

# A BILL

## FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR MUSEUM AND MONUMENT ACT CAP N19 LFN 2004 TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT PAID AS FINE FOR THE COMMISSION OF AN OFFENCE AND FOR OTHER CONNECTED MATTER THERETO

*Sponsored by Hon. Chukwuemeka Ujam*

[ ] Commencement

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

1           1. National Commission for museum and Monument Act Cap N19  
2           LFN in this Act referred to as the Principal Act is amended as set out below:

3           2. Section 13 is amended in subsection (7) to delete the figure  
4           N200 and insert the figure N2000 to read as follows:  
5           “any person who contravenes the provision of subsection (3) of this section  
6           shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine of  
7           N2000 or imprisonment for six months or to both such fine and  
8           imprisonment”.

Amendment of  
Section 13 (7) of  
the Principal Act

9           3. Section 18 in sub section 1 is amended by deleting the figure  
10          NI000 to insert the figure N20,000 to read as follows;  
11          “any person who save as it is provided in this Act willfully destroys, defaces,  
12          alter, removes or excavates any monument shall be guilty of an offence and  
13          shall be liable on conviction to a fine of NI0, 000 or twice the value of such  
14          monument (whichever is higher or to imprisonment for twelve months or to  
15          both fine such fine and imprisonment”.

Amendment of  
Section 18 (1) of  
the Principal Act

16          4. Section 18 in subsection 2 is amended by deleting the figure  
17          N500 and inserting the figure N5000 to read as follows:

Amendment of  
Section 18 (2) of  
the Principal Act

18          “Any person who without lawful authority destroys, defaces, alters or  
19          removes any notice, mark or sign, denoting any monument or any fence,

1 covering or other thing erected or provided for the maintenance of a  
2 monument, shall be guilty of an offence and liable on conviction to fine or  
3 N5000 or to imprisonment for six months or the both such and imprisonment”.

Amendment of  
Section 19 (5) of  
the Principal Act

4           5. Section 19 in subsection (5) is amended by deleting the figure N500  
5 and inserting the figure N5000 to read as follows:

6 “Any person who contravenes the provisions of subsection (1) or (4) of this  
7 section or fails to comply with any conditions of a permit granted to him under  
8 this section, shall be guilty of an offence and liable on conviction to a fine of  
9 N500 or to imprisonment for six months or to both such fine and  
10 imprisonment”.

Amendment of  
Section 20 (3) of  
the Principal Act

11           6. Section 20 in Subsection 3 is amended by deleting the figure N500  
12 and inserting the figure N5000 to read as follows:

13 “Any person who knowingly fails to comply with any of the foregoing  
14 provisions of this section shall be guilty of an offence and liable on conviction  
15 to a fine of N5000 or to imprisonment for six months or to both fine and  
16 imprisonment.”

Amendment of  
Section 21 (2) of  
the Principal Act

17           7. Section 21 in subsection 2 is amended by deleting the figure  
18 N2000 and inserting the figure N20,000 to read as follows:

19 “Any person who contravenes the provisions of this section shall be guilty of an  
20 offence and on conviction shall be liable to a fine of N20, 000 or five times the  
21 value of the antiquity, whichever is the greater, or to imprisonment for three  
22 years, and the court imposing the fine or the imprisonment shall make an order  
23 for the forfeiture of the antiquity connected with the offence to the State.”

Amendment of  
Section 22 (6) of  
the Principal Act

24           8. Section 22 in subsection 6 is amended by deleting the figure NI000  
25 and inserting the figure N100,000 to read as follows:

26 “Any person obstruction a police or an officer of the Customs, Immigration and  
27 Prisons Services Board in the performance of his duties under this Act shall be  
28 guilty of an offence and liable on conviction to a fine of NI0, 000 or to  
29 imprisonment for three years.”

