FOURTH REPUBLIC 10<sup>H</sup> NATIONAL ASSEMBLY (2023–2027) SECOND SESSION No. 11



# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA ORDER PAPER Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> July, 2024

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# **PRESENTATION OF BILLS**

- 1. Code of Conduct Bureau and Tribunal Act (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (HB.1373) (Hon. Terseer Ugbor) First Reading.
- 2. National Food, Road and Rural Infrastructure Development Commission (Establishment) Bill, 2024 (HB.1235) (Hon. Ibrahim Mustapha Aliyu) First Reading.
- **3.** National Institute for Technical and Vocational Education, Awka, Anambra State (Establishment) Bill, 2024 (HB.1323) (*Hon. Obiageli Lilian Orogbu*) *First Reading*.
- 4. Institute of Information and Communication Technology Iwo, Osun State, (Establishment) Bill, 2024 (HB.1324) (*Hon. Mudashiru Lukman Alani*) *First Reading*.
- 5. Regulation of Casual Labour in Nigeria, Bill 2024 (HB.1325) (Hon. Anthony Adepoju) First Reading.

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7.	Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (Alteration) Bill, 2024 (HB.1596) (Hon. Man Manu Soro) – First Reading.				
8.	Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (Alteration) Bill, 2024 (HB.1578) (Hon. Gin Onwusibe & 3 others) – First Reading.				
9.	River Basin Development Authorities Act (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (HB.1497) (Hon. Anayo Onwuegbu) First Reading.				
10.	Petroleum Training Institute Act (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (HB.1595) (Hon. James Faleke) – Fin Reading.				
11.	Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (Alteration) Bill, 2024 (HB.1585) (Hon. Harrison Anozie Nwadike) – First Reading.				
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13.	Merchant Shipping Act (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (HB.1592) (Hon. Francis Ejiroghene Waive) – Fin Reading.				
14.	Coastal and Inland Shipping (Cabotage) Act (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (HB.1593) (Hon. France Ejiroghene Waive) – First Reading				
15.	Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (Sixth Alteration) Bill, 2024 (HB.1583) (Hot Igariwey Iduma Enwo) – First Reading.				
16.	Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (Sixth Alteration) Bill, 2024 (HB.1586) (hon. Man Esset) – First Reading.				
17.	Institute of Chartered Trustees of Nigeria (Establishment) Bill, 2024 (HB.1587) (Hon. Patrick Umoh) First Reading.				
18.	Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (Sixth Alteration) Bill, 2024 (HB.1588) (H Patrick Umoh) – First Reading.				
19.	Nigerian Maritime Administration and Safety Agency Bill, 2024 (HB.1594) (Hon. Francis Ejirogher Waive) – First Reading.				
20.	Federal College of Education Act (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (HB.1571)(Hon. Ifeoluwa Ehindero) – Firs Reading.				
21.	Agricultural Research Council of Nigeria Act (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (HB.1600) (Hon. Ifeoluw Ehindero) – First Reading.				
22.	Nigerian Army College of Education, Ilorin, (Establishment)Bill, 2024 (HB.1601) (Hon. Ahmed Yinka Aluko) – First Reading.				
	PRESENTATION OF REPORTS				
1.	Report of the Conference Committee:				
	Hon. Oluwole Oke: "That the House do receive and edent the Depart of the Conference Committee on a Dill for an Act to Dreceribe				
	"That the House do receive and adopt the Report of the Conference Committee on a Bill for an Act to Prescribe the Salaries, Allowance and Fringe benefits of Judicial Office holders in Nigeria and for Related Matters"				

#### 2. Committee on Health Institutions: Hon. Amos Gwamna Magaji:

"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Health Institutions on a Bill for an Act to Amend the Federal Medical Centres Act and Establish Federal Medical Centre Ako-Nike, Enugu State and for Related Matters (HB. 490)" (*Referred: 23/10/2023*).

