



**STATE HOUSES OF ASSEMBLY NEWS UPDATES FOR THE  
MONTH OF JULY 2024**

<b>Location Headline and Date</b>	<b>Synopsis</b>	<b>Media and Story Links</b>
<p>Tinubu Signs ₦70,000 Minimum Wage Bill into Law.</p> <p>29<sup>th</sup> July 2024</p>	<p>President Bola Tinubu has signed a new minimum wage bill into law, raising the minimum wage to ₦70,000. The signing at the State House in Abuja follows swift approval by the National Assembly. This landmark decision aims to improve workers' livelihoods and address economic disparities in Nigeria.</p>	<p>For more information on the news, read below:</p> <p>Nigeria Bulletin  <a href="https://nigerianbulletin.com/ams/tinubu-signs-%E2%82%A670-000-minimum-wage-bill-into-law.7350/">https://nigerianbulletin.com/ams/tinubu-signs-%E2%82%A670-000-minimum-wage-bill-into-law.7350/</a></p>
<p>Commission Begins Pro-Rata Salary Payment for Absentee Ebonyi Assembly Workers.</p>	<p>In a bid to sanitize the work habits of the staff of Ebonyi State House of Assembly, the State House of Assembly Service Commission has slammed a</p>	<p>For more information on the news, read below:</p> <p>Independent  <a href="https://independent.ng/commission-begins-pro-rata-salary-payment-for-absentee-ebonyi-assembly-workers/">https://independent.ng/commission-begins-pro-rata-salary-payment-for-absentee-ebonyi-assembly-workers/</a></p>



<p>28<sup>th</sup> July 2024</p>	<p>Pro-rata system of payment of salaries to absentee workers, starting from August 1st, 2024.</p>	
<p>Abia Assembly passes N56.7 billion local govt appropriation bill into law.</p> <p>27<sup>th</sup> July 2024</p>	<p>The Abia State House of Assembly has passed into law, the State Local Council's 2024 Appropriation Bill into law.</p> <p>The Bill which is known as H.A.B 18, is for a byelaw to appropriate over fifty-six billion naira, N56, 732,136,110.00 for the services of the 17 local government councils of the state for the year ending 31st December 2024 and for other related purposes.</p> <p>The Speaker of Abia State House of Assembly, Emmanuel Emeruwa who</p>	<p>For more information on the news, read below:</p> <p>Daily Post  <a href="https://dailypost.ng/2024/07/27/abia-assembly-passes-n56-7-billion-local-govt-appropriation-bill-into-law/">https://dailypost.ng/2024/07/27/abia-assembly-passes-n56-7-billion-local-govt-appropriation-bill-into-law/</a></p>



	<p>announced the passage of the law, said the bill when signed into law by the executive, would be deemed to have come into force on the first day of January 2024 and appreciated his colleagues for their contributions towards the passage.</p>	
<p>Cross River assembly approves Gov. Otu's request to dissolve state electoral commission.</p> <p>26<sup>th</sup> July 2024</p>	<p>The Cross River State House of Assembly has granted Governor Bassey Otu's request to dissolve the Cross River State Independent Electoral Commission (CROSIEC). In a decisive plenary session, 22 out of 25 Assembly members voted in favour, securing the required two-thirds majority to approve Governor Otu's</p>	<p>For more information on the news, read below:</p> <p>Business Day  <a href="https://businessday.ng/news/article/cross-river-assembly-approves-gov-otus-request-to-dissolve-state-electoral-commission/">https://businessday.ng/news/article/cross-river-assembly-approves-gov-otus-request-to-dissolve-state-electoral-commission/</a></p>



