



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

ORDER PAPER

Thursday, 13 July, 2017

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PRESENTATION OF BILLS

1. Nigeria Customs Service Bill, 2017 (HB. 1074) (*Senate*) (*Leader*) *First Reading*.
 2. Federal Roads Authority Bill, 2017 (HB. 1075) (*Senate*) (*Leader*) *First Reading*.
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PRESENTATION OF REPORTS

1. **Committee on Justice:**
Hon. Razak Atunwa:
“That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Justice on a Bill for an Act to make it Mandatory for the National Assembly to Scrutinise and approve Statutory Instrument before it becomes enforceable and for Related Matters (HB. 13) (*Referred: 8/10/2015*).
2. **Committee on Justice:**
Hon. Razak Atunwa:
“That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Justice on a Bill for an Act to make Provision for a Standard Scale of Fines and Financial Penalties Imposed by Courts, Tribunals and Other Statutory Instruments and for Related Matters (HB. 642) (*Referred: 22/11/2016*)

3. **Committee on Electoral and Political Party Matters:**

Hon. Aishatu Jibril Dukku

“That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Electoral and Political Party Matters on a Bill for an Act to Further Amend the Electoral Act, No. 6 of 2010 and for Matters Connected Therewith (HBs. 165, 174, 220, 429, 468, 484, 809 and 966 (*Referred: 4/5/2016*)).

ORDERS OF THE DAY

BILLS

1. A Bill for an Act to Establish the National Assembly Budget and Research Office which shall provide the National Assembly with Objective, Timely and Non-Partisan Analysis Needed for Economic and Budget Decisions and for Other Related Matters (HB. 377) – (*Leader*) *Third Reading*.
 2. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Money Laundering (Prohibition) Act, 2011 and Re-enact the Money Laundering (Prevention and Prohibition) Act to Provide Measures for the Prevention and Prohibition of Money Laundering in Nigeria and for Other Related Matters (HBs 390 and 410) (*Hon. Femi Gbajabiamila and Hon. Edward Gyang Pwajok*) — *Second Reading*.
 3. A Bill for an Act to Establish the National Institute for Educational Planning and Administration to provide, among other things, for its Functions and other Matters Relating to Educational Planning and Administration in Nigeria and for Related Matters (HB. 1030) (*Hon. Oluwale Oke*) — *Second Reading*.
 4. A Bill for an Act to Establish the National Cotton, Textile and Garment (CTG) Development Council to Provide for the Promotion and Facilitation of Cotton Production, Marketing and Standardization, Investment in Cotton Value Chain, Textiles and Garments as a Panacea to Achieving Self-Sufficiency in Cotton, Textiles and Garment Industry in Nigeria and for Related Matters (HB. 1003) (*Hon. Abubakar Husaini Moriki*) — *Second Reading*.
 5. A Bill for an Act to Affirm the Rights of a Citizen of Nigeria to Full Consideration for Public Appointments and for Related Matters (HB. 1000) (*Hon. Mojeed Alabi*) — *Second Reading*.
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MOTIONS

6. **Urgent Need to Cover the Open Drains and Culverts on Highways in Abuja to Reduce Accidents:**

Hon. O. K. Chinda:

The House:

Notes the existence of many open drains and culverts on major highways in the Federal Capital Territory (FCT), Abuja which pose great risks and danger to pedestrians and motorists, particularly at night and during rainfalls when visibility is reduced;

Aware that some of the major highways where those open drains and culverts are commonly found include the Lugbe-Airport road; the Abuja-Kubwa expressway; the Abuja-Nyanya road, A.Y.A-Kubwa express road, among others;

Also aware that while there are set global standards for road and drainage construction, the practice of leaving drains and culverts uncovered on major highways as we have in FCT, Abuja falls short of current global standards and international best practices;

Resolves to:

- (i) Urge the Federal Ministry of Power, Works and Housing and the Federal Capital Development Authority (FCDA) to urgently take steps to ensure that all open drains and culverts on the highways in the FCT, Abuja are covered.
- (ii) Mandate the Committees on Works, Federal Capital Territory and Legislative Compliance to report the level of compliance to the House within six (6) weeks for further legislative action.

