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HB. 30

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE NIGERIAN COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION ACT CAP. N97 LAWS OF THE FEDERATION OF NIGERIA, 2004, TO PROVIDE FOR REMITTANCE OF ALL MONIES RECEIVED BY THE COMMISSION INTO THE FEDERATION ACCOUNT PURSUANT TO SECTION 162 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA, 1999 (AS ALTERED); AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon. Benjamin Okezie Kalu

[] Commencement

BE IT ENACTED by the National Assembly of the Federal Republic of Nigeria as follows-

- 1 **1.** The Nigerian Communications Commission Act, Cap. N97, Amendment of
 2 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 (herein referred to as the "Principal Cap. N97 LFN,
 3 Act") is amended as set out in this Bill. 2004
- 4 **2.** Section 17 of the Principal Act is amended by substituting for Amendment of
 5 the existing section 17, a new section 17- Section 17
- 6 "17.-(1) The Funds of the Commission shall consist of-
- 7 (a) such funds as budgetary allocations, trust funds, subventions,
 8 grants-in-aid and loans as may, from time to time, be made by the Federal
 9 Government;
- 10 (b) such sums or property which may, from time to time by way of
 11 loans or grants and gifts accrue to the Commission from any other
 12 Government, non- governmental bodies or individuals; and
- 13 (c) other monies received by the Commission which may in any
 14 way, become payable to or vested in the Commission by way of revenues,
 15 fees, levies, taxes, penalties, gifts, grants-in-aid, testamentary disposition
 16 and all other assets that may from time to time accrue to the Commission.
- 17 (2) All monies received by or on behalf of the Commission shall be

- Citation
- 1 receipted and remitted into the Federation Account immediately.”
- 2 3. This Bill may be cited as the' Nigerian Communications
- 3 Commission Act (Amendment) Bill, 2019.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend the Nigerian Communications Commission Act, Cap. N97 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004, to provide for the remittance of all monies received by the Commission into the Federation Account pursuant to Section 162 of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as altered).

FEDERAL CAPITAL TERRITORY EDUCATION RESOURCE CENTRE
(ESTABLISHMENT, ETC.) BILL, 2019
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A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE FEDERAL CAPITAL TERRITORY EDUCATION RESOURCE CENTRE CHARGED WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY TO, AMONG OTHER THINGS, PLAN AND IMPLEMENT CURRICULUM; MEASURE AND EVALUATE STUDENTS AND OTHER APPLICANTS FOR PLACEMENT INTO SCHOOLS UNDER THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE FEDERAL CAPITAL TERRITORY; AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon. Benjamin Okezie Kalu

[] Commencement

BE IT ENACTED by the National Assembly of the Federal Republic of Nigeria as follows-

1 PART I - ESTABLISHMENT, COMPOSITION, ETC. OF THE FEDERAL

2 CAPITAL TERRITORY EDUCATION RESOURCE CENTRE

3 1.-(1) There is hereby established for the Federal Capital Territory
4 Education Resource Centre (in this Bill referred to as "the Centre").

Establishment of
the Federal Capital
Territory Education
Resource Centre

5 (2) The Centre-

6 (a) shall be a body corporate with perpetual succession; and

7 (b) may sue and be sued in its corporate name.

8 2.-(1) The supervision of the Centre shall be under the department
9 responsible for Education in the Federal Capital Territory.

Administration
and supervision
of the Centre

10 (2) The Centre shall be headed by a Director who shall be-

11 (a) the administrative and professional head of the Centre;

12 (b) an experienced public servant and education; and

13 (c) appointed on merit by the Minister on the recommendation of

14 the person responsible for Education in the Federal Capital Territory.

15 (3) There shall be a Secretary who shall be-

16 (a) in charge of the general administration and common services of

17 the Centre; and

	1	(b) a public servant, appointed on merit by the Minister on the
	2	recommendation of the person responsible for Education in the Federal Capital
	3	Territory.
	4	(4) There shall be Deputy Directors who shall be responsible for-
	5	(a) Curriculum Planning and Development Department;
	6	(b) Measurement and Evaluation Department;
	7	(c) Guidance and Counselling Department;
	8	(d) Library Services Department;
	9	(e) Planning, Research and Statistics Department;
	10	(f) Education and Information Technology Department;
	11	(g) Administration, Finance and Accounts Department; and
	12	(h) such other departments as may be established from time to time.
Terms of officer of Director and other staff of the Centre	13	3. The Director and other staff of the Centre shall be public servants
	14	and shall hold office in accordance with the Public Service Rules.
	15	PART II - FUNCTIONS OF THE CENTRE
Functions of the Centre	16	4. The Centre shall be charged with the responsibilities for-
	17	(a) curriculum planning and implementation;
	18	(b) the conduct of examinations for schools under the administration
	19	of the Federal Capital Territory;
	20	(c) the admissions into schools under the administration of the
	21	Federal Capital Territory;
	22	(d) measurement and evaluation for admission, placement,
	23	promotion and certification of the Junior Secondary School (JSS)
	24	Examinations and authentication;
	25	(e) evaluation and authentication of local and international certificate
	26	for government agencies;
	27	(f) the printing of examinations certificate and other official
	28	documents;
	29	(g) the preparation and distribution of teaching schemes and selection
	30	of school text books;

- 1 (h) the provision of guidance and counselling services to schools
2 and the general public;
3 (i) the development and provision of library services to schools and
4 the general public;
5 (j) the development and distribution of instructional and training
6 materials to schools;
7 (k) the conduct of research into topical educational issues and
8 publications;
9 (l) the provision of science, language, workshop/conference
10 facilities for schools, out of school learners and the general public;
11 (m) data collection, collation, analysis and dissemination of
12 research information on educational matters;
13 (n) printing and consultancy services in book review,
14 examinations, library, guidance, conference and general training matters;
15 and
16 (o) teacher training and retraining.

17 PART III - GENERAL ADMINISTRATION OF THE CENTRE

18 **5.-(1)** The general administration of the Centre shall be guided by General
19 the National Policy on Education and the Public Service Rules. administration
20 of the Centre

21 (2) The Director shall be the Head and accounting officer of the
22 Centre.

23 (3) The Secretary shall be the head of the general administration
24 and common services department.

25 **6.** The Centre shall have the power to appoint, promote and Appointment
26 discipline staff of the Centre in accordance with the Public Service Rules. and discipline
27 of staff

28 **7.** The Centre may delegate any of its duties under section 4 and 6 Delegation of
29 of this Bill to any of the heads of departments. duties

30 **8.-(1)** It is hereby declared that the service in the Centre shall be Pension Reform
31 approved service for the purpose of the Pension Reform Act 2004 and Act, 2004
32 accordingly, employees of the Centre shall be entitled to pensions, gratuities

1 and other retirement benefits as are prescribed under the Pension Reform Act.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (1) of this section, nothing in this Bill shall prevent the appointment of a person to any office on terms which preclude the grant of a pension, gratuity or other retirement benefit in respect of that office.

(3) For the purposes of the application of the provisions of the Pension Reform Act, any power exercisable by the Minister or other authority of the Federal Capital Territory Administration, other than the power to make regulations, is hereby vested in and shall be exercisable by the Management of the Centre and not by any other person or authority.

11 PART IV - FINANCIAL PROVISIONS

Funds of the Centre

12 **9.-(1)** The Centre shall establish and maintain a fund from which shall
13 be defrayed expenditure incurred by the Centre.

(2) There shall be credited to the fund established pursuant to subsection (1) of this section such monies as may be provided by the Federal Capital Territory Administration with the approval of the Minister for the running of the Centre and all other assets accruing, from time to time, to the Centre.

Expenditure of the Centre

19 **10.** The Centre may from time to time, apply the proceeds of the fund
20 of the Centre established in pursuance of section 9 of this Bill-

21 (a) to meet the administrative and operating costs of the Centre;

(b) for the purchase or acquisition of property, equipment and other capital expenditure and for the maintenance of any property acquired or vested in the Centre;

25 (c) for purposes of investment; and

(d) for or in connection with all or any of the functions of the Centre
under this Bill or its subsidiary legislation.

Annual estimates
and accounts

28 **11.-(1)** The Centre shall, not later than 30th September in each year,
29 submit through the person responsible for Education in the Federal Capital
30 Territory to the Minister an estimate of its expenditure and income (including

1 payments to the Centre) for the next succeeding year.

