



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA ORDER PAPER

Wednesday, 25 April, 2018

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ORDERS OF THE DAY

BILLS

1. Consolidation of Bills:

- (a) 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 for Related Matters (HB. 1219)(*Executive*); and
- (b) A Bill for an Act to Provide for Establishment of the Nigeria Natural Medicine Development Agency 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 (HB. 1383) (*Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta*).

2. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Small and Medium Scale Industries Development Agency (Establishment) Act, 2003 and to Re-Enact the Small and Medium Enterprises Development Agency of Nigeria (SMEDAN) Bill; and for Related Matters (HBs. 803 and 808) – *Third Reading*.
3. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Chartered Institute of Loan and Risk Management of Nigeria, to Provide for the Control of its Membership and Promote the Practice of Loan and Risk Management in Nigeria; and for Related Matters (HB.78) (*Hon. Sylvester Ogbaga*) – *Second Reading*.
4. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Environmental Health Officers (Registration, etc.) Act, No. 11 of 2002 to give the Council more Professional Outlook; and for Related Matters (HB. 29) (*Hon. Gideon L. Gwani*) – *Second Reading*.
5. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Federal University of Agriculture, Igbara, Odo Ekiti to Provide a Specialized University of Agriculture; and for Related Matters (HB.1375) (*Hon. Segun Alexander Adekola*) – *Second Reading*.

MOTIONS

6. **Call to Address the Plight of Victims of Fire Inferno at Gajiram Town, Headquarters of Nganzai Local Government Area of Borno State:**

Hon. Mohammed Tahir Monguno:

The House:

Notes that in the first week of April 2018, a fire disaster ravaged Gajiram, the Headquarters of Nganzai Local government Area of Borno State;

Aware that the inferno burnt almost all the houses in Gajiram and consequently rendered the inhabitants homeless and destroyed food stuff and goods worth millions of Naira;

Also notes that the fire incident started from the Internally Displaced Persons Camp in Gajiram town, which has rendered the Camp uninhabitable;

Worried that the effect of such incident could result into famine if not timeously addressed;

Also aware of the primary responsibility of government to provide shelter, suitable and adequate food for the citizenry;

Resolves to:

- (i) Urge the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) to provide relief materials to victims of the fire incident in order to ameliorate their conditions;
- (ii) Mandate the Committee on Emergency and Disaster Preparedness to ensure compliance

7. **Need to Regulate Blockchain Applications and Internet of Things Technology:**
Hon. Solomon Adaelu:

The House:

Notes the excitement surrounding the Blockchain in technology which has the potency of eradicating poverty in many African Countries;

Also notes that Blockchain as a digital and decentralization ledger technology that records all transactions without the need for financial intermediary bank is new to humanity and can be a core payment facilitator for financial services Industry;

Aware that the world economic leaders at the G20 Finance Ministers Meeting have set a time frame of July 2018 as deadline for the first step towards a unified regulation of crypto currency;

Also aware that the United States of America is ahead of other countries in providing a legal framework for the regulations of this emerging technology, Countries like United Kingdom, Russia, Venezuela and Kenya are not left behind;

Further aware of the recommendations adopted at the extraordinary meeting on Blockchain Technology by the US Congress which require that:

- Policy makers and the public should become more familiar with digital currency and other uses of Blockchain Technology, which has a wide range of applications in the future;
- Regulators should continue to coordinate among each other to guarantee coherent policy frameworks, definitions and jurisdictions;
- Government Agencies at all levels should consider and examine new uses for this technology that could make Government more efficient in performing its functions,

Equally aware of the warning issued by the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) and Nigeria Deposit Insurance Corporation (NDIC) to Nigerians not to trade in crypto currency, but there is need to put in place a legal framework for the regulation of this technology in order to check its negative effect in our society;

Resolves to:

Mandate the Committees on Banking and Currency, Insurance and Actuarial Matters, Finance, Capital Market and Institutions and, Science and Technology to invite the Central Bank of Nigeria, the Nigeria Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Securities and Exchange Commission,

the Ministry of Finance, and the Federal Ministry of Science and Technology to share with the Committees their knowledge of Blockchain and Internet

- (i) of things technology and report back to the House within six (6) weeks for further legislative action;
- (ii) urge the Central Bank of Nigeria to engage technological experts and crypto currency enthusiasts to educate the National Assembly on the benefits of Blockchain to enable it evolve appropriate legislation;
- (iii) also urge the Central Bank of Nigeria to establish desk offices on Blockchain technology in the Central Bank of Nigeria, Nigeria Deposit Insurance Corporation, Ministry of Finance and the Ministry of Science and Technology;
- (iv) Constitute a Committee on Blockchain and Internet of things Technology to interface with relevant Establishments.