**7. Call on the Federal Government to Establish a Polytechnic in Oyo State:
Hon. Olajide Olatubosun:**

The House:

Notes that there are twenty-eight (28) Federal Polytechnics spread across the Country and their locations clearly manifest a deliberate policy by successive Administrations to ensure a fair and equitable distribution among the thirty-six (36) States of the Federation;

Aware that Oyo State is a pacesetter and power house in Western Education in Africa, but concerned that in spite of that excellent profile, successive Administrations have failed to establish a Federal Polytechnic in Oyo State, a situation that places indigenes and residents of the State at a disadvantaged position in their quest for admission into Federal Polytechnics due to the fact that the policy of "Catchment Area" is a prioritized criterion in admission into the Institutions;

Believes that the establishment of a Federal Polytechnic in Oyo State will give indigenes and residents of the State a sense of belonging, promote national cohesion and integration and also provide them more opportunities of acquiring higher education;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge the Federal Government to consult with the Government of Oyo State with a view to establishing a Federal Polytechnic in Oyo State; and
- (ii) mandate the Committee on Tertiary Education and Services to liaise with the Federal Ministries of Education and Finance, the National Board for Technical Education and other stakeholders to ensure compliance.

**8. Call for Dualization of Ilorin–Abuja Highway and Construction of a Rail Line:
Hon. Aliyu B. Ahman–Pategi:**

The House:

Aware that all the states of the Federation that border the Federal Capital Territory, Abuja have direct dualized road access to the capital city except Kwara which though not directly bordering it is still relatively close;

Notes that access to the capital city from Kwara is mainly through Bida in Niger State and Lokoja in Kogi State, both of which entail seven hours of commuting which can significantly be cut down to about two and half hours if a road is constructed from Ilorin through Okeoyi–Patigi–Kpada–Baro–Giri/Airport junction in the capital city and it will also reduce the huge traffic competing for access on the Ilorin–Jebba–Mokwa segment of the Ibadan–Kaduna highway;

Also notes that the new route will create a vital and alternate gateway in times of emergency as it happened when the Niger bridge at Lokoja was flooded in 2012;

Further notes the desirability of construction of a rail line along the proposed route to fit into the ongoing national rail network which will link the capital city with Lagos port through Ilorin and the Baro inland port and will significantly impact on costs and valuable time currently being spent on road travels and also ease the movement of goods;

Resolves to:

- (i) Call on the Federal Ministry of Power, Works and Housing to initiate a design for the construction of a highway through Ilorin–Okeoyi–Patigi–Kpada–Baro–Giri/Airport road, Abuja and include it in the 2018 budget proposal;
- (ii) Also call on the Federal Ministry of Transportation to initiate a design for a rail line along the same route for inclusion in the same budget circle; and

- (iii) Mandate the Committees on Works and Land Transport to ensure implementation and report back in eight weeks for further legislative action.

9. Illegal Concession of some Public Enterprises through the Approval of the Federal Executive Council in Violation of the Public Enterprises (Privatization and Commercialization) Act, 1999:

Hon. Mark Terseer Gbillah Hon. Abdulrazak Sa'ad Namdas Hon. Ochiglegor Idagbo.

The House:

Notes that the National Council on Privatization is the only Federal Government body empowered by Section II of the Public Enterprises (Privatization and Commercialization) Act 1999 to approve the Privatisation and Commercialization of Public Enterprises;

Also notes that before the expiration of its four-year tenure two years ago, the National Council on privatization, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Sections 2 and 3 of the Public Enterprises (Privatization and Commercialization) Act, 1999 proposed the commercialization of the under listed public Enterprises by concession:

- (i) the Nnamdi Azikiwe International Airport, Abuja;
- (ii) the Murtala Mohammed International Airport, Lagos;
- (iii) the Mallam Aminu Kano International Airport, Kano;
- (iv) the Port Harcourt International Airport; and
- (v) the Nigerian Railway Corporation.

Aware that in the absence of a formally Constituted and inaugurated National Council of Privatization, the Federal Executive Council in violation of the provisions of Section II of the Public Enterprises (Privatization and Commercialization) Act 1999 approved the concession of the Nigerian Railway Corporation narrow gauge lines to G.E of United States of America and also the concession of four National Airports, namely: Nnamdi Azikiwe International Airport, Abuja, Murtala Mohammed International, Airport, Lagos, Mallam Aminu Kano International, Airport, Kano and the Port Harcourt International Airport;

Further aware that the House Committee on Privatization and Commercialization of the 8th Assembly investigated the attempt by the NNPC to engage investors to rehabilitate the 3 NNPC Refineries situated at Kaduna, Warri and Port Harcourt without the involvement of the Bureau of Public Enterprise or approval of the National Council of Privatization in violation of the provisions of the Public Enterprises (Privatization and Commercialization) Act 1999 and directed that the process be halted until the formal constitution and inauguration of the NCP for due process to be followed;