#### 3. Committee on Health Institutions: Hon. Amos Gwamna Magaji:

"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Health Institutions on a Bill for an Act to Amend the Federal Medical Centres Act to Provide for Establishment of Federal Medical Centre, Kafanchan, Kaduna State and for Related Matters (HB. 507)" (*Referred: 16/5/2024*).

#### 4. Committee on Health Institutions: Hon. Amos Gwamna Magaji:

"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Health Institutions on a Bill for an Act to Amend the Federal Medical Centres Act and Establish Federal Medical Centre, Osogbo, Osun State and for Related Matters (HB. 478)" (*Referred: 26/10/2023*).

#### 5. Committee on Health Institutions: Hon. Amos Gwamna Magaji:

"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Health Institutions on a Bill for an Act to Amend the Federal Medical Centres Act, to Provide for Establishment of Federal Medical Centre, Sisinbaki Wamba, Nasarawa State and for Related Matters (HB. 709)" (*Referred:6/3/2024*).

#### 6. Committee on Health Institutions: Hon. Amos Gwamna Magaji:

"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Health Institutions on a Bill for an Act to Amend the University Teaching Hospitals (Reconstitution of Boards, etc.) Act, Cap. U15, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and for Related Matters (HB.962)" (*Referred:15/2/2024*).

# 7. Committee on Health Institutions: Hon. Amos Gwamna Magaji:

"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Health Institutions on a Bill for an Act to Amend the Federal Medical Centres Act and Establish the Federal Medical Centre, Ugwuaji Awkunanaw, Enugu State and for Related Matters (HB. 489)" (*Referred:23/11/2023*).

#### 8. Committee on Health Institutions: Hon. Amos Gwamna Magaji:

"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Health Institutions on a Bill for an Act to Provide for Establishment of Federal College of Health Sciences Gaya, Kano State and Related Matters (HB. 31)" (*Referred:2/11/2023*).

# ORDERS OF THE DAY BILLS

- 1. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Federal College of Dental Technology and Therapy Act, No. 8, 2017 and Enact the Federal University of Dental Technology and Therapy, Enugu, Act, 2024 to Make Comprehensive Provisions for Management and Administration of the University; and for Related Matters (HB. 249) *Third Reading*.
- 2. A Bill for an Act to Establish Nigeria French Language Village as an Inter–University Centre for French Studies and for Related Matters (HB.136) *Third Reading*.
- **3.** A Bill for an Act to Establish National Rice Production, Processing and Research Institute, Igbemo–Ekiti, Ekiti State and for Related Matters (HB.584) *Third Reading*.

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4.	A Bill an Act to Provide for Establishment of Federal University of Technology and Environmental Sciences, Iyin Ekiti, Ekiti State and for Related Matters (SB. 174) – <i>Third Reading</i> .
5.	A Bill for an Act to Repeal the National Identity Management Commission Act 2007, and to provide for the Establishment of a National Identity Database and the National Identity Management Commission and for Related Matters (HB. 1281) ( <i>Hon. Julius Ihonvbere</i> ) – <i>Second Reading</i> .
6.	A Bill for an Act to Establish National Youths Welfare Scheme Fund to Manage and Co-ordinate Youth Welfare Service to Reduce challenges in Governance and Security in the Country and for Related Matters (HB. 04) ( <i>Hon. Tajudeen Abbas and Hon. Makki Yalleman</i> ) – <i>Second Reading</i> .
7.	A Bill for an Act to Provide for the Establishment of the Federal University of Technology, Badagry, Lagos State and for Related Matters (HB. 1500) ( <i>Hon. Faleke James Abiodun</i> ) – <i>Second Reading</i> .
8.	A Bill for an Act to Amend Federal Medical Centres Act and Establish Federal Medical Centre, Afam Rivers State and for Related Matters (HB. 1191) ( <i>Hon. Felix Uche Nwaeke</i> ) – <i>Second Reading</i> .
9.	A Bill for an Act to Amend the Industrial Training Fund (ITF) Act, 2011 to clarify ambiguities in the Interpretation of key words in the Principal Act, define important Terms, provide clarity and Precision and enhance the Fund's Sources of Revenue and for Related Matters (HB. 1519) ( <i>Hon. Dolapo Enitan Badru and five others</i> ) – <i>Second Reading</i> .
10.	A Bill for an Act to Amend the Agricultural Research Council of Nigeria Act Cap. A 12 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Provide for Establishment of Federal College of Agriculture and Forestry Fika, Yobe State and for Related Matters (HB. 1023) ( <i>Hon. Muhammed Buba Jajere</i> ) – <i>Second Reading</i> .
11.	A Bill for an Act to Amend the Federal medical Centres Act 2023, to Establish Federal medical Centre, Epe, lagos State and for Related Matters (HB. 1449) ( <i>Hon. Tasir Olawale raji</i> ) – <i>Second Reading</i> .