(2) The Centre shall keep proper accounts in respect of each year and proper records in relation to those accounts and shall cause its accounts to be audited within 6 months after the end of each year by auditors appointed from the list and in accordance with the guidelines supplied by the Auditor-General of the Federation.

7 **12.** The Centre shall prepare and submit through the department Annual reports
8 responsible for Education in the Federal Capital Territory to the Minister,
9 not later than 6 months after the end of each year, a report in such form as he
10 may direct on the activities of the Centre during the immediate preceding
11 year and shall include in such report a copy of the audited accounts of the
12 Centre for that year and the auditor's report on the accounts.

13 **13.-(1)** The Centre may, from time to time, borrow by overdraft or Power to borrow
14 otherwise such sums as it may require for the performance of its functions
15 under this Bill, upon the approval of the Minister.

(2) The Centre shall not, without the approval of the Minister, borrow money which exceeds, at any time, the amount specified by the Minister.

19 **14.** The Centre may, subject to the provisions of this Bill and the Investment
20 conditions of any trust created in respect of any property, invest all or any of
21 its funds in any securities prescribed by the Trustees Investment Act or in
22 such other securities as may, from time to time, be approved by the Minister.

23 PART V - LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

24 25 26	<p>15.-(1) Subject to the provisions of the Bill, the provisions of the</p> <p>Public Officers Protection Act shall apply in relation to any suit instituted</p> <p>against an officer or employee of the Centre.</p>	<p>Limitation of suit against the Centre</p>
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(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in any enactment, no suit against a member of the administrative team or any officer or any employee of the Centre for any act done in pursuance or execution of this Bill or any other enactment or law or any public duty or authority; or in respect of any

1 alleged neglect or default in the execution of this Bill or any other enactment or
 2 law, duty or authority, shall lie or be instituted in any court unless it is
 3 commenced-

4 (a) within 3 months next after the act, neglect or default complained
 5 of; or

6 (b) in the case of a continuation of damage or injury, within 6 months
 7 next after the ceasing thereof.

8 (3) No suit shall be commenced against a member of the
 9 administrative team or any other officer or employee of the Centre before the
 10 expiration of a period of 1 month after written notice of the intention to
 11 commence the suit shall have been served on the Centre by the intending
 12 plaintiff or his agent.

13 (4) The notice referred to in subsection (3) of this section shall clearly
 14 and explicitly state the cause of action, the particulars of the claim, the name
 15 and place of abode of the intending plaintiff and the relief which he claims.

Restriction on
 execution against
 property of the
 Centre

16 **16.** A notice, summons or other document required or authorized to
 17 be served on the Centre under the provisions of this Bill or any other enactment
 18 or law may be served by delivering it to the Director or by sending it by
 19 registered post addressed to the Director as the principal officer of the Centre.

Service of
 document

20 **17.-(1)** In any action or suit against the Centre, no execution or
 21 attachment of process in the nature thereof shall be issued against the Centre
 22 unless not less than 3 months' notice of the intention to execute or attach has
 23 been given to the Centre.

24 (2) Any sum of money which by the judgement of any court has been
 25 awarded against the Centre shall, subject to any direction given by the court
 26 where notice of appeal against the judgement has been given, be paid from the
 27 fund of the Centre.

Indemnity of
 Officers

28 **18.** A member of the administrative team or any officer or employee
 29 of the Centre shall be indemnified out of the assets of the Centre against any
 30 liability incurred by him in defending any proceeding, whether civil or

1 criminal, if the proceeding is brought against him in his capacity as a
2 member, Director, officer or other employee of the Centre.

3 **19.-(1)** A member of the administrative team or any officer or Secrecy
4 employee of the Centre shall-

5 (a) not, for his personal gain, make use of any information which
6 has come to his knowledge in the exercise of his power or is obtained by him
7 in the ordinary course of his duty as a member of the administrative team or
8 as an officer or employee of the Centre;

9 (b) treat as confidential any information which has come to his
10 knowledge in the exercise of his power or is obtained by him in the
11 performance of his duties under this Bill;

12 (c) not disclose any information referred to under paragraph (b) of
13 this subsection, except when required to do so by a court or in such other
14 circumstances as may be prescribed by the supervisory team, from time to
15 time.

16 (2) Any person who contravenes the provisions of subsection (1) of
17 this section commits an offence and is liable on conviction to imprisonment
18 for a term of not exceeding 2 years or a fine not less than N20,000 or to both
19 such imprisonment and fine.

20 **20.** The Minister may give to the Centre or the Director such Directives by the
21 directives of a general nature or relating generally to matters of policy with Minister
22 regard to the exercise of its or his functions as he may consider necessary
23 and it shall be the duty of the Centre or the Director to comply with the
24 directives or cause them to be complied with.

25 **21.** The Minister may, make such regulations as are necessary or Regulations
26 expedient for giving full effects to the provisions of this Bill and for the due
27 administration of its provisions.

28 **PART VI - MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS**

29 **22.** The Centre shall, from time to time, constitute committees Committees
30 necessary for its functions.

Relationship with other bodies	1	23. The Centre shall maintain good working relationship with related
	2	national bodies, other States Education Resource Centres, examination bodies,
	3	universities, research institutions and other such bodies as may be useful to the
	4	enhancement of the performance of its functions.
Interpretation	5	24 In this Bill, unless the context otherwise requires-
	6	"administrative team" includes the Director and all Heads of Departments of
	7	the Centre;
	8	"Centre" means the Federal Capital Territory Education Resource Centre;
	9	"Director" means the Director of the Centre;
	10	"Management committee" of the Department responsible for Education
	11	comprises the person responsible for Education in the Federal Capital Territory
	12	as Chairman, and the Education Agencies/Boards which shall for the time
	13	being include the Director DPI, the Chairman SES, the Chairman USES, the
	14	Director AME, the Provost of the COE, the Director ERC, and the Director of
	15	Administration and Finance of the Department responsible for Education in the
	16	Federal Capital Territory; "Minister" means the Minister charged with the
	17	responsibility for the Federal Capital Territory;
	18	"staff" includes an officer or employee of the Centre; and
	19	"the person responsible for Education in the Federal Capital Territory" means
	20	the person appointed by the Minister to oversee the education sector in the
	21	Federal Capital Territory.
Citation	22	24. This Bill may be cited as the Federal Capital Territory Education
	23	Resource Center (Est.) Bill, 2019.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to establish the Federal Capital Territory Education Resource Centre charged with the responsibility to, among other things, plan and implement curriculum, measure and devaluate students and other applicants for placement into schools under the administration of the Federal Capital Territory.

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO ALTER THE CONSTITUTION OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA, 1999 TO PROVIDE FOR THE INCLUSION OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY IN THE PROCESS OF MAKING TREATIES WITH OTHER COUNTRIES; AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon. Benjamin Okezie Kalu

[] Commencement

BE IT ENACTED by the National Assembly of the Federal Republic of Nigeria as follows-

1 **1.** The Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria (1999) (As
2 Altered) (herein referred to as the "principal Act") is further altered as set out
3 in this Bill. Alteration of the
Constitution, 1999

4 **2.** Section 12 of the principal Act is amended by- Alteration of
Section 12
5 (a) inserting the following as new subsections (1) and (2) thereof-
6 “(1) The National Assembly may make laws for the making of
7 treaties between the Federation and any other country on any matter on the
8 Exclusive Legislative List.

9 (2) All treaties to be negotiated and entered into for and on behalf of
10 the Federal Republic of Nigeria by any Ministry, government agency, body
11 or person shall be made in consultation with the relevant committees of both
12 houses of the National Assembly before such treaties are signed.”; and

13 (b) renumbering the existing subsections (1), (2) and (3) as
14 subsections (3), (4) and (5) respectively.

15 **3.** This Bill may be cited as the Constitution of the Federal Citation
16 Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (Alteration) Bill, 2019.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to alter the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria 1999 (As Altered) so as to empower the National Assembly to make laws for treaties on an matter on the Exclusive Legislative List and for the participation of the National Assembly in negotiations for treaties.