Worried that despite the Resolution of the House, the Federal Executive Council has without the NCP and BPE or compliance with due process, continued to make decisions on Privatization and Commercialization of public enterprises;

Concerned that non-adherence to provisions of the Act of parliament by the Federal Executive Council is tantamount to executive lawlessness and impunity and the continued approvals for the concession of public enterprises in violation of section II of the Public Enterprises (Privatization and Commercialization) Act 1999 if not checked, will result in loss of investors' confidence in the Federal Government's Privatization Programme and encourage corruption and lack of transparency;

Resolved to:

- (i) urge the Federal Government to ensure that any further Concession, Privatization and Commercialization of Public Enterprises is in strict adherence to the provisions of the Public Enterprises (Privatization and Commercialization) Act, 1999;

- (ii) also urge the Federal Government to stop every process of Concession, privatization and commercialization of any public enterprise that was initiated without the approval of a formally constituted and inaugurated National Council of Privatization;
- (iii) mandate the Committee on Privatization and Commercialization to investigate the legality of the approval of the Federal Executive Council to engage AGIP for the rehabilitation and operation of Warri Refinery, concession of the NRC narrow gauge lines to G.E of USA and the Federal Ministry of Aviations processes for the concession of the (4) National Airports i.e Nnamdi Azikiwe International Airport, Abuja, Murtala Mohammed International Airport, Lagos, Mallam Aminu Kano International Airport, Kano and Port Harcourt International Airport and make recommendations to the House within two weeks.

10. Call for Removal of Abandoned Shipwrecks from the Waterways:

Hon. Randolph Iwo Oruene Brown

Hon. Boma Goodhead

Hon. Abiante Awaji-Inombek D.:

The House:

Notes that Nigeria derives immense benefits from its maritime industry which is a major source of revenue from import and export activities at the sea ports and waterways which is also a means of transportation and livelihood for those living in the coastal States who do not have direct access to their communities by land;

Aware that the waterways have been polluted and are now dumping ground for abandoned shipwrecks as can be seen in the situation of upper and lower reaches of Bonny estuary in Rivers State where no fewer than thirty (30) shipwrecks were abandoned, thus constituting risks for both artisanal and commercial users and resulting, among others, in Nigeria losing lots of communities, beaches and mangroves owing to erosion activities caused by the tidal influence occasioned by blockage of the waterways by abandoned shipwrecks;

Also aware that in the last five (5) years, no fewer than 318 wreckages have occurred, over 49 boat mishaps recorded with an average of 214 people losing their lives between Bonny estuary and its adjoining creeks and tributaries;

Concerned that the existence of agencies like the Nigerian Maritime Administration and Safety Agency (NIMASA) and Nigerian Inland Waterways Authority (NIWA) that are saddled with the responsibility of managing the waterways have not deterred the abandonment of shipwrecks on the waterways;

Also concerned that the funds released in 2013 for the removal of the shipwrecks may not have been effectively utilized as the menace is increasing by the day;

Resolves to:

- (i) Urge the Federal Government to take steps to ensure that all shipwrecks in the waterways are removed without further delay to enhance safety and speedy activities in the Nation's Maritime operations as well as reduce potential risks of loss of lives, properties, and communities, thereby enhancing revenue generation from the maritime sector;
- (ii) Mandate the Committees on Maritime Safety, Education and Administration and Ports, Harbours and Waterways to investigate the issue of shipwrecks, sweeping of the waterways and the management of funds released for that purpose in 2013 and report back within six (6) weeks for further legislative action.

**11. Need to Investigate the Activities of Nursing and Midwifery Council of Nigeria Concerning the Renewal of Nursing License:
Hon. Oladele Olatunbosun George:**

The House:

Notes the vital roles of nurses in the health care delivery process and for any Nurse to practice, he or she must be licensed by the Nursing and Midwifery Council of Nigeria which is a parastatal of the Federal Ministry of Health saddled with such responsibility under the Nursing and Midwifery (Registration etc) Act, CAP. N143, Laws of Federation of Nigeria, 2004;

Also notes that there are many nurses practicing in both private and public health institutions whose licenses have expired and have not been removed or who have never been licensed to practice at all;

Concerned about allegations of delay by the Nursing and Midwifery Council of Nigeria in the renewal process of licenses of nurses some of which last for over a year. When it is known that it is illegal for an unlicensed nurse to treat or offer services to a patient in any health care facility under any guise;

Also concerned that patients are at risk of being treated by uncertified nursing practitioners, leading to unpleasant health consequences, complications and even death in some instances;

Cognizant of the urgent need to take a critical look at the process of renewal of licenses and evaluation of the practice of nursing in Nigeria with a view to restoring the globally acceptable standard while ensuring quality delivery in our health institutions;

Resolves to:

Mandate the Committee on Health Care Services to investigate the activities of the Nursing and Midwifery Council of Nigeria in the area of issuance and renewal of nursing licenses with a view to ensuring due and speedy process and report back within eight (8) weeks for further legislative action.