- 12. A Bill for an Act to Alter the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 to Provide for the Creation of Etiti State out of Abia, Anambra, Ebonyi, Enugu and Imo States and for Related Matters (HB. 1525) (Hon. Amobi Godwin Ogah and four others) Second Reading
- **13.** A Bill for an Act to Establish Federal College of Nursing and Midwifery, Abigorodo, Delta State and for Related Matters (HB. 1307) (*Hon. Thomas Ereyitomi*) *Second Reading*.

# **MOTIONS**

14.Need to Abrogate the Federal Government Policy on Compulsory Retirement of Public Servants<br/>who have attained Eight Years as Directors in Ministries, Departments and Agencies:<br/>Hon Julius O. IhonvbereHon. Kingsley ChindaHon. Ishaya Lalu:

### The House:

*Aware* of the Circular dated 27 July, 2023, with reference No. HCSF/SPO/268/T3/2/37, **"THE REVISED PUBLIC SERVICE RULES (PSR)"**, issued by the Head of Service, directing public servants to comply with the Public Service Rules, 2021, Section 8 (020810) (iv) (a), which stipulates compulsory retirement for directors after eight years, whether or not the director has reached the biological retirement age of 65 years or 40 years in service is in direct conflict with the Harmonized Retirement Age for Teachers in Nigeria Act, 2022;

*Notes* that teachers are public servants with some as directors in the Federal Ministry of Education, it is therefore counterproductive for Directors to be compulsorily retired upon the expiration of eight (8) years in office as Directors when they have not attained the retirement age of 65 or 40 years;

*Also notes* that there is paucity of experienced, trained, youthful, intellectually sound and globally exposed public servants at grade level 17 as Directors in the different Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs) that drive the civil service for productivity and service;

Also aware that Directors attained their positions through years of hard work, excellence, dedication, and management skills development through local and international trainings using Nigerian resources;

*Further notes* that these cadre of Directors having built capacity in relevant arears are now facing the treat of compulsory retirement from service upon the expiration of eight (8) years in position as Directors when they have not attained the age of sixty (60) years nor thirty-five (35) years in public service, thereby robbing the nation of their years of experience, creativity, expertise, innovation, ingenuity and transformative ideas, which will negatively impact productivity in the public service and by extension, the economy;

*Concerned* that noncompliance with the provisions of Harmonized Retirement Age for Teachers in Nigeria Act, 2022, which provides for the retirement age for teachers as 65 years of age or attainments of 40 years in pensionable public service may have dire consequences;

### Resolves to:

- (*i*) urge the Head of Civil Service of the Federation to with immediate effect issue a new notice or rejoinder to her previous notice of July 2023 by withdrawing the circular on the compulsory retirement of Directors upon serving for Eight (8) years; and to ensure compliance.
- *(ii)* mandate the Committees on Public Service Matters and Legislative compliance to ensure compliance.

