TIMELINE OF THE PETROLEUM INDUSTRY ACT



APRIL 2000 - AUGUST 2021

April, 2000

Inauguration of the OGRC by former President Obasanjo, with a mandate to review and streamline all existing petroleum laws and advise on establishing a regulatory framework for the sector.

2005

Inauguration of Oil and Gas Implementation Committee (OGIC) to bring to life recommendations made by the OGRC.

2007

OGIC summitted Committee Report to the President with some of the recommendations morphed into what has since been known as the PIB.

September, 2008

Introduction of first version of PIB to NASS by Late President Yar'Adua

July, 2012

Introduction of second version of PIB to NASS by former President Jonathan

July, 2013

Public hearing by HoR Ad-hoc Committee and Senate Joint Committee on PIB

June, 2015

HoR passed the PIB but without concurrence from the Senate

January, 2016

Introduction of multiple bills to Senate: Petroleum Industry and Governance Bill (PIGB), 2016; Host Communities Entitlement and Protection Bill, 2016 and Petroleum Industry Fiscal Bill, 2017, sponsored by Senator Tayo Alasoadura

January, 2016

HoR considered four other PIB-related bills: PIB, 2016; Petroleum Industry Fiscal Framework Bill, 2016; Petroleum Host Community Development Bill, 2016; and Petroleum Industry Administration Bill sponsored by Honourable Victor Nwokolo

January, 2016

HoR considered the Nigerian PIB, 2016 sponsored by Honourable Daniel Reyenieju

July, 2017

Introduction of PIAB, 2017 to the Senate, co-sponsored by Sen. Kabir Gaya and Sen. Bassey Akpan.

January, 2018

HoR passed a version of the PIGB, 2016 sponsored by Honourable Pally Irase

March, 2018

Senate passed the PIGB

June, 2018

Senate sent the harmonized draft PIGB to President Buhari for final assent into law

July, 2018

President Buhari declined assent to the harmonized draft PIGB citing constitutional and legal reasons

March, 2019

Senate and HoR reconsidered the PIB

April, 2019

Senate passed the PIB after reconsideration

May, 2019

HoR passed the PIB. President Buhari decline assent to the harmonized draft Bill due to time constraint

September, 2020

Introduction of a new version of the PIB to NASS by President Buhari

October, 2020

Senate passed the PIB for second reading

November, 2020

HoR passed the PIB for second reading

January, 2021

Public hearing by Senate Joint Committee and HoR Ad-hoc Committee on PIB

July, 2021

Senate and HoR passed the PIB

August, 2021

President Buhari assents to the PIB