FOR

Sponsored by Hon. Simon D. Mwadkwon

[] Commencement

PART 1- ESTABLISHMENT OF THE NORTH CENTRAL DEVELOPMENT

COMMISSION AND THE GOVERNING BOARD

Establishment of the North Central Development Commission

Establishment of the Governing Board

Establishment of the Governing Board

- 1 (ii) FCT;
 2 (iii) Kogi;
 3 (iv) Kwara;
 4 (v) Nasarawa;
 5 (vi) Niger; and
 6 (vii) Plateau.
 7 (c) three persons to represent the following Security Organisation-
 8 (i) the Army who shall not be below the rank of a Colonel;
 9 (ii) the Police who shall not be below the rank of Superintendent of
 10 Police; and
 11 (iii) the Civil Defence Corp who shall not be below the rank of Deputy
 12 Commandant.
 13 (d) one representative of Solid minerals extracting and Mining
 14 producing companies in the North Central States nominated by those
 15 companies;
 16 (e) one person to represent the Federal Ministry of Finance;
 17 (f) one person to represent the Federal Ministry of Environment;
 18 (g) the Managing Director of the Commission; and
 19 (h) two executive Directors;
 20 (2) The Chairman and other members of the Board Shall-
 21 (a) be appointed by the President, subject to the confirmation of the
 22 Senate, in consultation with the House of Representatives; and
 23 (b) be person of proven integrity and ability.
 24 (3) The members of the Board referred to in paragraph (1-2) of sub-
 25 clause (1) of this Bill shall be part-time members.
 26 (4) The supplementary provisions set out in the Schedule to this Bill
 27 shall have effect with respect to the proceedings of the Board and the other
 28 matters contained therein.
- Tenure of office 29 **3.** Subject to the provisions of clause 4 of this Bill, a member of the
 30 Board, other than an ex-officio member, shall hold office for a term of 4 years at

1 the first instance and may be re-appointed for a further term of 4 years and no
2 more.

3 4. The office of the Chairman shall rotate amongst the member Rotation of office
of Chairman
4 states of the Commission in the following alphabetical order-

5 (i) Benue;

6 (ii) FCT;

7 (iii) Kogi;

8 (iv) Kwara;

9 (v) Nasarawa;

10 (vi) Niger; and

11 (vii) Plateau.

12 5.-(1) A member of the Board other than ex-officio member, may Resignation,
cessation or removal
from membership
of the Board
13 resign his or her appointment by notice in writing addressed to the President.
14 Which resignation shall take effect only upon receipt and approval by the
15 President.

16 (2) A member of the Board may cease membership if the member-

17 (a) becomes of unsound mind, or incapable of carrying out his
18 duties;

19 (b) becomes bankrupt, suspends payment or compounds with his
20 creditors;

21 (c) is convicted of a felony or any offence involving dishonesty or
22 fraud;

23 (d) is guilty of serious misconduct in relation to his duties;

24 (e) in the case of a person possessed of professional qualifications,
25 he is disqualified or suspended, other than at his own request, from
26 practising his profession in any part of the world by an order of a competent
27 authority made in respect of that member; or

28 (f) resigns his appointment by a letter addressed to the President.

29 (3) Where a vacancy occurs in the membership of the Board, it
30 shall be filled by appointment of a person representing the area where the

	1	vacancy exists, to complete the remainder of the term of office of the
	2	predecessor and shall be appointed by the President subject to the confirmation
	3	of the Senate in consultation with the House of Representatives.
Allowances of members	4	6. There shall be paid to every member of the Board such
	5	remuneration, allowances and expenses as the Federal Government may, from
	6	time to time direct.
	7	PART II - FUNCTIONS AND POWERS OF THE COMMISSION, ETC.
Functions and Powers of the Commission	8	7.-(1) The Commission shall-
	9	(a) formulate policies and guidelines for the development of the North
	10	Central States;
	11	(b) conceive, plan and implement, in accordance with the set rules and
	12	regulations, projects and programmes for the sustainable development of the
	13	North Central States in the field of transportation including roads, health,
	14	education, employment, agriculture, industrialization, housing and urban
	15	development, water supply, electricity and telecommunications;
	16	(c) cause the North Central States to be surveyed in order to ascertain
	17	measures which are necessary to promote its physical and socio-economic
	18	development;
	19	(d) prepare master plans and schemes designed to promote the
	20	physical development of the North Central States and the estimates of the costs
	21	of implementing such master plans and schemes;
	22	(e) implement all the measures approved for the development of the
	23	North Central States by the Federal Government and the member States of the
	24	Commission;
	25	(f) identify factors inhibiting the development of the North Central
	26	States and assist the member States in the formulation and implementation of
	27	policies to ensure sound and efficient management of the resources of the
	28	North Central States;
	29	(g) assess and report on any project being funded or carried out in the
	30	North Central States by mineral extracting and mining companies, oil and gas

1 producing companies, and any other company including non-governmental
2 organisations and ensure that funds released for such projects are properly
3 utilized;

4 (h) tackle ecological and environmental problems that arise from
5 the extraction and mining of solid mineral, exploration of oil mineral in the
6 North Central States and advise the Federal Government and the member
7 States on the prevention and control of oil spillages, gas flaring and
8 environmental pollution;

9 (i) liaise with the various solid mineral extraction and mining
10 companies and oil and gas prospecting and producing companies on all
11 matters of pollution prevention and control; and

12 (j) execute such other works and perform such other functions
13 which in the opinion of the Commission are required for the sustainable
14 development of the North Central States and its peoples.

15 (2) In exercising its functions and powers under this clause, the
16 Commission shall have regard to the varied and specific contributions of
17 each member State of the Commission.

18 (3) The Commission shall be subject to the direction, control or
19 supervision in the performance of its functions under this Bill by the
20 President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.

21 **8.** The Board shall have power to:

Powers of the
Board

22 (a) Manage and superintend the affairs of the Commission;

23 (b) make rules and regulations for carrying out the functions of the
24 Commission;

25 (c) enter and inspect premises, projects and such places as may be
26 necessary for the purposes of carrying out its functions under this Bill;

27 (d) pay the staff of the Commission such remuneration and
28 allowances as are payable to persons of equivalent grades in the civil service
29 of the Federation;

30 (e) enter into such contracts as may be necessary or expedient for

1 the discharge of its functions and ensure the efficient performance of the
2 functions of the Commission;

3 (f) employ either directly or on secondment from any civil or public
4 service in the Federation or a State such number of employees as may in the
5 opinion of the Board, be required to assist the Board in the discharge of any of
6 its functions under this Bill;

7 (g) pay to persons so employed such remuneration, including
8 allowances, as the Board may determine; and

9 (h) do such other things as are necessary and expedient for the
10 efficient performance of the functions of the Commission.

11 PART III - STRUCTURE OF THE COMMISSION

Structure of the
Commission

12 9.-(1) There shall be established in the head office of the Commission,
13 the following Directorates:

14 (a) the Directorate of Administration and Human Resources;

15 (b) the Directorate of Community and Rural Development;

16 (c) the Directorate of Utilities, Infrastructural Development and
17 waterways;

18 (d) the Directorate of Environmental Protection and Control;

19 (e) the Directorate of Finance and Supply;

20 (f) the Directorate of Solid Minerals, Agriculture and Fisheries;

21 (g) the Directorate of Planning, Research and Statistics and
22 Management Information System;

23 (h) the Directorate of Legal Services;

24 (i) the Directorate of Education, Health and Social Services;

25 (j) the Directorate of Commercial and Industrial Development; and

26 (k) the Directorate of Projects Monitoring and Supervision.

27 (2) The Board may increase the number of Directorates as it may
28 deem necessary and expedient to facilitate the realization of the objectives of
29 the Commission.

Management Committee

10. There shall be for the Commission, a Management Committee which shall-

(a) consist of a Chairman who shall be the Managing Director;

(b) the Directors responsible for the Directorates established under Clause 9 of this Bill and such number of other members as may be determined from time to time by the Board;

7 (c) be responsible to the Board and the Managing Director for the
8 general administration of the Commission.

9	11.-(1) There is hereby established for the Commission, A North	Establishment of
10	Central Development Advisory Committee (in this Bill referred to as 'the	the North Central
11	Advisory Committee') which shall consist of-	Development Advisory Committee

(a) the Governors of the member States of the Commission; and

(b) two persons as may be determined, from time to time, by the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.

(2) The Advisory Committee shall be charged with the responsibility of advising the Board and guiding and monitoring the activities of the Commission with a view to achieving the objectives of the Commission.

19 (3) The Advisory Committee may make rules regulating its own
20 proceedings.

