service and for Other Related Matters (HB. 866) (*Committee of the Whole: 22/3/2017*).
12. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Weights and Measures Act, Cap. W3, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Review Upwards the Fines Stipulated for Offences under the Act and for Other Related Matters (HB. 265) (*Committee of the Whole: 18/11/2017*).
13. A Bill for an Act to Confer Pioneer Status, Tariff Incentives and Income Tax Reliefs on Automobile and Automotive Components by the Federal Government to the Automobile and Enterprises Under the Nigeria Automotive Industry Development Plan and for Other Related Matters (HB.896) (*Committee of the Whole:17/3/2017*).
14. **Committees on Land Transport, Aviation, Ports, Harbours and Waterways, and Maritime Safety, Education and Administration:**
Hon. Aminu Sani Isa:
 "That the House do consider the Report of the Committees on Land Transport, Aviation, Ports, Harbours and Waterways, and Maritime Safety, Education and Administration on a Bill for an Act to Provide for the Establishment of the National Transport Commission as an Independent Multi-Modal Transport Sector Regulator for the Regulated Transport Industry and for Other Matters Connected Therewith (HB. 51)and approve the recommendations therein" (*Laid: 8/3/2017*).

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

	<i>Committee</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Venue</i>
1.	Rules and Business	Thursday, 6 April, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 (White House) Assembly Complex
2.	Treaties, Protocols and Agreements	Thursday, 6 April, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 456 New Building (House) Assembly Complex

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| 3. | <i>Ad-hoc</i> Committee to investigate the Health Implications of Mounting Telecommunications Masts Close to Buildings | Thursday, 6 April, 2017 | 3.00 p.m. | Committee Room 324
New Building (House)
Assembly Complex |
| 4. | Poverty Alleviation
(<i>Budget defence</i>) | Thursday, 6 April, 2017 | 3.00 p.m. | Committee Room 349
New Building (House)
Assembly Complex |
| 5. | Federal Character (<i>with National Space Research and Development Agency, Federal University, Lafía, National Bureau of Statistics, Federal Polytechnic, Ole-Oluji and Federal Medical Centre, Abeokuta</i>) | Thursday, 6 April, 2017 | 3.00 p.m. | Committee Room 247
New Building (House)
Assembly Complex |
| 6. | <i>Ad-hoc</i> Committee to investigate Planned Relocation of Shell Petroleum Development Company (SPDC) from Port Harcourt, Rivers State | Thursday, 6 April, 2017 | 3.00 p.m. | Committee Room 436
New Building (House)
Assembly Complex |