8. Need to Reorganize Private Security Guards in Nigeria.
Hon. Jimoh Abdulraheem Olajide

The House:

Notes that Private Security Guard Companies compliment the efforts of the Nigeria Police Force and other security operatives towards ensuring security of lives and property including the maintenance of law and order in Nigeria;

Also notes that in Western countries Private Security Guards outnumber Police Officers as they employ more people as Private Security Guards thus leading to decrease in unemployment rate globally;

Worried that today in Nigeria, it is difficult to distinguish between the Federal Government security operatives from a private security outfit, as well as found it difficult to distinguish the registered Private Security Companies from the unregistered ones due to similitude of uniforms of the different bodies;

Aware that Section 16 (1) and (2) of the Private Guard Companies Act empowers the Minister of Interior to approve uniforms for Private Security Companies and the uniform must not resemble that of the Government security operatives;

Informed that the Inspector-General of Police of Ghana, David Asante-Apeatu, had launched three (3) approved uniforms for the Private security Companies operating in Ghana in order to distinguish them and address the Security threat the private guards uniforms pose in the country;

Convinced of the need to limit the number of uniforms often used by the Private Security Companies in Nigeria so as to address the security threat of fake security officers using different types of uniform and been apprehended on daily basis.

Resolves to:

Mandate the Committees on Interior and Police Affairs to interface with the Nigeria Police Force and, the Nigeria Security and Civil Defence Corp for the purpose of fashioning out and possibly approving a standard uniform for the Private Security Companies in Nigeria to be distinguished through the badges and caps.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

9. Conference Committee on Chartered Institute of Capital Market Registrars Bill, 2017:

Hon. Yusuf Ayo Tajudeen:

‘That the House do consider the Report of the Conference Committee on a Bill for an Act to Establish the Chartered Institute of Capital Market Registrars to Regulate and Control the Practice of Share Registration; and for Related Matters (HB. 79) and approve the recommendations therein” (*Laid 29/3/2018*).

10. Committee on Ports, Harbours and Waterways:

Hon. Patrick Asadu:

Report of the Committee on Ports, Harbours and Waterways on a Bill for an Act to Amend the Coastal and Inland Shipping (Cabotage) Act, No. 5, 2003; and for Related Matters (HB. 529) and approve the recommendations therein” (*Laid 14/11/2017*).

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

	<i>Committee</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Venue</i>
1.	Rules and Business	Wednesday, 25 April, 2018	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 (White House) Assembly Complex
2.	Healthcare Services (<i>with the National Primary Healthcare Development Agency (NPHCDA)</i>)	Wednesday, 25 April, 2018	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 236 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
3.	Aviation	Wednesday, 25 April, 2018	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 324 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
4.	<i>Ad-hoc Committee on Maritime Academy, Oron (Review of Submissions from Stakeholders)</i>	Wednesday, 25 April, 2018	3.00 p.m.	Room 1.55 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
5.	Public Petitions (<i>Investigative Hearing</i>)	Wednesday, 25 April, 2018	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 429 New Building (House) Assembly Complex

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| 6. | <i>Ad-hoc</i> Committee on the Investigation of the Non-Remittance of the Nigerian Social Insurance Trust Fund (NSITF) Contributions by the Federal, States and Local Government | Wednesday, 25 April, 2018 | 3.00 p.m. | Committee Room 1.44
New Building (House)
Assembly Complex |
| 7. | Federal Character (<i>with Federal University Lafia, Lagos University Teaching Hospital and University of Abuja</i>) | Wednesday, 25 April, 2018 | 3.00 p.m. | Committee Room 247
New Building (House)
Assembly Complex |