#### 15. Need to Rehabilitate and Adequately Equip Ahmadu Bello University Teaching Hospital, Shika, Zaria and National Eye Centre, Kaduna: Hon. Hussaini Muhammed Jallo:

### The House:

*Notes* that the Ahmadu Bello University Teaching Hospital, Shika, Zaria, Kaduna and the National Eye Center Kaduna (Institute of Ophthalmology) were established to provide specialist medical attention to the sick, train medical personnel, and undertake research for the advancement of medical knowledge;

*Concerned* that the Hospital, which caters for patients from Kaduna and neighbouring states, is overstretched and lacks adequate equipment to function optimally, especially in critical units such as the Accident and Emergency (A&E) section;

*Also concerned* that the Ahmadu Bello University Teaching Hospital Shika Zaria, which was widely reputed for excellence is currently in a deplorable state and may soon become moribund as most of the equipment are obsolete and non-functional;

*Worried* that considering the rising cases of Eye diseases in the country and the need to fully rehabilitate the National Eye Center Kaduna and complete Phase II of the Eye Center as assigned in the original master plan and also the inadequacy of specialized care for such cases in public hospitals, patients are often referred to private hospitals, which they mostly cannot afford; hence, the increasing death rate;

*Also worried* at the increasing rates of diseases at the Ahmadu Bello University Teaching Hospital Shika Zaria due to lack of adequate doctors and hospital equipments;

*Further worried* about the shortage of experts such as cardiovascular percussionists, anesthetists and heart surgeons in Ahmadu Bello University Teaching Hospital Shika Zaria, Kaduna, and full rehabilitation and equipping of the National Eye Center Kaduna (Institute of Ophthalmology);

Aware that the National Eye Center, Kaduna is reputed to be one of the best in West Africa and needs urgent care and attention;

Resolves to:

- (*i*) urge the Federal Ministry of Health and Social Development to rehabilitate, adequately equip, and recruit qualified personnel for efficient operations at the Ahmadu Bello University Teaching Hospital Shika Zaria, Kaduna, and complete phase II of the National Eye Center Kaduna Institute of Ophthalmology);
- *(ii)* also urge the Federal Government to prepare an emergency 2024 supplementary budget estimates for the rehabilitation of Ahmadu Bello University Teaching Hospital, Zaira and completion of the phase two of National Eye Center Kaduna by 2025
- (*iii*) mandate the Committees on Health Institutions and Specialty Healthcare to conduct a needs assessment of the Ahmadu Bello University Teaching Hospital Shika Zaria, Kaduna, and the National Eye Center Kaduna (Institute of Ophthalmology) and report within four (4) weeks for further legislative action.

### 16. Need to Employ the Use of Modern Technology to Secure the Nation's Borders: Hon. Oby Lilian Orogbu:

### The House:

*Notes* that there are over three hundred and twenty (320) illegal routes into Nigeria that serve as horrendous channels for the influx of inadmissible aliens and goods;

*Also notes* that Nigeria at the moment lacks sufficient security personnel to safeguard the existing illegal routes across the borders;

*Further notes* that the unmanned routes provide avenues for insecurity, proliferation of arms, and dumping of unwholesome goods into the country;

*Concerned* that the porous borders have provided an impetus to the thriving drug and human trafficking routes all over the country;

*Aware* that border policing has since shifted from the mundane use of only human beings to the deployment of sophisticated electronic based equipment for potency;

*Also aware* that the deployment of technologies like electronic sensors, video monitors, and night vision scopes to detect illegal entries has proved more effective in western countries than human security;

*Further aware* that more advanced technologies such as artificial intelligence, (drones) and dark fighter cameras are available to further enhance border controls;

Resolves to:

- *(i)* urge the Nigeria Customs service to beef up the nation's border security with modern technological gadgets;
- (*ii*) mandate the Committees on National Security and Intelligence and Customs and Excise to interface with the relevant agencies of the Executive Arm to ensure implementation and report to within four (4) weeks for further legislative action; and
- (iii) also mandate the Committee on Legislative Compliance to ensure compliance.