21 PART IV - STAFF OF THE COMMISSION

22 **12.-(1)** There shall be for the Commission, a Managing Director, Executive
23 and two Executive Directors who Shall be indigenes of the North Central Secretary of the
24 States and shall rotate amongst the member States in alphabetical order and Commission
25 shall-

26 (a) have such qualification and experience as are appropriate for a
27 person required to perform the functions of that office under this Bill; and

28 (b) be the chief executive and accounting officer of the
29 Commission;

30 (c) be appointed by the President of the Federal Republic of

1 Nigeria and confirmed by the Senate in consultation with the House of
2 Representatives;

3 (d) hold office on such terms and conditions' as to emolument,
4 conditions of service as may be specified in his letter of appointment and
5 subject to the provision of clause 3 of this Bill.

6 (2) The Managing Director shall, subject to the general direction of
7 the Board, be responsible:

8 (a) for the day to day administration of the Commission;

9 (b) for keeping the books and proper records of the proceedings of the
10 Board; and

11 (c) For-

12 (i) the administration of the secretariat of the Board; and

13 (ii) the general direction and control of all other employees of the
14 Commission.

15 (3) The Board shall have power to-

16 (a) employ either directly or on secondment from any civil or public
17 service in the Federation or a State such number of employees as may, in the
18 opinion of the Board, be required to assist the Board in the discharge of any of
19 its functions under this Bill; and

20 (b) pay to persons so employed such remuneration (including
21 allowances) as the Board may, after consultation with the Federal Civil Service
22 Commission, Determine.

Pension Reform
Act, No. 2 of
2004

23 **13.-(1)** Service in the Commission shall be approved service for the
24 purposes of the Pensions Act.

25 (2) The officers and other persons employed in the Commission shall
26 be entitled to pensions, gratuities and other retirement benefits as are enjoyed
27 by Persons holding equivalent grades in the civil service of the Federation.

28 (3) Nothing in subsections (1) and (2) of this clause shall prevent the
29 appointment of a person to any office on terms which preclude the grant of
30 pension and gratuity in respect of that office.

1 (4) for the purposes of the application of the provisions of the
2 Pensions Act, any power exercisable there under by the Minister or other
3 authority of the Government of the Federation, other than the power to make
4 regulations under section 23 thereof, is hereby vested in and shall be
5 exercisable by the Commission, and not by any other person or authority.

6 PART V - FINANCIAL PROVISIONS

7 14.-(1) The Commission shall establish and maintain a fund from Fund of the
8 which shall be defrayed all expenditure incurred by the Commission. Commission

9 (2) There shall be paid and credited to the fund established
10 pursuant to sub-clause (1) of this Bill-

11 (a) from the Federal Government, the equivalent of 15 per cent of
12 the total monthly statutory allocations due to member States of the
13 Commission from the Federation Account;

14 (b) 3 per cent of the total annual budget of any oil producing
15 company operating, on shore and off shore, in the North Central States;
16 including gas processing companies;

17 (c) 3 per cent of the total annual budget of any Solid mineral
18 extracting mining company operating in the North Central States;

19 (d) 50 per cent of monies due to member States of the Commission
20 from the Ecological Fund;

21 (e) such monies as may from time to time, be granted or lent to or
22 deposited with the Commission by the Federal or a State Government, any
23 other body or institution whether local or foreign;

24 (f) all monies raised for the purposes of the Commission by way of
25 gifts, loan, grants-in-aid, testamentary disposition or otherwise; and

26 (g) proceeds from all other assets that may, from time to time,
27 accrue to the Commission.

28 (3) The fund shall be managed in accordance with the rules made
29 by the Board, and without prejudice to the generality of the power to make
30 rules under this sub-clause, the rules shall in particular contain provisions-

	1	(a) specifying the manner in which the assets or the fund of the
	2	Commission are to be held, and regulating the making of payments into and out
	3	of the fund; and
	4	(b) requiring the keeping of proper accounts and records for the
	5	purpose of the fund in such form as may be specified in the rules.
Expenditure of the Commission	6	15. The Commission shall apply the proceeds of the fund established
	7	pursuant to clause 14 of this Bill to-
	8	(a) the cost of administration of the Commission;
	9	(b) the payment of salaries, fees, remuneration, allowances, pensions
	10	and gratuities payable to the members of the Board specified in clause 6 of this
	11	Bill or any committee of the Board and the employees of the Commission;
	12	(c) the payment for all contracts, including mobilization, fluctuations,
	13	variations, legal fees and cost on contract administration;
	14	(d) the payment for all purchases; and
	15	(e) Undertaking such other activities as are connected with all or any
	16	of the functions of the Commission under this Bill.
Gift to the Commission	17	16.-(1) The Commission may accepts gifts of land, money or other
	18	property on such terms and conditions, if any, as may be specified by the person
	19	or organization making the gift.
	20	(2) The Commission shall not accept any gift if the conditions
	21	attached by the person or organization making the gift are inconsistent with the
	22	functions of the Commission under this Bill.
Power to borrow	23	17. The Commission may, with the consent of the President of the
	24	Federal Republic of Nigeria, borrow, on such terms and conditions as the
	25	Commission may determine, such sums of money as the Commission may
	26	require in the exercise of its functions under this Bill.
Annual Estimates and Expenditure	27	18.-(1) The Board shall, not later than 30th September in each year,
	28	submit to the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, an estimate of the
	29	expenditure and income of the Commission during the next succeeding year.
	30	(2) The Board shall cause to be kept proper accounts of the

1 Commission in respect of each year and proper records in relation thereto
 2 and shall cause the accounts to be audited not later than 6 months after the
 3 end of each year by auditors appointed from the list and in accordance with
 4 the guidelines supplied by the Auditor-General for the Federation.

5 **19.** The Commission shall, at the end of every quarter in each year, Quarterly Report
 6 submit Quarterly Report to the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria,
 7 a report on the activities and administration of the Commission

8 **20.**-(1) The Board shall prepare and submit to the President of the Annual Report
 9 Federal Republic of Nigeria, not later than 30th June in each year, a report in
 10 such form as the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, may direct, on
 11 the activities of the Commission during the immediately preceding year, and
 12 shall include in the report a copy of the audited accounts of the Commission
 13 for that year and the auditor's report thereon;

14 (2) The President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria shall, upon
 15 receipt of the report referred to in sub-clause (1) of this clause, cause a copy
 16 of the report and the audited accounts of the Commission and the auditor's
 17 report there on to be submitted to each House of the National Assembly.

18 PART VI - MISCELLANEOUS

19 **21.**-(1) There is hereby established for the Commission a Monitoring
 20 Monitoring Committee which shall consist of such number of persons as the Committee
 21 President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, may deem fit to appoint from
 22 the public or civil service of the Federation.

23 (2) The Monitoring Committee shall-

24 (a) monitor the management of the funds of the Commission and
 25 the implementation of the projects of the Commission; and

26 (b) have access to the books of account and other records of the
 27 Commission at all times, and submit periodical reports to the President
 28 Federal Republic of Nigeria.

29 **22.**-(1) For the purposes of providing offices and premises Office and
 30 necessary for the performance of its functions under this Bill, the Commission

1 Commission may, subject to the Land Use Act-
2 (a) purchase or take on lease any interest in land, or other property;
3 and

4 (b) Construct offices and premises and equip and maintain same.

5 (2) The Commission may, subject to the Land Use Act, sell or lease
6 out any office or premises held by it, which office or premises is no longer
7 required for the Performance of its functions under this Bill.

Directives by
the President

8 **23.** Subject to the provisions of this Bill, the President of the Federal
9 Republic of Nigeria, may give to the Commission directives of a general nature
10 or relating generally to matters of policy with regard to the performance by the
11 Commission of its functions and it shall be the duty of the Commission to
12 comply with the directives.

Public Officer
Protection Act,
Cap. P41 LFN,
2004

13 **24.-(1)** Subject to the provisions of this Bill, the provisions of the
14 Public Officers Protection Act shall apply in relation to any suit instituted
15 against any officer or employee of the Commission.

16 (2) Notwithstanding anything contained in any other law or
17 enactment, no suit shall lie against any member of the Board, the Managing
18 Director or any other officer or employee of the Commission for any act done
19 in pursuance or execution of this Bill or any other law or enactment, or of any
20 public duty or authority or in respect of any alleged neglect or default in the
21 execution of this Bill or such law or enactment, duty or authority, shall lie or be
22 instituted in any court unless-

23 (a) it is commenced within three months next after the act, neglect or
24 default complained of; or

25 (b) in the case of a continuation of damage or injury, within six
26 months next after the ceasing thereof.