**12. Need to Curb Incidents of Damage to Cars by Gravels Falling from Over-Filled Truck:
Hon. Abubakar A. Yunusa:**

The House:

Notes that heavy trucks that are usually used to transport gravels, rocks and other debris from one place to the other are often overfilled and have no covers with the drivers moving with reckless abandon;

Aware of numerous cases of gravels and other debris falling from the trucks and injuring pedestrians or damaging other vehicles plying the roads and the victims are not able to get any relief because the truck drivers, on realizing the damage they have caused, usually speed off to escape from the scene;

Also aware that there are usually no signs on the trucks to alert people of their contents as a result of which they constitute even more hazards on the roads;

Resolves to:

Mandate the Committee on Federal Road Safety Commission to liaise with the Federal Road Safety Commission to work out modalities to ensure that vehicles carrying gravels and other debris are not overfilled, and are also properly covered as well as carry bold signs to alert people of their contents in order to avoid their falling off and injuring people or damage other vehicles.

13. **Call for Rehabilitation and Integration of the 115 Chibok School Girls released by the Boko Haram Insurgents:**
Hon. Adamu D. U Kamale

The House:

Notes that on the 14 April, 2014, 276 Chibok School girls were abducted at the Government Secondary School Chibok by the Boko Haram insurgents;

Also notes that the abduction, 57 of the schools girls luckily escaped, among them were: Joy Bishara and Lydia Pogu who were recently hosted by the president of the United States on their graduation from Canyonville Academy in Oregon, United States of America;

Aware that as a result of concerted efforts by the Federal Government of Nigeria and the Internal Committee of the Red Cross, 21 of the abducted school girls were released on Thursday 13 October, 2016 and thereafter on 7 May, 2017 another 82 of the school girls were released totaling 115 girls with two others found by the Nigerian Armed Forces;

Cognizant that the release of the Chibok School girls brought joy to Nigerians and the outside world as their freedom is correlated with the success of the Nigerian Army over the insurgents and also rekindled hope and confidence of Nigerians in the ability of the Federal Government to overcome the insurgents;

Disturbed that with the release of the 115 Chiboks School girls in 2016 and this year, the Federal Government of Nigeria has not drawn any programme for their Rehabilitation and integration;

Also worried that the 115 rescued Chiboks School girls were kept in concentration camp under the condition that dampens their morals to overcome the trauma inflicted by the insurgents;

Convinced that the implementation of the Niger Delta Amnesty Programme by the Federal Government of Nigeria has helped in the rehabilitation, integration and development of the Niger Delta Youths to higher status as some of them have graduated from various Universities both within and outside the Country;

Also convinced that the rescued 115 Chiboks School girls that are camped are capable of making Nigeria proud as their colleagues, Joy Bishara and Lydia Pogu who are opportuned to have proceeded with their studies in the United States of America;

Resolves to:

- (i) Urge the Federal Ministry of Youths and Sports, Women Affairs and Presidential Committee on North East Initiatives to draw a comprehensive programme for the rehabilitation and integration of the 115 Chibok school girls.
 - (ii) Mandate the Committees on Internal Displaced Persons (IDPs), Refugees and Initiative on North East Zone, Youth Development and Women Affairs to ascertain the conditions and prospects of the 115 chibok school girls released by the insurgents and report back within 4 weeks.
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CONSIDERATION OF REPORT

14. **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 Regulate the Medical Residency Training Programme in Nigeria and for Other Related Matters (HB. 982) and approve the Recommendations therein” (*Laid: 8/6/2017*).

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

1.	Rules and Business	Thursday, 13 July, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 (White House) Assembly Complex
2.	Aids, Loans and Debt Management	Thursday, 13 July, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 429 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
3.	Information, National Orientation, Ethics and Values	Thursday, 6 July, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 429 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
4.	Health Institutions	Thursday, 6 July, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 236 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
5.	Ports, Harbour and Waterways	Thursday, 6 July, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 460 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
6.	Banking and Currency	Thursday, 6 July, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 327 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
7.	Capital Market (with CBN Governor, DG, SEC, MD Ecobank and MD MACT Securities Limited)	Thursday, 6 July, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 357 New Building (House) Assembly Complex