### 17. Urgent Call to Revisit School Feeding Policy: Hon. Muktar Umar Zakari:

## The House:

*Notes* that Nigeria's National Home-Grown School Feeding Programme (NHGSFP) was a pilot programme launched in 2004 targeting 12 States to provide a nutritious midday meal to public primary school pupils in the country;

*Also notes* that in 2016, the programme was relaunched nationally, targeting public primary school children using locally sourced ingredients to improve health, stimulate agricultural production, and boost smallholder farmers' income;

*Aware* that the philosophy behind the NHGSFP is to encourage enrollment into the public primary schools, address childhood hunger pangs, and improve their ability to concentrate, learn, and increase school attendance;

*Also aware* that the program aims to create a positive association between school and a basic need, nutrition, which is essential for children's well-being. It aims to increase enthusiasm for school attendance and motivate families to prioritize their children's education, this positive association can lead to improved attendance, academic performance, and overall educational outcomes;

*Concerned* that the suspension of the NHGSFP by the current administration is unsettling for several reasons, namely reduced school enrollment and attendance, compromised health and cognitive development of the children, and disruption of the income of smallholder farmers;

*Recognizes* that addressing the programme's challenges is crucial, but a complete suspension may cause more harm, therefore, it is important to find alternative solutions or efficient implementation of the NHGSFP to ensure Nigerian children continue to benefit from this important initiative;

*Worried* that the cancellation of the program is causing an upsurge in the number of out-of-school children, posing a threat to the country's future and leading to a high rate of crimes, insecurity, and unemployment;

### Resolves to:

- *(i)* urge the Federal Government to revisit the school feeding programme in all Public Primary Schools in Nigeria; and
- (*ii*) mandate the Committees on Special Duties and Finance to invite the Hon. Ministers of Special Duties and Inter-Governmental Affairs, Education, and Finance to revisit the program and propose solutions for its future success.

### 18. Need to Dredge River Benue to Curb Perennial Flooding: Hon. Sekav Dzua Iyortyom:

### The House:

*Notes* that *the River* Benue is one of the two major rivers in Nigeria, a tributary into the River Niger, stretching approximately 1,400 KM and a vital transportation route, water source for irrigation, drinking, and domestic use, supporting agriculture, fishing, and economic activities;

*Also notes* that NEMA conducted a "disaster risk management analysis" and advised Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs) to take proactive steps to mitigate climate change and advised that water bodies across some states be desilted and dredged regularly to make them available for various purposes and conduct routine monitoring to ensure that the rule curve for reservoirs is adhered to; *Further notes* that the former Minister of Transportation informed the Senate Committee on Marine Transport in 2017 that the Federal Government had awarded a contract for the dredging of the River Benue, but nothing has been done;

*Aware* that in October 2022, farmers in Adamawa State struggled to clear off remnants of crops destroyed by flood along the River Benue Valley;

*Worried* that the flood disrupted communities across Nigeria, with hundreds of villages and urban centers totally submerged, over 2.4 million people were displaced, over 600 fatalities recorded, and expansive hectares of farmland across the affected states were swept away. Similarly, over thirteen local governments, including Makurdi and Buruku, were affected by floods emanating from the overflow of the River Benue;

*Also aware* that the worst hit are the agrarian communities hosting the major tributaries of the Benue River that cut across seven of the twenty–three local governments in the state; twelve local government areas were totally submerged, and over 82,000 people were affected, 50 people injured, and 27 deaths, farmlands worth billions were destroyed;

*Observes* that the UN's International Organization for Migration (IOM) noted that floods as a result of heavy downpours have displaced a lot of people, and the already displaced living in IDP camps are being displaced by floods;

*Worried* that every year, Lagdo Dam in Cameroon is opened to free excess water, which then flows through the River Benue, causing flooding in communities located along the river basin and also the major road from Makurdi to Gboko, where whole houses on that road are totally submerged, as well as farming communities along the road destroying houses and property worth billions of Naira;

*Also worried* that in October 2022, the flooding of the river caused an increase in the population of venomous snakes in the Duguri District, Alkaleri Local Government Area of Bauchi State. A July 2013 report indicates that over 200 people in the district died of snake bites. The situation is similar in Benue State, where over 70 persons died, which warranted the Catholic Dioceses of Makurdi, in partnership with the State Government (former Governor Samuel Ortom), to institute a fund to treat victims of snake bites, over 3000 persons have been treated so far.