Service of Notice,
Summons and
other Documents

27 **25.** A notice, summons or other document required or authorized to
28 be served upon the Commission under the provisions of this Bill or any other
29 law or enactment may be served by delivering it to the Managing Director or by
30 sending it by registered post and addressed to the Managing Director at the

1 principal office of the Commission

2 **26.-(1)** In any action or suit against the Commission, no execution
3 or attachment of process in the nature thereof shall be issued against the
4 Commission.

(2) Any sum of money which may by the judgment of any court be awarded against the Commission shall, subject to any direction given by the court where notice of appeal of the said judgment has been given, be paid from the general reserve fund of the Commission.

9 **27.** A member of the Board, the Managing Director, any other Indemnity of
10 officer or employee of the Commission shall be indemnified out of the assets officers
11 of the Commission against any proceeding, whether civil or criminal, in
12 which judgment is given in his favour, or in which he is acquitted, if any such
13 proceeding is brought against him in his capacity as a member of the Board,
14 the Managing Director, officer or employee of the Commission.

15 **28.** The Commission may, with the approval of the President of the Regulations
16 Federal Republic of Nigeria, make regulations, generally for the purposes of
17 giving full effect to this Bill.

18	29. In this Bill-	Interpretation
19	"Chairman" means the Chairman of the Board;	
20	"Commission" means the North Central Development Commission	
21	established by clause 1 of this Bill;	
22	"Board" means the governing Board established for the Commission under	
23	clause 2 (1) of this Bill;	
24	"member" means a member of the Board and includes the Chairman,	
25	Managing Director and Executive Directors;	
26	"member States" include Benue, FCT, Kogi, Kwara, Nasarawa, Niger, and	
27	Plateau.	

28 **30.** This Bill may be cited as the North Central Development Short title
29 Commission (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2019.

1 SCHEDULES

2 SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE BOARD, ETC.

3 1-(1) Subject to this Bill and section 27 of the Interpretation Act, the
4 Board may make standing orders regulating its proceedings or those of any of
5 its committee.

6 (2) The quorum of the Board shall be the Chairman or the person
7 presiding at the meeting, Managing Director or one Executive Director and one
8 third other members of the Board. The quorum of any committee of the
9 Commission shall be as determined by the Board.

10 2-(1) The Board shall meet whenever it is summoned by the
11 Chairman and if the Chairman is required to do so by notice given to him by not
12 less than 4 other members, he shall summon a meeting of the Board to be held
13 within 14 days from the date on which the notice is given.

14 (2) At any meeting of the Board, the Chairman shall preside but if he is
15 absent, the members present at the meeting shall appoint one of their members
16 to preside at the meeting.

17 3-(1) The Board may appoint one or more committees to carry out on
18 behalf of the Board, such functions as the Board may determine.

19 (2) A committee appointed under this paragraph shall consist of such
20 number of persons as may be determined by the Board and a person shall hold
21 office on the committee in accordance with the terms of his appointment.

22 (3) A decision of a committee of the Board shall be of no effect until it
23 is confirmed by the Board.

24 *Miscellaneous*

25 4-(1) The fixing of the seal of the Commission shall be authenticated
26 by the signatures of the Chairman or any other member of the Board generally
27 or specifically authorized by the Board to act for the purpose and the Managing
28 Director.

29 (2) A document purporting to be a document duly executed under the
30 seal of the Commission shall be received in evidence and shall, unless and until

- 1 the contrary is proved, be presumed to be so executed.
- 2 5. The validity of any proceedings of the Board or of a committee
- 3 shall not be adversely affected by-
- 4 (a) a vacancy in the membership of the Board or committee;
- 5 (b) a defect in the appointment of a member of the Board or
- 6 committee; or
- 7 (c) reason that a person not entitled to do so took part in the
- 8 proceedings of the Board or committee.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to establish the North Central Development Commission charged with the responsibility among other things to receive and manage fund from allocation of the Federation Account for the reconstruction and rehabilitation of roads, houses and other infrastructural damages suffered by the region as a result of the effect of the Communal Crises as well as tackle the ecological problems and any other related environmental or developmental challenges in the North Central States.

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO MAKE IT MANDATORY FOR GOVERNMENT MINISTRIES, DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES TO GIVE PRIORITY TO LOCAL MANUFACTURERS AND INDIGENOUS COMPANIES IN THE PROCUREMENT OF GOODS, WORKS AND SERVICES, AND TO PROHIBIT THE EXCLUSION OF LOCALLY PRODUCED GOODS IN THE PROCUREMENT PROCESS, AND FOR OTHER RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored Hon. Simon D. Mwadkwon

[] Commencement

BE IT ENACTED by the National Assembly of the Federal Republic of Nigeria as follows:

- 1 **1.** All procurement exercise conducted by every Government
 2 Ministry, Department, Agencies, and Parastatals in each fiscal year and in
 3 line with the provisions of the Public Procurement Act, in Nigeria shall give
 4 top priority to local manufacturers and indigenous companies (referred in
 5 this Section as "Entity") producing such goods and services as advertised by
 6 the Ministry, Department, Agencies and Corporations, as in the budget for
 7 that fiscal year;
- 8 **2.** Notwithstanding the provisions of section (1), the Ministry,
 9 Department, Agency or Parastatal shall procure the goods, works and
 10 services of such entity if:
 - 11 (i) Such Entity's goods or works, or services are certified to be of
 12 good quality subject to consistency of supply, timeliness or ability to supply
 13 on time, competitive in pricing, and is registered with any of the following
 14 Government regulatory agencies:
 - 15 (a) The Standards Organization of Nigeria (SON);
 - 16 (b) The National Food and Drug Administration and Control
 17 (NAFDAC) any other government recognized institution capable of

Procurement of locally made product/goods by Government, Ministries, Agencies and Parastatals and Private establishment in Nigeria

Recognizing the quality of goods as essential procurement practices

	1	determining quality Standards.
	2	(ii) That such entity took part in the tendering and bidding processes
	3	during the procurement exercise as stipulated by the regulations as contained in
	4	the Public Procurement Act.
Prohibitions	5	3. No Government Ministry, Department, Agency or Parastatal shall
	6	engage in secret procurement of goods, works and services such that such
	7	procurement exercise excludes the local manufacturers or providers of goods,
	8	works or services procured as a result of that exercise;
	9	4. No Government Ministry, Department, Agency or Parastatal shall
	10	engage the goods, works and services of any foreign company (in this section
	11	referred to as "foreign entity") or import into Nigeria through Direct
	12	procurement, unless-
	13	(i) Such goods, works and services are not produced in Nigeria;
	14	(ii) Such goods, works and services are not readily available in the
	15	stock of the local manufacturers as a result of technical and social factors, or
	16	(iii) Where such goods are obtainable in Nigeria, same falls short of
	17	the approved Standard as stated by the Regulatory Agencies.
	18	5. The Bureau of Public Procurement shall have authority to enforce
	19	section 1,2,3 and 4 of this Bill;
Monitoring and Prosecution	20	6. The Due Process Office and the Economic and Financial Crimes
	21	Commission in conjunction with relevant bodies such as MAN, NACCIMA,
	22	NASSI shall have the powers of:
	23	(i) Monitoring the compliance with this Bill; and
	24	(ii) Arrest and prosecute offenders of this Bill, respectively.
	25	7. The Ministry of Information and the National Orientation Agency
	26	shall embark on the enlightenment and publicity of the provisions of this Bill.
Penalties	27	8. Any officer involved in contravening this Bill commits an act of
	28	economic sabotage and shall be liable on conviction to:
	29	(i) Compulsory retirement where it involves a staff, and dismissal for a political
	30	appointee, and

- 1 (ii) A term of imprisonment not exceeding 3 months, or a fine not
2 exceeding N500,000;
- 3 **9.** Where it is proven that such an officer contravenes in part or in
4 whole the provision(s) of this Bill in connivance with a foreign entity, such
5 officer shall be liable on conviction to:
- 6 (i) A term of imprisonment not less than 6 months or a fine of
7 N500,000.
- 8 **10.** The Federal High Court shall have jurisdiction to prosecute Jurisdiction
9 contraveners of this Bill.
- 10 **11.** The National Council on Public Procurement may make Regulations
11 regulations as may be necessary or expedient for giving effect to the
12 provisions of this Bill;
- 13 **12.** In this Bill: Interpretation
14 "Entity" means an indigenous or foreign company or firm;
15 "Officer" means any staff of the Government Ministry or Department or
16 Agency or Parastatal or Corporation;
17 "Goods" is any item or material listed for procurement by the Government
18 Ministry or Department or Agency or Parastatal or Corporation;
19 "Foreign entity" means Companies that are indifferent to local content;
20 "A private company" means any company without a major government
21 stake.
- 22 **13.** This Bill may be cited as the Local Industry Patronage Bill, Citation
23 2019.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to make it mandatory for Government Ministries, Departments and Agencies to give priority to local manufacturers and indigenous companies in the procurement of goods, works and services, and to prohibit the exclusion of locally produced goods in the procurement process.

