A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE COMPULSORY, FREE, UNIVERSAL BASIC EDUCATION ACT OF 2004 TO INCREASE THE BLOCK GRANT OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND REDUCE THAT OF THE STATES GOVERNMENTS; AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon. Afe Olowookere

[ ] Commencement

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

1. The Compulsory, Free, Universal Basic Education Act, 2004 (hereinafter referred to as "the Principal Act") is amended as set out in this Bill. Amendment of the Compulsory, Free, Universal Basic Education, 2004

2. Section 11 of the Principal Act is amended: Amendment of Section 11

(i) by substituting the figure "2%" in subsection (1) with the figure "3%"

(ii) by substituting the figure "50%" in subsection (2) with the figure "25%"

3. This Bill may be cited as the compulsory, Free, Universal Basic Education Act, 2004 (Amendment) Bill, 2017. Citation

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend the Compulsory, Free, Universal Basic Education Act, 2004 to increase the block grant contribution of the Federal Government while reducing those of the State Governments. This is aimed at redressing the current situation where most States are unable to access the grant owing to their inability to contribute the 50% of the total cost of the project as its commitment in its execution.