	<p>proposal.</p> <p>The approval follows a formal request made on July 16, conveyed in a letter signed by the Secretary to the State Government, Prof. A. Owan Enoh to the House of Assembly. The letter cited significant concerns about CROSIEC’s ineffectiveness, attributing the delay in conducting the 2023 Local Government Council elections to the Commission’s “cavalier work attitude.”</p>	
<p>Cross River Assembly passes N437.8bn 2024 supplementary budget.</p>	<p>The Cross River State House of Assembly on Friday passed the 2024 supplementary budget of N437.876 billion. In the budget, the sum of N151.684 billion was</p>	<p>For more information on the news, read below:</p> <p>Ripples Nigeria  <a href="https://www.ripplesnigeria.com/cross-river-assembly-passes-n437-8bn-2024-supplementary-budget/">https://www.ripplesnigeria.com/cross-river-assembly-passes-n437-8bn-2024-supplementary-budget/</a></p>



<p>26<sup>th</sup> July 2024</p>	<p>appropriated for personnel cost, N283.333 billion for capital expenditure, and N2.857 billion was approved for statutory expenditure.</p> <p>Governor Bassey Otu presented the Supplementary Appropriation Bill to the Assembly on July 18.</p>	
<p>Lagos Assembly Pleads with Youths Over Planned Protest.</p> <p>25<sup>th</sup> July 2024</p>	<p>The Lagos State House of Assembly on Thursday held a plenary session calling on Governor Babajide Sanwo-Olu to take major steps to avert the planned nationwide protest in the State.</p> <p>The lawmakers, in a 'Matter of Urgent Public Importance' brought by Majority Leader Noheem</p>	<p>For more information on the news, read below: Independent <a href="https://independent.ng/lagos-assembly-pleads-with-youths-over-planned-protest/">https://independent.ng/lagos-assembly-pleads-with-youths-over-planned-protest/</a></p>



	<p>Adams, noted the devastation caused by the EndSARS protest of 2020 in Lagos and urged the governor to organise townhall meetings with major stakeholders to fashion out ways to calm the youth and those who plan to support proposed protest.</p>	
<p>Cross River Assembly orders prosecution of illegal miners in Boki LGA.</p> <p>25<sup>th</sup> July 2024</p>	<p>The State House of Assembly has called on the state government, through its relevant agencies, to stop the activities of migrants engaged in illegal mining in Okwa 1 and 2 and Ukwango in Boki Local Government Area.</p> <p>The Assembly further resolved that security agencies be</p>	<p>For more information on the news, read below:</p> <p>Tribune Nigeria</p> <p><a href="https://tribuneonlineng.com/cross-river-assembly-orders-prosecution-of-illegal-miners-in-boki-lga/">https://tribuneonlineng.com/cross-river-assembly-orders-prosecution-of-illegal-miners-in-boki-lga/</a></p>



	<p>deployed to the affected communities to arrest and prosecute the Fulani miners while advocacy groups should be engaged to educate community leaders on the ills of allowing illegal mining in their communities.</p> <p>The House of Assembly made the resolution sequel to a matter of urgent public importance on the encroachment of Fulanis in Okwa 1 and 2 and Ukwango communities in Boki LGA, sponsored by the Member representing Boki 1 State Constituency, Hon Bette Philip Obi.</p>	
<p>Kaduna assembly repeals Zaria, Kafanchan, Kaduna</p>	<p>The Kaduna State House of Assembly on Wednesday repealed the laws that</p>	<p>For more information on the news, read below:</p> <p>Blueprint  <a href="https://blueprint.ng/kaduna-assembly-repeals-zaria-kafanchan-kaduna-authorities-laws/">https://blueprint.ng/kaduna-assembly-repeals-zaria-kafanchan-kaduna-authorities-laws/</a></p>