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE DESIGN, DEVELOPMENT, INSTALLATION AND MANAGEMENT OF A ROBUST CRIME AND CRIMINAL TRACKING SYSTEM FOR THE NIGERIA POLICE TO ENHANCE NATIONAL SECURITY THROUGH AUTOMATION OF CRIMINAL RECORDS WITH BIOMETRIC IDENTIFICATION INFORMATION FOR BACKGROUND SECURITY CHECKS, CRIME INVESTIGATION, AND PROSECUTION, AND COUNTER-TERRORISM; AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon. Simon D. Mwadkwon

[] Commencement

BE IT ENACTED by the National Assembly of the Federal Republic of Nigeria as follows:

- 1 1.-(1) There is established Police Central Criminal Registry (the
- 2 "Registry") which shall:
- 3 (a) create and manage an official national criminal history database
- 4 crime and Criminal Tracking System (in this Bill referred to as ("the
- 5 System") and;
- 6 (b) operate as a separate division within the Nigeria Police Force
- 7 and shall be the sole criminal record-keeping entity.
- 8 (2) The Registry shall, through the System, store information and
- 9 digitalize all records pertaining to:
- 10 (a) Crime and criminals;
- 11 (b) Criminal cases and their progress;
- 12 (c) The persons involved and their criminal history;
- 13 (d) Finger prints;
- 14 (e) Date of arrest;
- 15 (f) All charges regardless of disposition;
- 16 (g) Outstanding warrants and charges;

Establishment of
Police Central
Criminal Registry

	1	(h) Disposition of the arrest;
	2	(i) All convictions for which a pardon has not been granted; and
	3	(j) Any judicial order or other information that might be of interest to
	4	police investigation.
	5	(3) The Registry shall require and store information for the issuance
	6	of clearance & character certificates for the purposes of obtaining:
	7	(a) Vehicle licences;
	8	(b) Driver's licences;
	9	(c) Admission into the universities and other tertiary institutions;
	10	(d) Employment in the public and private sectors;
	11	(e) Military and Para-military recruitment;
	12	(f) Opening and management of bank accounts;
	13	(g) Collection of DNA samples;
	14	(h) Travel visas;
	15	(i) Registration of Alien (foreigners) permit;
	16	(j) Renting or leasing of accommodation;
	17	(k) Sales of fireworks and explosives;
	18	(l) Sales of firearms;
	19	(m) Sales of security equipment like CCTV, etc; and
	20	(n) Transportation of explosive substances..
Data Collection	21	2. While the System focuses on collecting data related to crimes
	22	reported to the police, the Registry shall be responsible for collecting, editing,
	23	and analyzing reported crime data from individuals and all law enforcement
	24	agencies nationwide.
Networking and Inter connectivity	25	3.-(1) The Police Force Headquarters, State Police Commands, Area
	26	Commands and all Divisional Police Stations shall be networked and
	27	interconnected.
	28	(2) The Police shall appoint a consultant who shall finance, design,
	29	develop, install and manage a robust crime and criminal tracking network

1 system, on a public private partnership (PPP) basis for the Nigeria Police
2 covering:

- 3 (a) the Force Headquarters;
- 4 (b) Area Commands;
- 5 (c) State Police Commands; and
- 6 (d) all Divisional Police States.

7 (3) The System shall, after its installation, enhance the national
8 security through automation of criminal records with biometric
9 identification information for:

- 10 (a) background security check;
- 11 (b) Crime investigation and prosecution; and
- 12 (c) Other allied citizens services

13 **4.** The consultant shall provide, arrange and implement the
14 integrated secure portal for inter-security agencies connectivity and
15 connection to Embassies for visa application and security background
16 checks.

Consultant
services

17 **5.-(1)** The trained police officers shall be responsible for the
18 management and control of the front end of the System.

19 (2) The consultant shall be responsible for:

- 20 (a) the back end and every other necessary support services to
21 ensure the smooth operation of the System; and
- 22 (b) the foreign and local training of the technical (“G” Department)
23 and operational (“D” Department) staff of the Police Force.

24 **6.** The Registry shall be responsible for:

Functions of
Registry

- 25 (a) the maintenance of records of known criminals convicted in
26 Nigeria or abroad;
- 27 (b) collating necessary information about crime and criminals;
- 28 (c) maintaining criminal index in such manner as to trace it easily
29 for reference purposes; and
- 30 (d) maintaining links with:

The purpose of the system	1	(i) all Police Commands;
	2	(ii) prisons and other relevant government departments; or agencies;
	3	(iii) supply of information on criminal records to Interpol.
	4	7. The purpose of the System is to:
	5	(a) provide the investigating officers with technology, tools and
	6	information to facilitate investigation of crime and detection of criminals;
	7	(b) improve the functioning of police force in various activities in
	8	connection with:
	9	(i) law and order;
	10	(ii) traffic management;
	11	(iii) prevention of crime; and
	12	(iv) keeping track of the progress of cases, including the ones in
	13	courts; and
	14	(c) make the functioning of the police more transparent and citizen
	15	friendly.
Establishment of the data exchange	16	8.-(1) The System shall establish the Data Exchange which is a
	17	nationwide data warehouse developed to provide information sharing service
	18	to other law enforcement agencies.
	19	(2) The police in the Data Exchange shall receive, classify and file
	20	criminal history record information and other records required to be reported to
	21	it by other enforcement agencies.
Placement of criminal history information online	22	(3) The Data Exchange, being a powerful automated investigative
	23	tool, enables the user to search, link, analyze and share criminal justice
	24	information on a nationwide basis.
	25	9.-(1) The Registry shall place all available criminal history
	26	information online.
	27	(2) All criminal histories are made accessible to the public, with the
	28	exception of most juvenile histories (youth that are not convicted of a crime as
	29	adults).
	30	(3) A criminal history may be used for many purposes, mostly for:

- 1 (a) background checks including:
2 (i) identification;
3 (ii) employment;
4 (iii) security clearance;
5 (iv) adoption;
6 (v) immigration, international travel and visa,
7 (vi) licensing;
8 (vii) assistance in developing suspects in an ongoing criminal
9 investigation; and
10 (b) enhanced sentencing in criminal prosecutions.
- 11 (4) The Registry may, in special cases, exclude members of the
12 public from gaining access to certain information in the public record either
13 for:
14 (a) the privacy of the criminal (especially when the crime is
15 expunged or acquitted);
16 (b) jeopardizing the safety or success of an investigation; or
17 (c) the success of an individual in getting his records sealed.
- 18 (5) The Registry may make its own rules regarding:
19 (a) exemptions and exclusions for certain types of criminals; and
20 (b) mode of retrieval of record or information.
- 21 **10.-(1)** Upon receipt of the application and payment of a prescribed Fees
22 fee, the Registry shall:
23 (a) consult various records kept to determine whether the applicant
24 has a criminal record; and
25 (b) in the absence of such criminal record, issue a certificate of
26 good character within 4 weeks of receipt of the application.
- 27 (2) Where the check shows that the applicant has a criminal record,
28 the Registry shall:
29 (a) decide whether the offences are relevant to his application; and
30 (b) take a decision within 8 weeks of receipt of such application.

