



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

ORDER PAPER

Tuesday, 24 October, 2017

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1. Coastal and Inland Shipping (Cabotage) Act (Amendment) Bill, 2017 (HB. 1177) (*Hon. Henry Nwawuba*) — *First Reading*.
 2. Nigerian Maritime Administration and Safety Agency Act (Amendment) Bill, 2017 (HB. 1178) (*Hon. Henry Nwawuba*) — *First Reading*.
 3. National Security Agencies Act (Amendment) Bill, 2017 (HB. 1179) (*Hon. Aminu Sani Jaji*) — *First Reading*.
 4. Explosives Act (Amendment) Bill, 2017 (HB. 1180) (*Hon. Aminu Sani Jaji*) — *First Reading*.
 5. Critical National Assets and Infrastructure Center (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2017 (HB. 1181) (*Hon. Aminu Sani Jaji*) — *First Reading*.
 6. Compulsory, Free Universal Basic Education Act (Amendment) Bill, 2017 (HB. 1182) (*Hon. Afe Olowookere*) — *First Reading*.
 7. National Directorate of Employment Act (Amendment) Bill, 2017 (HB. 1183) (*Hon. Nuhu Danburam A.*) — *First Reading*.
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8. National Boundary Commission Act (Amendment) Bill, 2017 (HB. 1184) (*Hon. Idagbo Ochiglegor*) — *First Reading*.
 9. Electoral Act (Amendment) Bill, 2017 (HB. 1185) (*Hon. Olatoye Temitope S.*) — *First Reading*.
 10. National Offenders Central Registry Bill, 2017 (HB. 1186) (*Hon. Idagbo Ochiglegor*) — *First Reading*.
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PRESENTATION OF REPORTS

1. Committees on Federal Capital Territory and Federal Capital Territory Area Councils and Ancillary Matters:

Hon. Sergius Oseasochie Ogun:

“That the House do receive the Report of the Committees on Federal Capital Territory and Federal Capital Territory Area Councils and Ancillary Matters on a Bill for an Act to Authorise the issue from the Federal Capital Territory Administration Statutory Revenue Fund of the Federal Capital Territory Administration Account, the Total Sum of ₦222,360,551,512 (Two Hundred and Twenty- Two Billion, Three Hundred and Sixty Million, Five Hundred and Fifty-One Thousand, Five Hundred and Twelve Naira) only, of which the Sum of ₦52,574,479,667 (Fifty-Two Billion, Five Hundred and Seventy-Four Million, Four Hundred and Seventy Nine Thousand, Six Hundred and Sixty-Seven Naira) only, is for Personnel Costs and the Sum of ₦40,460,373,354 (Forty Billion, Four Hundred and Sixty Million, Three Hundred and Seventy-Three Thousand, Three Hundred and Fifty-Four Naira) only, is for Overhead Costs whilst the Balance of ₦129,325,698,492 (One Hundred and Twenty Nine Billion, Three Hundred and Twenty-Five Million, Six Hundred and Ninety-Eight Thousand, Four Hundred and Ninety-Two Naira) only, is for Capital Projects for the Service of the Federal Capital Territory, Abuja, for the Financial Year Commencing from 1 January and Ending on 31 December, 2017 (HB 1065)” (*Referred: 17/10/2017*).

2. Committee on National Security and Intelligence

Hon. Aminu Sani Jaji:

“That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on National Security and Intelligence on a Bill for an Act to Amend the Firearms Act, No. 32, Cap. F28, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to increase penalties for Offences, Miscellaneous Provisions under the Act and Other Matters Connected Therewith (HB. 182)” (*Referred: 1/6/2016*).

ORDERS OF THE DAY

BILLS

1. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Asset Management Corporation of Nigeria Act, Cap. A24A, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004; and for Related Matters (HB.1083) (*Hon. Jones Chukwudi Onyerer*) — *Second Reading*.
2. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Usman Dan Fodio University, Sokoto Act, Cap. U14, 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) (*Hon. Abdussamad Dasuki*) — *Second Reading*.
3. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the External Trade Letters of Credit (Control) Act, Cap. E24, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004; and for Related Matters (HB.1152) (*Hon. Daniel Henry Ofongo*) — *Second Reading*.
4. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Family Economic Advancement Programme (Establishment, etc.) Act, Cap. F3, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004; and for Related Matters (HB.1156) (*Hon. Mohammed Gudaji Kazaure*) — *Second Reading*.

5. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Federal Government Staff Housing Board Act, Cap. F11, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004; and for Related Matters (HB. 1160) (*Hon. Gaza Jonathan Gbefwi*) — *Second Reading.*
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MOTIONS

6. **Need for Jos Electricity Distribution Company (JEDC) to Revert to the Metering Code of Nigeria:**
Hon. Solomon Bulus Maren:

The House:

Notes that the Jos Electricity Distribution Company (JEDC) had deployed smart energy meters which do not conform to the metering code specified at a voltage range of 40 percent to 10 percent (144v to 264v);

Also notes that the smart meters are certified with voltage range of 70v to 240v as was revealed by the verification test conducted by the Plateau State Ministry of Water Resources and Energy;

Aware that those smart meters have been installed at the Federal Low Cost, Rantiya Estate, Mazaram Top, Rayfield and DIY Bay;

Also aware that the Nigerian Electricity Management Service Agency had, in response to a request by the Plateau State Ministry of Water Resources and Energy confirmed that the smart meter voltage status does not conform to the Nigerian metering code or the best practices for that type of voltage profile;

Concerned that the most important parameters for energy dispensing and utilization between the utility provider and the consumer have not been adhered to;

Cognizant that if no steps are taken to reverse this trend, the Jos Electricity Distribution Company will continue to short change consumers since the meters are designed to read very low voltage of 70v whereas there are no appliances hitherto that could utilize current at such low voltage;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge the Nigerian Electricity Management Service Agency to direct the Jos Electricity Distribution Company to adjust the operational voltage on their new smart meters from 144 volts to 264 volts as is obtainable in the metering code of Nigeria; and
- (ii) mandate the Committee on Power to ensure implementation and report back within three (3) weeks for further legislative action.