<p>authorities' laws.</p> <p>25<sup>th</sup> July 2024</p>	<p>established the Zaria Metropolitan Authority, Kafanchan Municipal Authority, and the Kaduna Capital Territory Authority in 2021.</p> <p>The Speaker, Dahiru Liman, passed the bill for a law to repeal the law after the Chairman, Joint Committee on the three authorities' law and judicial law presented a report to the house.</p> <p>The News Agency of Nigeria (NAN) reports that Mahmud Lawal , Ali Kalat and Auwal Muhammad presented a report for a bill to repeal Zaria, Kafanchan and Kaduna Capital Territory Authorities, respectively.</p>	
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	<p>The house also repealed the law establishing the Fire and Public Safety Law No.20 of 2018 and enacted the Kaduna State Fire and Public Safety Law, 2024.</p> <p>The law was enacted after the chairman of the Joint Committee on Security and Intelligence and Judiciary, Munirat Suleiman, presented a report on the bill to the house.</p>	
<p>Supreme Court judgment: Jigawa Assembly to revive old electoral law.</p> <p>20<sup>th</sup> July</p>	<p>A bill seeking to repeal the Jigawa State Independent Electoral Commission Law 2024 and re-enact Law 2012 has passed its first and second readings at the Jigawa State House of Assembly.</p>	<p>For more information on the news, read below:  <b>PUNCH</b>  <a href="https://punchng.com/scourt-judgment-jigawa-assembly-to-revive-old-electoral-law/">https://punchng.com/scourt-judgment-jigawa-assembly-to-revive-old-electoral-law/</a></p>



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This followed a motion moved by the Majority Leader of Jigawa State House of Assembly, Mr Lawan Muhammad (APC-Roni) and seconded by Mr Muhammad Inuwa (APC-Kazaure) at a plenary on Friday.

Muhammmad said the bill seeks to repeal the JISEIC amendment No. 1 Law, No. 7, 2024 to re-enact the provisions of Sections 64 and 65 of the JISEIC Law Cap J19, Laws of Jigawa State 2022 and for related matters.

The Speaker, Mr Haruna Aliyu, who presided over the plenary, asked the majority leader to suspend order 12 and rule 81 for the bill to be read



	for the second time.	
<p>Kano assembly passes bill to create second class emirates.</p> <p>16<sup>th</sup> July 2024</p>	<p>Kano State House of Assembly on Tuesday passed a bill into law for the establishment of 2nd class Emirates in the state.</p> <p>It would be recalled that the House took the first reading of the bill before embarking on recess, which they resumed yesterday.</p> <p>After the second and third reading of the bill, the Deputy Speaker, Muhammad Butubutu, moved for its adoption and passage during its plenary presided over by the Speaker, Jibril Falgore.</p>	<p>For more information on the news, read below:</p> <p>PUNCH  <a href="https://punchng.com/kano-assembly-passes-bill-to-create-second-class-emirates/">https://punchng.com/kano-assembly-passes-bill-to-create-second-class-emirates/</a></p>
Age	Imo State	For more information on the news, read below:



<p>Falsification : Imo Assembly Recommends Chief Judge Sack</p> <p>13<sup>th</sup> July 2024</p>	<p>House of Assembly has adopted the recommendations of its ad-hoc committee that Governor Hope Uzodimma should remove the chief judge, Justice Theresa Ebere Chukwuemeka Chikeka, for age falsification.</p> <p>The lawmakers said it was in pursuant to section 292 of the 1999 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria (as amended).</p> <p>They also adopted the committee's recommendation that the report be forwarded to the National Judicial Council (NJC) for further action.</p>	<p>Leadership  <a href="https://leadership.ng/age-falsification-imo-assembly-recommends-chief-judge-sack/">https://leadership.ng/age-falsification-imo-assembly-recommends-chief-judge-sack/</a></p>
<p>Kaduna Assembly amends electoral</p>	<p>The Kaduna State House of Assembly amends its</p>	<p>For more information on the news, read below:  Pulse (NAN)  <a href="https://www.pulse.ng/news/local/kaduna-">https://www.pulse.ng/news/local/kaduna-</a></p>



<p>law; discards electronic voting.</p> <p>11<sup>th</sup> July 2024</p>	<p>Electoral Law 2021, amending it to the ballot manual system of voting. It was also recommended that the term “Electronic Device“ be deleted wherever it appears and that in the body of the Law, the term “Ballot Receipt” be deleted.</p>	<p><a href="https://www.cislac.org/assembly-amends-electoral-law-discards-electronic-voting/mr2sqnx">assembly-amends-electoral-law-discards-electronic-voting/mr2sqnx</a></p>
<p>Ebonyi State Assembly Passes Electricity Bill into Law.</p> <p>11<sup>th</sup> July 2024</p>	<p>The Ebonyi State House of Assembly has passed into law a bill to establish state electricity and other matters connected thereto.</p> <p>The passage of the bill into law took place at a plenary session presided over by the Speaker, Moses Ije-Odunwa.</p> <p>The law, which is deemed to have come into force on Tuesday, July</p>	<p>For more information on the news, read below:</p> <p>Daily Post  <a href="https://dailypost.ng/2024/07/11/ebonyi-assembly-passes-electricity-bill-into-law/">https://dailypost.ng/2024/07/11/ebonyi-assembly-passes-electricity-bill-into-law/</a></p>