	1	(3) An enhanced criminal record certificate may contain relevant
	2	information that need not relate solely to criminal matters.
Notification	3	11. Where an application is refused, the Registry shall notify the
	4	applicant of its reasons for such refusal.
Right to inspect criminal record	5	12.-(1) A person has the right to inspect his criminal record if he:
	6	(a) submits a written request, endorsing a copy of his identity
	7	document to the Registry; and
	8	(b) pays a prescribed fee for the search.
	9	(2) Where the records are incorrect or incomplete, a person may make
	10	a written request to have the records amended.
	11	(3) Where the application is refused, the applicant shall be informed
	12	of the decision and reasons for such refusal.
	13	(4) Where the applicant is not satisfied with the decision under
	14	subsection (3), he may file an objection within 6 weeks at the Registry.
Fund of the System	15	13.-(1) The System shall be privately funded by the Consultant on
	16	PPP arrangement with the Nigeria Police with no expense from the
	17	Government.
	18	(2) The investment in the System shall be recovered from the revenue
	19	generated through issuance of the character certificate and security clearance.
	20	(3) The sharing formula shall be:
	21	(a) consultant 90%; and
	22	(b) the Nigerian Police Force 10%.
	23	(4) Part of the revenue shall be reserved for the management of the
	24	System for continuity.
	25	14.-(1) There shall be 2 parties to the project:
	26	(a) the Nigeria Police Force; and
	27	(b) the Consultant.
	28	(2) The Nigeria Police Force shall:
	29	(a) approve the PPP agreement with the Consultant on the agreed
	30	terms;

1 (b) provide necessary secured infrastructure for installation of the
2 equipment;

3 (c) provide personnel to be trained for in-house operation of the
4 System;

5 (d) promote the project to all relevant authorities, organizations
6 and end users, and, where necessary, issue a signal to that effect;

7 (e) seek a duty waiver for the importation and clearing of all
8 equipment where applicable; and

9 (f) do such other things as are necessary to aid the successful
10 implementation of the project.

11 (3) The Consultant shall:

12 (a) arrange for 100% funding of the project;

13 (b) procure and install the equipment;

14 (c) maintain the equipment so installed;

15 (d) train the personnel;

16 (e) provide a technology platform for collection of revenue on the
17 project; and

18 (f) manage the entire integrated database project for an agreed
19 term.

20 **15.** The total period of return on investment and management of the
21 project shall be 35 years but the parties may mutually renew the agreement.

22 **16.** The parties shall prepare and enter into a separate arrangement
23 to work out the details as to:

24 (a) the time line, from manufacturing of components, assemblage,
25 freight, installation and training to commissioning of the project; and

26 (b) the involvement of other technology partners, including their
27 travelling logistics.

28 **17.** In this Bill:

Interpretation

29 "Consultant" means Richfield Technologies Limited appointed under
30 section 3 (2) of this Bill;

1 "DNA" means Deoxyribose Nucleic Acids;
2 "project" means the Crime and Criminal Tracking System as provided under
3 this Bill;
4 "PPP" means public private partnership;
5 "Registry" means the Police Central Criminal Registry established under
6 section 1 (1) of this Bill; and
7 "System" means the Crime and Criminal Tracking System established under
8 section 1 (1) (a) of this Bill.

Short title

9 **18.** This Bill may be cited as the Crime and Criminal Tracking
10 System Bill, 2019.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to provide for the design, development, installation and management of the Crime and Criminal Tracking System for the Nigeria Police to enhance national security through automation of criminal records with biometric identification information for background security checks, crime investigation and prosecution, and counter-terrorism.

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE ANATOMY ACT CAP A16 LAWS OF THE
FEDERATION OF NIGERIA, 2004 BY INCREASING THE PRESCRIBED
PENALTIES AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon. Simon D. Mwadkwon

[] Commencement

ENACTED by the National Assembly of the Federal Republic of
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1. The Anatomy Act Cap. A16, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 (in this Bill referred to as "the Principal Act") is amended as follows-

2. Section 11 of the Principal Act is amended in line 3 by:

(a) Substituting the words, "three months" for the words "one year"; and

(b) Inserting the word, "thousand", after the word "hundred".

3. This Bill may be cited as the Anatomy (Amendment) Bill, 2019.
- Amendment of the Principal Act

Amendment of Section 11

Citation

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend the Anatomy Act Cap A16 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 by increasing the prescribed penalties.

MARRIAGE ACT (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2019

ARRANGEMENT OF CLAUSES

Clause:

1. Amendment of Cap. M6, LFN, 2004
2. Amendment of section 11
3. Substitution for section 15
4. Amendment of section 20
5. Amendment of section 27
6. Amendment of section 36
7. Citation

FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE MARRIAGE ACT CAP. M6 LAWS OF THE
FEDERATION OF NIGERIA, 2004 TO REDUCE THE AGE FOR THE ISSUANCE
OF CERTIFICATE, EXTEND THE POWER TO REMOVE A CAVEAT TO OTHER
COURTS AND EMPOWER THE PRINCIPAL REGISTRAR TO REVIEW THE
MARRIAGE FEES; AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored Hon. Simon D. Mwadkwon

[] Commencement

ENACTED by the National Assembly of the Federal Republic of
Nigeria:

1 **1. The Marriage Act Cap. M6 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria,** Amendment of
2 2004 (in this Bill referred to as "the Principal Act") is amended as set out in Cap. M6 LFN,
3 this Bill: 2004

4 2. Section 11 (1) (b) of the Principal Act is amended by Amendment of
5 substituting for the word, "twenty-one", the word "eighteen" in line 2. Section 11

6	3. Substitute for section 15 of the Principal Act, a new section	Amendment of
7	"15":	Section 15

8 *“When caveat entered, question to be referred to court*

15 Whenever a caveat is entered against issuance of certificate, the registrar shall refer the matter to a Magistrate or Judge of the Customary Court and such Magistrate or Judge shall there upon summon the parties to the intended marriage and the person by whom the caveat is entered, to appear before the Magistrate or Judge of the Customary Court shall require the person by whom the caveat is entered to show cause why the registrar should not issue his certificate and shall hear and determine the case in a summary way subject to a right of appeal.”

4. Section 20 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting new paragraph "ba - be":

	1	“(ba) Minister of a licenced place of worship;
	2	(bb) Magistrate or Customary Court Judge; or
	3	(be) Chief, Village Head or Community Head.”
Amendment of Section 27	4	5. Section 27 of the Principal Act is amended by substituting for the
	5	word "man" in lines 8 and 10 and anywhere it appears in the Act, the word,
	6	"husband".
Amendment of Section 36	7	6. Section 36 of the Principal Act is amended by:
	8	(a) inserting a new subsection "(2)":
	9	“(2) The Principal Registrar may, from time to time, review the fees
	10	specified in the Second Schedule to this Act”; and
	11	(b) re-numbering the section appropriately.
Citation	12	7. This Bill may be cited as the Marriage Act (Amendment) Bill,
	13	2019.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend the Marriage Act Cap. M6 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to reduce the age for the issuance of certificate, extend the power to remove a caveat to other courts and empower the Principal Registrar to review the marriage fees.

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CASINO TAXATION ACT CAP. C3 LAWS OF THE
FEDERATION OF NIGERIA, 2004 BY EXTENDING THE OPERATION OF THE ACT
BEYOND LAGOS; AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon. Simon D. Mwadkwon

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ENACTED by the National Assembly of the Federal Republic of
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| 1 | 1. The Casino Taxation Act Cap. C3 Laws of the Federation of | Amendment of |
| 2 | Nigeria, 2004 (in this Bill referred to as the "Principal Act") is amended as set | Cap. C3 LFN, |
| 3 | out in this Bill. | 2004 |
| 4 | 2. The Long Title of the Principal Act is amended by deleting the | Amendment of |
| 5 | words "in the Lagos territory" after the word, "casino" in line 1. | Long Title |
| 6 | 3. Section 17 of the Principal Act is amended by deleting the word | Amendment of |
| 7 | "or in Lagos" after the words, "committed" in line 2. | Section 17 |
| 8 | 4. Section 24 of the Principal Act is amended- | Amendment of |
| 9 | (a) in paragraph (a)- | Section 24 |
| 10 | (i) lines 3 and 4, by inserting after the word "one", the word, | |
| 11 | "hundred", | |
| 12 | (ii) in line 6, by inserting after the word, "two" the word, | |
| 13 | "hundred"; | |
| 14 | (b) in paragraph (b) line 3, by inserting after the word, "hundred" | |
| 15 | the word, "thousand"; and | |
| 16 | (c) in paragraph (c)- | |
| 17 | (i) in line 2, by substituting for the words, "four hundred", the word | |
| 18 | "twenty thousand"; and | |
| 19 | (ii) in line 4, by inserting after for the word, "hundred", the word | |
| 20 | "thousand." | |

Amendment of Section 28	1	5. Section 28 (1) of the Principal Act is amended in lines 1 and 2, by
	2	deleting the word “to the Lagos territory”.
Citation	3	6. This Bill may be cited as the Casino Taxation (Amendment) Bill,
	4	2019.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend the Casino Taxation Act Cap. C3 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 by extending the operation of the Act beyond Lagos.