*Concerned* that if the River Benue is not dredged, the yearly flood occurrences as a result of heavy downpours and the release of water from Lagdo Dam will continue to hit the communities around the river basins, thereby destroying farmlands as well as sacking whole communities, and this will cause food and humanitarian crises and also expose the people to the risks of waterborne diseases.

#### Resolves to:

- (*i*) urge the Federal Ministries of Water Resources, Environment, and Transportation through the National Inland Water Ways Authority (NIWA), Ecological Fund office, and HYPADEC to immediately dredge the River Benue;
- (*ii*) mandate the Committee on Emergency and Disaster Preparedness to liaise with NEMA and the Ministry of Humanitarian and Disaster Management to compensate and rehabilitate those affected by flooding;
- (*iii*) also mandate the Committees on Water Resources, Inland Waterways, Transport, Ecological Fund, and Hydrological Services HYPADEC to liaise with the Ministry of Water Resources, Ministry of Environment, and Ministry of Transportation through the National Inland Water Ways Authority (NIWA) and HYPADEC to ensure compliance.

# 19. Call to Combat a Predicative Flooding and Ravaging Gully Erosion in Dekina Local Government Area of Kogi State: Hon. Haruna Paul Gowon:

# The House:

*Notes that* the Dekina Local Government is a major Political, Educational and Socio-Economic nerve centre in Kogi State, which adjourns four (4) other Local Governments like Bassa, Ofu, Omala and Ankpa Local Government respectively and serves as a gateway and transit route from Omala and Bassa Local Government Area;

Also notes that the incessant menace of flooding and erosion in Dekina Local Government has been a long standing and nagging issue that has plagued Dekina Local Government for over a decade, thus causing loss of lives and property and affected the socio-economic activities the worst hit-areas are Anyigba, Iyale, Odu and Dekina towns;

*Worried* that as raining season intensify, flooding and gully erosion would escalate due to inadequate drainages, poor urban planning, and climate change impact, requiring urgent intervention and sustainable solutions;

### Resolves to:

- (*i*) urge the Federal Government to:
  - (a) urgently establish an Inter-Agency task force comprising of representatives from the Ministry of Environment, Ministry of Water Resources, Ministry of Works and Housing, National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA), to coordinate efforts and execute comprehensive flood and erosion management strategies;
  - (b) implement a community-based initiative, including public awareness campaigns, community training on disaster preparedness and nature-base solutions such as afforestation, watershed management and sustainable land use practices to enhance resilience against flooding and erosion hazards in Dekina Local Government Area;
- (*ii*) also urge the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) and Ecological Fund Office to allocate resources for the immediate implementation of flood control and erosion mitigation measures in Dekina Local Government Area;
- (*iii*) mandate the Committees on Environment, Works, Water Resources, and Ecological Fund to monitor the implementation, progress of the proposed intervention, ensure completion of the projects and to report within four (4) weeks for further legislative action; and
- (*iv*) transmit the resolution to the Executive Governor of Kogi State, Minister of Environment, Minister of Water Resources, Minister of Works, the Director General National Emergency management Agency (NEMA), for consideration and necessary action.

# 20. Clarion call to Review the 2024 JAMB Results and the Entire Education Curriculum: Hon. Marie Enenimiete Ebikake:

### The House:

*Notes* the shocking performance of prospective university candidates in the recently released results by the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB), where only 24% of about 1.9 million candidates who sat for the exams scored above 200;

*Also notes* that only 8,401 candidates, representing 0.5%, scored 300 and above, and 77,070, representing 4.2%, scored 250 and above in 2024 Unified Tertiary Matriculation Examination (UTME), where the maximum score obtainable is 400;

*Observes* that candidates who scored less than 200 in 2024 JAMB examination will gain admission into most of the private universities at the expense of merit due to massive and uncontrollable licenses of universities in the country;

*Worried* that this deplorable development results in the mass production of unemployable university graduates who cannot help themselves or society and, at the same time, worsen the unemployment problem of the country and the attendant high incidence of crime;