	<p>9, 2024, was cited as the Ebonyi State Electricity Law 2024</p>	
<p>Stakeholders Applaud Lagos State Electricity Bill 2024.</p> <p>11<sup>th</sup> July 2024</p>	<p>Stakeholders in Nigeria’s power sector have commended the Lagos State government for coming up with an electricity bill to take advantage of the removal of electricity from the exclusive legislative list.</p> <p>They gave the commendation on Wednesday at a public hearing on the Lagos State Electricity Bill 2024 at the Assembly complex in Alausa, Ikeja.</p> <p>The Lagos State Electricity Bill 2024 repeals the Electric Power Sector Reform Law 2018 and creates a body that will regulate electricity for</p>	<p>For more information on the news, read below:</p> <p>Radio Nigeria Lagos  <a href="https://radionigerialagos.gov.ng/stakeholders-applaud-lagos-state-electricity-bill-2024/">https://radionigerialagos.gov.ng/stakeholders-applaud-lagos-state-electricity-bill-2024/</a></p>



	<p>the Lagos market targeting the underserved and unserved areas.</p> <p>It also means that Lagos will no longer rely on the national grid for its electricity supply with other options available to it.</p> <p>The Deputy Speaker of the Lagos State Assembly, Mrs Mojisola Miranda said the electricity bill was in response to the fifth alteration of the 1999 Constitution which puts electricity on the concurrent legislative list.</p> <p>“The bill is pursuant to our resolve to improve electricity situation in the state since the Federal Government has put electricity on the concurrent</p>	
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	<p>list. Our state, being very proactive decided to pull the bull by the horn and set a laudable standard for others to follow,” said the Deputy Speaker.</p>	
<p>Kogi Moves to Deepen Transparency in Governance, Incorporates OGP Action Plan into Budget.</p> <p>11<sup>th</sup> July 2024</p>	<p>Civil society organizations applauded Kogi state government for taking bold steps to deepen accountability and transparency in governance.</p> <p>Speaking at a one-day dissemination meeting on Open Government Partnership (OGP) in Lokoja on Thursday, civil society organizations said allocation of N165.1 million for OGP state action plan in the revised 2024 budget by Kogi state government is</p>	<p>For more information on the news, read below:</p> <p>Kogi Reports  <a href="https://kogireports.com/kogi-moves-to-deepen-transparency-in-governance-incorporates-ogp-action-plan-into-budget/">https://kogireports.com/kogi-moves-to-deepen-transparency-in-governance-incorporates-ogp-action-plan-into-budget/</a></p>





	<p>commendable.</p> <p>Executive Director of Initiative for Grassroot Advancement (INGRA), Hamza Aliyu, said though the budgetary allocation to OGP was relatively small, the inclusion is good start.</p>	
<p>Bill to create 74 extra legislative seats for women passes second reading.</p> <p>9<sup>th</sup> July 2024</p>	<p>A bill seeking the creation of 74 seats for women in the federal parliament passed a second reading in the House of Representatives on Tuesday.</p> <p>The bill Sponsored by Deputy Speaker, Benjamin Kalu and 12 others seeks to alter Sections 48, 49, 71, and 117 of the 1999 Constitution (as amended) to create one “Special seat reserved exclusively for</p>	<p>For more information on the news, read below:</p> <p>PUNCH  <a href="https://punchng.com/bill-to-create-74-extra-legislative-seats-for-women-passes-second-reading/">https://punchng.com/bill-to-create-74-extra-legislative-seats-for-women-passes-second-reading/</a></p>