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO REPEAL THE EXPORT (PROHIBITION) ACT, CAP E22, LAWS OF
THE FEDERATION OF NIGERIA, 2004; AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsors: Hon. Mohammed Tahir Monguno Hon. Benjamin O. Kalu

[] Commencement

BE IT ENACTED by the National Assembly of the Federal
Republic of Nigeria as follows-

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| 1 | 1. The Export (Prohibition) Act, Cap E22, Laws of the Federation | Repeal of Cap. |
| 2 | of Nigeria, 2004 is hereby repealed. | E22, LFN, 2004 |
| 3 | 2. This Bill may be cited as the Export (Prohibition) Act (Repeal) | Citation |
| 4 | Bill, 2019. | |

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to repeal the Export (Prohibition) Act, Cap. E22 Laws of the
Federation of Nigeria, 2004 so as to provide for the unhindered exportation
of commodities on the absolute prohibition list.

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE INVESTMENT AND SECURITIES ACT, 2007 TO PROVIDE FOR GREATER TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY IN THE FINANCES OF SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION; AND TO ENSURE GREATER LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT; AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta

[] Commencement

BE IT ENACTED by the National Assembly of the Federal Republic of Nigeria as follows-

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| <p>1 1. The Investment and Securities Act, 2007 (herein referred to as</p> <p>2 the "Principal Act") is amended as set out in this Act.</p> | <p>Amendment of
Investment and
Securities Act,
2007</p> |
| <p>3 2. Section 20 of the Principal Act is amended by-</p> <p>4 (a) deleting the word "may" and inserting the following words</p> <p>5 instead thereof-</p> <p>6 "shall be subject to the provisions of subsection (2) of this section";</p> <p>7 (b) re-numbering the existing provisions as subsection (1) thereof;</p> <p>8 and</p> <p>9 (c) inserting the following words as subsection (2) thereof-</p> <p>10 "(2) No money shall be withdrawn from the fund of the</p> <p>11 Commission unless the issue of those moneys has been authorized by an Act</p> <p>12 of the National Assembly as set out under section 26 of this Act."</p> | <p>Amendment of
Section 20</p> |
| <p>13 3. Section 21 of the Principal Act is amended in subsection (2) by</p> <p>14 inserting after the word "Commission" the following words -</p> <p>15 "subject to the provisions of section 20 (2) of this section".</p> | <p>Amendment of
Section 21</p> |
| <p>16 4. Section 23 of the Principal Act is amended by deleting the words</p> <p>17 "charge, retain and utilize for its purposes" and inserting the following</p> <p>18 words instead thereof - "charge and retain in the fund established under</p> <p>19 section 19 of this Act".</p> | <p>Amendment of
Section 23</p> |

Amendment of
Section 26

- 1 **5.** Section 26 of the Principal Act is amended by-
- 2 (a) inserting the following as new subsection (2), (3), (4), (5) and (6)-
- 3 (2) The heads of expenditure contained in the estimates shall be
- 4 included in a bill to be known as Securities and Exchange Commission
- 5 Appropriation Bill, providing for the issue from the fund of the Commission of
- 6 the sums necessary to meet that expenditure and the authorization of those
- 7 sums for the purposes specified therein.
- 8 (3) If in respect of any financial year it is found that-
- 9 (a) the amount authorized by the Appropriation Act specified in
- 10 subsection (2) of this section for any purpose is insufficient; or
- 11 (b) a need has arisen for expenditure for a purpose for which no
- 12 amount has been authorized by the Act, a supplementary estimate showing the
- 13 sums required shall be submitted to the National Assembly and the heads of
- 14 any such expenditure shall be included in a Supplementary Appropriation Act.
- 15 (4) The Bill required pursuant to the provisions of subsection (2) of
- 16 this section shall stand in the name of the chairman and members of the
- 17 committee of each House of the National Assembly which exercises oversight
- 18 on the Commission.
- 19 (5) The provisions of section 59 of the Constitution shall apply to an
- 20 Appropriation Bill under this Act.
- 21 (6) If the Financial Authorization Bill in respect of any financial year
- 22 has not been passed into law by the 31st of March of the financial year, the
- 23 Commission may authorize the withdrawal of moneys from the fund for the
- 24 purpose of meeting expenditure necessary to carry on the services of such
- 25 statutory body for a period not exceeding six months or until the coming into
- 26 operation of the Appropriation Act, whichever is the earlier;
- 27 Provided that the withdrawal in respect of any such period shall not
- 28 exceed the amount authorized to be withdrawn from the fund of the
- 29 Commission under the provisions of the Appropriation Act passed by the
- 30 National Assembly for the corresponding period in the immediately preceding

1 financial year, being an amount proportionate to the total amount so
2 authorized for the immediate preceding financial year."

3 (b) re-numbering the existing subsection (2) as subsection (7).

4 **6.** This Bill may be cited as the Investment and Securities Act Short title
(Amendment) Bill, 2019.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend the Investment and Securities Act 2007 for purposes of ensuring greater transparency and accountability in the finances of Securities and Exchange Commission and for greater exercise of oversight on the Commission.

NIGERIAN COLLEGE OF AVIATION TECHNOLOGY

(AMENDMENT) BILL, 2019

ARRANGEMENT OF CLAUSES

Clause:

1. Amendment of Cap. N 42, LFN 2004
2. Amendment of section 1 (3)
3. Amendment of section 3
4. Amendment of section 8
5. Amendment of First Schedule
6. Citation

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE NIGERIAN COLLEGE OF AVIATION TECHNOLOGY ACT CAP. N 96 LAWS OF THE FEDERATION OF NIGERIA, 2004 BY INCREASING THE AMOUNT FOR WHICH THE COLLEGE MAY CHARGE MORTGAGE OR DISPOSE OF A PROPERTY OF THE COLLEGE FOR WHICH THE CONSENT OF THE MINISTER IS REQUIRED AND REDUCE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE BOARD; AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon. Mohammed Tahir Monguno

[] Commencement

ENACTED by the National Assembly of the Federal Republic of Nigeria-

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| <p>1 1. The Nigerian College of Aviation Technology Act Cap, N 96</p> <p>2 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 (in this Bill referred to as "the</p> <p>3 Principal Act") is amended as set out in this Bill.</p> | <p>Amendment of
Cap. N42 LFN,
2004</p> |
| <p>4 2. Section 1 (3) of the Principal Act is amended in line 4, by</p> <p>5 substituting for the expression, "N100", the expression, "N1,000,000".</p> | <p>Amendment of
Section 1 (3)</p> |
| <p>6 3. Section 3 of the Principal Act is amended, in-</p> <p>7 (a) subsection (1), by deleting paragraph (d);</p> <p>8 (b) subsection (4) (d)-</p> <p>9 (i) by deleting in line 1, after the word, "of, the words," members of</p> <p>10 the", and</p> <p>11 (ii) by substituting for the word, "at" in line 1, the word, "of ,</p> <p>12 (c) subsection (4) (e) by-</p> <p>13 (i) deleting the words, "members of, and</p> <p>14 (ii) substituting for the word, "at", the word "of".</p> | <p>Amendment of
Section 3</p> |
| <p>15 4. Section 8 of the Principal Act is amended in line 2, by inserting,</p> <p>16 after the word "Pensions", the word "Reform".</p> | <p>Amendment of
Section 8</p> |

Amendment of the First Schedule	1	5. The First Schedule to the Principle Act is amended in-
	2	(a) paragraph 1 (1), line 3, by substituting for the word, " the", the
	3	word, "he"; and
	4	(b) paragraph 9, line 4, by deleting the words, "as the case may be,".
Citation	5	6. This Bill may be cited as the Nigerian College of Aviation
	6	Technology (Amendment) Bill, 2019.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks amend the Nigerian College of Aviation Technology Act Cap. N96 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 by increasing the amount for which the college may charge mortgage or dispose of a property of the College for which the consent of the Minister is required and reduce the membership of the Board.