*Alarmed* that the JAMB Computer Based Test (CBT) exposed the agonizing divide in the society between the private schools (with computer training from primary schools) and the disadvantaged public schools, particularly in the rural areas with no computer experience, a glaring deficiency that could not be alleviated through a few days of remedial ad hoc measures;

*Aware* that these children are the future of the country and their ability to compete in a globalized world based on solid and qualitative education is our only guarantee to meaningful and fulfilled life;

*Aware* that the future of Nigeria depends on the education and development of the children/ youths and their ability to compete in a globalized world based on solid and qualitative education to guarantee a meaningful and fulfilled life;

*Applauds* the fact that for the first time in JAMB's history, 2024 registration recorded more female than male candidates: 1,007, 275 (50.6%) female candidates and 982, 393 (49.4%) male candidates;

*Regrets* the pathetic media report that a father was arrested for impersonating his son during 2024 JAMB examination, which set in motion a collective guilt on all and sundry to rethink for a better Nigeria;

*Cognizant* that qualitative education is crucial for 21 Century success, and the government must ensure equal opportunities at all levels according to constitutional educational objectives;

Resolves to:

- (*i*) mandate Committee on Examination Bodies to:
  - (a) invite the JAMB Registrar to appraise the 2024 JAMB examination;
  - (b) invite the Executive Secretary National Universities Commission to deliberate on the modalities for establishment of Universities in Nigeria and report within four (4) weeks for further legislative action.
- (*ii*) also mandate the Committee on Legislative Compliance to ensure compliance.

# **CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS**

- 21. A Bill for an for Act to Establish Chartered Institute of Human Capital Development of Nigeria to make Provisions, amongst other things, for Membership and Control of the Profession of Human Capital Development and for Related Matters (HB.1261) *Committee of the Whole:6/6/2024*.
- 22. A Bill for an Act to Establish Chartered Institute of Export and Commodity Brokers of Nigeria to regulate the Practice, Professional Conduct and Promote the highest Standards of Competence among the Members of the Profession and for Related Matters (HB.1262) *Committee of the Whole:6/6/2024*
- 23. A Bill for an Act to Provide for Establishment of Nigerian Maritime University, Okerenkoko and for Related Matters (SB. 75) *Committee of the Whole:13/3/2024*
- 24. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Medical and Dental Practitioners Act, Cap. M8, Laws Federation of Nigeria, 2004; and Enact the Medical and Dental Practitioners Bill and for Related Matters (HB.1043) *Committee of the Whole:20/12/2023*
- **25.** A Bill for an Act to Establish Dietitian Council of Nigeria to Regulate the Profession of Dietitians and for Related Matters (HB.1114) *Committee of the Whole:6/3/2023*.

#### 26. Committee on Shipping Services and Related Matters: Hon. Abdussamad Dasuki:

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Shipping Services and Related Matters Bill for an Act to Repeal the Nigeria Shippers' Council Act, Cap. N133, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and Enact Nigeria Shipping and Port Economic Regulatory Agency and for Related Matters (HB.1038) (*Laid*:9/7/2024).

# **COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

S/N	Committee	Date	Time	Venue
1.	Rules and Business	Thursday 11 July 2024	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 (White House) Assembly Complex
2.	Public Petitions (Investigative Hearing)	Wednesday 10 July 2024	3.00 p.m.	Conference Room 429 (New Building) Assembly Complex
3.	Monitoring and Evaluation of Standing and $Ad - hoc$ Committees	Thursday 11 July 2024	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 348 (New Building) Assembly Complex
4.	FCT Judiciary (Interactive Meeting)	Thursday 11 July 2024	3.00 p.m.	Meeting Room 305 (New Building) Assembly Complex
5.	Federal Character	Thursday 11 July 2024	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 247 (New Building) Assembly Complex
6.	FCT Area Council (with Federal Capital Territory Administration Agencies)	Thursday 11 July 2024	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 327 (New Building) Assembly Complex

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