	<p>women in the Senate and House of Representatives for each state of the federation and the Federal Capital Territory .”</p> <p>The bill proposes to take effect after the term of the current national assembly elapses and is subject to review every 16 years.</p> <p>The bill also proposes to alter Section 91 of the constitution to provide for three special seats “Reserved exclusively” for women in the State Houses of Assembly.</p>	
<p>S/East: Bill for Creation Of New State Passes First Reading At Reps.</p>	<p>A bill proposing the creation of a new state in Nigeria’s southeast geopolitical zone has passed first reading in the</p>	<p>For more information on the news, read below:</p> <p><a href="https://thewhistler.ng/s-east-bill-for-creation-of-new-state-passes-first-reading-at-reps/">https://thewhistler.ng/s-east-bill-for-creation-of-new-state-passes-first-reading-at-reps/</a></p>



<p>2<sup>nd</sup> July 2024</p>	<p>House of Representatives</p> <p>.</p> <p>The proposed legislation, co-sponsored by lawmakers Amobi Ogah (Abia), Miriam Onuoha (Imo), Kama Nkemkama (Ebonyi), Chinwe Nnabuife (Anambra), and Anayo Onwuegbu (Enugu), seeks to establish the state of Etiti, with Lokpanta as its capital.</p>	
<p>Imo Assembly in turmoil as four members are suspended amid impeachment talk.</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> July 2024</p>	<p>The Imo State House of Assembly has been plunged into controversy following the suspension of four lawmakers, on Tuesday.</p> <p>The Speaker of Imo State House of Assembly, Chike Olemgbe, on Tuesday, announced the</p>	<p>For more information on the news, read below:</p> <p>Ripples  <a href="https://www.ripplesnigeria.com/imo-assembly-in-turmoil-as-four-members-are-suspended-amid-impeachment-talk/">https://www.ripplesnigeria.com/imo-assembly-in-turmoil-as-four-members-are-suspended-amid-impeachment-talk/</a></p>



	<p>suspension of the four members for an alleged plot to impeach him.</p> <p>The suspended lawmakers included Samuel Otuibe representing Ahiazu-Mbaise; Henry Agbasonu from Ezinihitte-Mbaise; Chidiebere Ogbunikpa representing Okigwe, and Dominic Ezerigha representing Oru-West.</p>	
<p>Tension in Benue as police arrest lawmaker.</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> July 2024</p>	<p>There is anxiety in Ogbadibo Local Government Area of Benue State over the alleged arrest of a member representing Ogbadibo state constituency in the Benue State House of Assembly, Hon. Samuel Agada by the police.</p> <p>DAILY POST gathered that</p>	<p>For more information on the news, read below:</p> <p>Daily Post  <a href="https://dailypost.ng/2024/07/02/tension-in-benue-as-police-arrest-lawmaker/">https://dailypost.ng/2024/07/02/tension-in-benue-as-police-arrest-lawmaker/</a></p>



	<p>Agada was arrested following an altercation with the police when he went to secure the release of a constituent.</p> <p>Sources said Agada was manhandled unjustly by the police, which infuriated his aides who protested it.</p>	
<p>Declare state of emergency on drug abuse, Edo assembly tells FG.</p> <p>1<sup>st</sup> July 2024</p>	<p>The Edo House of Assembly has called on the Federal Government to declare a state of emergency on substance abuse and illicit drug trafficking in Nigeria.</p> <p>The Deputy Speaker, Mrs Maria Oligbi-Edeko who made the call in Benin during a rally by Smile Africa international youth initiative, said a state of</p>	<p>For more information on the news, read below: Tribune <a href="https://tribuneonlineng.com/declare-state-of-emergency-on-drug-abuse-edo-assembly-tells-fg/">https://tribuneonlineng.com/declare-state-of-emergency-on-drug-abuse-edo-assembly-tells-fg/</a></p>



	<p>emergency was the only solution to tackling the menace.</p> <p>The International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking is being held on June 26 every year.</p>	
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