

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE ELECTORAL ACT 2010 AS AMENDED TO ALTER THE ORDER IN WHICH ELECTIONS ARE SCHEDULED BY ALLOWING ELECTIONS INTO STATE HOUSES OF ASSEMBLY AND THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR OF A STATE TO BE HELD BEFORE OTHER ELECTIONS AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon. Olatoye Temitope Sugar

[] Commencement

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

1 1. The Electoral Act 2010 (hereinafter referred to as “the Principal
2 Act”) is amended as set out in this Bill.

Amendment of
the Electoral Act
2010

3 2. Section 25 of the Principal Act is amended by substituting
4 existing Sub-section (1) thereof with a new one as follows:

Amendment of
Section 25

5 25(1) Elections into the House of Assembly of each state of the
6 Federation, the Senate and House of Representatives, the offices of a
7 Governor and Deputy Governor, President and Vice-President shall be held
8 in the following order:

9 (a) State House of Assembly and Governorship Elections;

10 (b) Senate and House of Representatives Elections; and

11 (c) Presidential Election.

12 3. This Bill may be cited as the Electoral Act (Amendment) Bill,
13 2017.

Short title

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This bill seeks to alter the order in which elections are held in Nigeria by allowing elections into a State House Assembly and the office of a Governor to be held first while the Presidential Election would be the last on the time table.