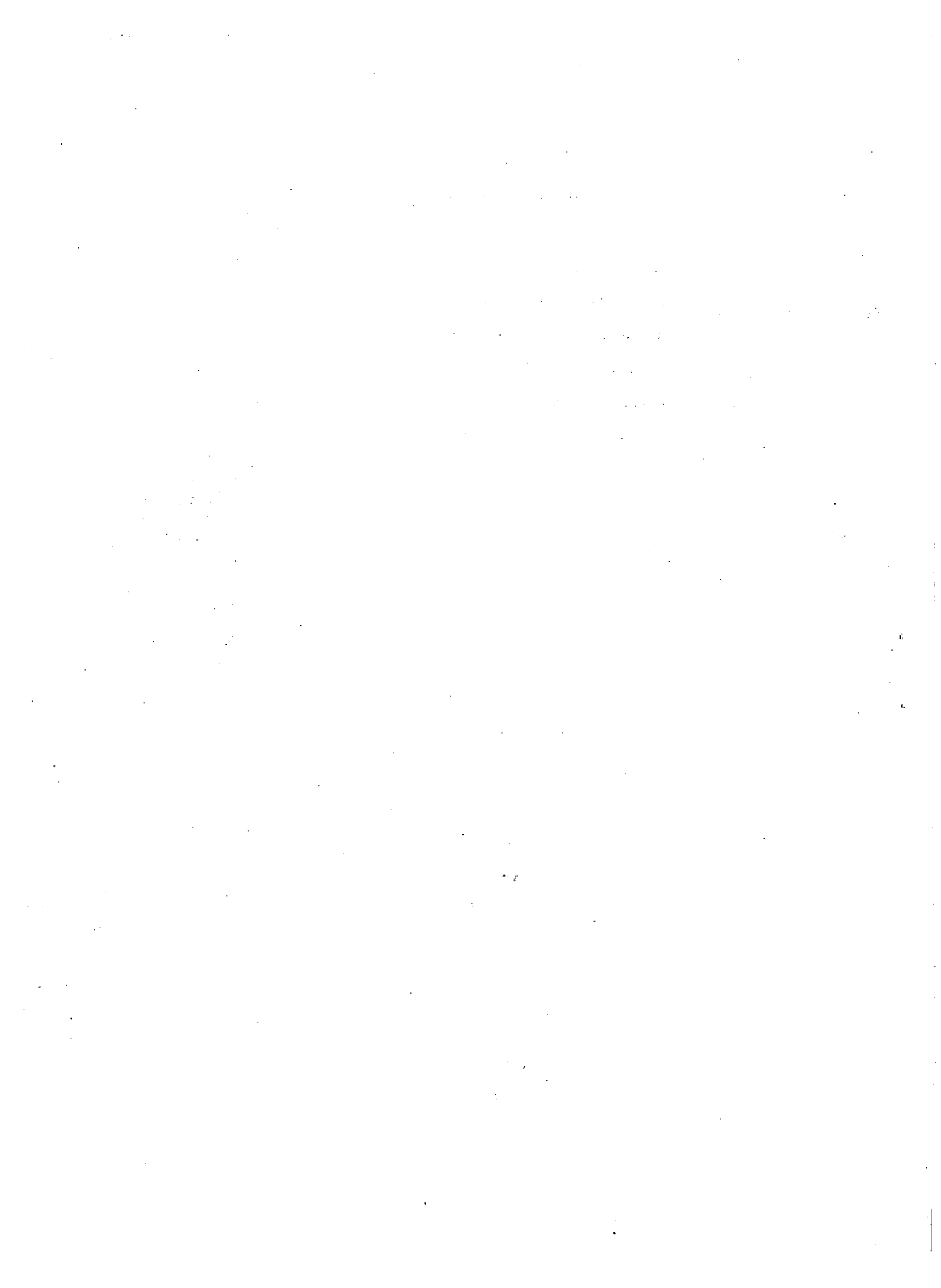


AHMADU BELLO UNIVERSITY (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2017

ARRANGEMENT OF CLAUSES

Clause:

1. Amendment of Cap. A14, LFN, 2004
2. Amendment of section 12(a)
3. Amendment of section 31
4. Amendment of Statute 6
5. Amendment of Statute 10
6. Citation



A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE AHMADU BELLO UNIVERSITY (TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS) ACT CAP.A14, LAWS OF THE FEDERATION OF NIGERIA 2004 TO SPECIFY THE MINIMUM QUALIFICATION OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL, OWNERSHIP OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND TO PROVIDE FOR PRE-ACTION NOTICE TO THE UNIVERSITY AUTHORITY; AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon. Garba Datti Mohammed

[] Commencement

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

- 1 1. The Ahmadu Bello University (Transitional Provisions) Act
2 Cap. A14, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria 2004 (in this Bill referred to as
3 "the Principal Act") is amended as set out in this Bill. Amendment of
Cap. A14
- 4 2. Section 12(a) of the Principal Act is amended by inserting after
5 the word, "Pro-Chancellor", the words, " who shall possess a minimum of a
6 university degree or its equivalent with cognate experience, integrity,
7 vibrancy and must be healthy and fit to perform the function of a chairman;". Amendment of
Section 12(a)
- 8 3. Section 31 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting a new
9 sub section "(2)"- Amendment of
Section 31
- 10 "(2) The Senate shall make Intellectual Property Governance
11 Codes that comply with international best practice to govern the ownership
12 of intellectual property within the university."
- 13 4. Statute 6 of the First Schedule to the Principal Act is amended
14 by- Amendment of
Statute 6 of the
First Schedule
- 15 (a) substituting for the existing section 6, a new section "6."-
- 16 "6. The Dean of the Faculty shall hold office for a term of two years
17 and may be eligible for re-election for another term of two years and no

1 more."; and

2 (b)inserting a new section "9A"-

3 "9A- Where there is no professor in a faculty, the office of the Dean of
4 the faculty shall be held in rotation by members of the faculty holding the ranks
5 of reader or senior lecturer on the basis of seniority as determined by the
6 Senate."

Amendment of
the First Schedule

7 5. The First Schedule to the Principal Act is amended by inserting a
8 new Statute "10A"-

9 "10A. Pre-Action Notice:

10 (1)An aggrieved staff or student shall not commence a suit in Court
11 against the University except the staff or student gives the University one
12 month written notice of intention to commence the suit.

13 (2) The written notice of under subsection (1) of this section shall be
14 served on the University by the intending plaintiff or his agent and the notice
15 shall explicitly state the:

16 (a) cause of action;

17 (b) particulars of claim or the grievance sought to be redressed;

18 (c) name, particulars and official address of the intending plaintiff;
19 and

20 (d) relief which the intending plaintiff claims.

21 (3) The written notice under subsection (1) of this section and any
22 summons, notice or other document required or authorized to be served on the
23 University under this Act or any other law shall be addressed to the Vice-
24 Chancellor of the University and may be served by delivering same to the Vice-
25 Chancellor, the Deputy Vice-Chancellor or any other Principal Officer of the
26 University or by sending it by registered post, electronic mail or any other
27 legally recognized digital form of communication in Nigeria."

Citation

28 6. This Bill may be cited as the Ahmadu Bello University
29 (Amendment) Bill, 2017.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend the Ahmadu Bello University Act Cap. A14, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria 2004 by specifying the minimum qualification of the Chairman of the Governing Council, ownership of intellectual property and providing for pre-action notice to the University authority from an aggrieved staff or student.