7. **Need for the Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development to Implement the 2017/2018 Dry Season Growth Enhancement Support Scheme (GESS) Programme:**
Hon. Munir Baba Dan Agundi Hon. Muktar Dandutse:

The House:

Notes that Nigeria is blessed with abundant arable land and water resources suitable for cultivation of varieties of crops such as rice, maize, wheat, sorghum, millet, groundnut, cotton, soya bean, beniseed, cassava, oil palm, cocoa, rubber, gum Arabic, horticultural crops and vegetables, all under both rain fall or irrigation, and also the rearing of animals such as cattle, sheep, goat and production of fisheries and aquaculture;

Also notes that farming has become the main occupation of majority of the citizens, especially those living in the rural areas and of recent, some urban dwellers as the country has a vast irrigable land that is suitable for irrigation farming, coupled with available irrigation facilities from the River Basin Development Authorities (RBDAs);

Further notes that the Federal Government established the Growth Enhancement Support Scheme (GESS) as a vehicle to ensure the equitable distribution of farm inputs to farmers nationwide;

Aware that the GES Scheme, based on its Implementation Strategies and Operational Modalities (ISOM), creates redemption centres (selling points) across the country which are close to the farmers to ensure the development and sustenance of the permanent input markets down to the grassroots where the targeted end user farmers reside;

Also aware that the establishment of the GES Scheme ensured that procurement and distribution of farm inputs, elsewhere done directly by Government, has now been transferred to private sector operators, and in the same vein, the beneficiaries of the farm inputs are not only known by names, but by their respective chosen commodity value chains, while their locations and full biometric information are stored in the national database;

Cognizant that the expected impact of the dry season farming, especially in the light of the country's determination to actualize self-sufficiency in rice, wheat and maize production cannot be overemphasized as through its implementation, the nation will meet substantial part of its food requirements and have excess for export to earn the much needed foreign exchange;

Observes that available information on existing irrigable lands, their locations, sources of water and the optimum number of farmers that could utilize the irrigation facilities show that there are 1,179,269.79 hectares of potential irrigable lands, 2,869 number of irrigable facilities that could be used by 1,142,087 farmers during the forthcoming 2017/2018 dry season farming, out of the 14.76 million farmers in the database;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge the Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development to ensure the implementation of the forthcoming 2017/2018 dry season GES programme because of its importance to the nation's desire to ensure self-sufficiency in major staple food crops;
- (ii) also urge the Ministry to support farmers with the required input package for the forthcoming 2017/2018 dry season farming in order to bridge the production gap created by non-implementation of the GES programme during the 2017 wet season; and
- (iii) mandate the Committee on Agricultural Production and Services to ensure implementation.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

8. Committee on Police Affairs:

Hon. Haliru Dauda Jika:

“That the House do resume consideration of the Report of the Committee on Police Affairs on a Bill for an Act to Establish the Vigilante Group of Nigeria (VGN) charged with Responsibilities, among Others, to Provide Community Policing, Maintenance of Law and Order and Community Service for Nigerians and for Related Matters (HB.718) and approve the recommendations therein” (*Adjourned Consideration: 10/10/2017*);

Ranks and Insignia.

- 12. (1) The Commandant General — Coat of Arms, two Stars at the Centre and Vigilante Group of Nigeria logo.

- (2) Deputy Commandant General — Coat of Arms, a Star at the Centre and Vigilante Group of Nigeria logo.
- (3) Assistant Commandant General — Coat of Arms, one Bar at the Centre and Vigilante Group of Nigeria logo.
- (4) Group Commandant — Coat of Arms and Vigilante Group of Nigeria logo.
- (5) Deputy Group Commandant — a Star and Vigilante Group of Nigeria logo.
- (6) Assistant Group Commandant — Vigilante Group of Nigeria logo.
- (7) Chief Group Superintendent — Coat of Arms and one Star.
- (8) Group Superintendent — Coat of Arms.
- (9) Deputy Group Superintendent — three Stars.
- (10) Assistant Group Superintendent I — two Stars.
- (11) Assistant Group Superintendent II — one Star.
- (12) Chief Inspector — four Bars.
- (13) Senior Inspector — three Bars.
- (14) Inspector — two Bars.
- (15) Group Sergeant — three V.
- (16) Corporal — two V.
- (17) Lance Corporal — one V.
- (18) Operative. **Retained.**

9. Committee on Telecommunications:

Hon. Saheed Akinade-Fijabi:

“That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Telecommunications on a Bill for an Act to Amend the Stamp Duties Act, Cap. S8, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to ensure Compliance with Current Realities and for Related Matters (HB. 889) and approve the recommendations therein” (*Laid: 15/6/2017*).

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

<i>Committee</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Venue</i>
1. Rules and Business	Tuesday, 24 October, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 (White House) Assembly Complex
2. Public Petitions (Investigative Hearing)	Tuesday, 24 October, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 429 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
3. Power	Tuesday, 24 October, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 244 New Building (House) Assembly Complex

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| 4. FCT Area Councils and Ancillary Matters | Tuesday, 24 October, 2017 | 3.00 p.m. | Committee Room 144
New Building (House)
Assembly Complex |
| 5. <i>Ad-hoc</i> Committee on the investigation of revenue leakages and activities of the Department of Petroleum Resources | Tuesday, 24 October, 2017 | 3.00 p.m. | Committee Room 324
New Building (House)
Assembly Complex |