

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO MAKE THE PROVISION OF FIRST AID KITS COMPULSORY IN
VEHICLES, PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND SCHOOLS IN NIGERIA AND FOR
RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon Kehinde Agboola

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

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| 1 | 1. The objective of the Act is to ensure the provision of first aid kits | Objective of the Act |
| 2 | in commercial vehicles and public buildings in Nigeria in order to reduce | |
| 3 | untimely deaths in cases of accidents and sudden sickness. | |
| 4 | 2. The first aids materials listed in the schedule to this Act shall be | First aid materials |
| 5 | provided in commercial vehicles and public buildings in Nigeria. | |
| 6 | PART I - PROVISION OF FIRST AID KITS IN COMMERCIAL VEHICLES | |
| 7 | 3. It shall be compulsory for the driver or owner of every | Provision of first aid kits in vehicles |
| 8 | commercial vehicle to provide a first aid kit in his vehicle. | |
| 9 | 4. Where an accident occurs in the course of a journey, it shall be | Application of first aid by passengers |
| 10 | lawful for any passenger who is not injured to use any material in the first aid | |
| 11 | kit to revive or treat any passenger that is injured in the accident. | |
| 12 | 5. Where the personnel of the Federal Road Safety Commission | Application of first aid by Road Safety officials |
| 13 | are available shortly after the occurrence of an accident, it shall be lawful for | |
| 14 | them to use any material in the first aid kit provided in the vehicle to revive | |
| 15 | or treat any injured passenger before taking hi to the hospital. | |
| 16 | PART II - PROVISION OF FIRST AID KITS IN PUBLIC BUILDINGS | |
| 17 | 6. It shall be compulsory for the owner or occupiers of every | Provision of first aid kits in public buildings |
| 18 | public building to provide a first aid kit in the premises of such building. | |
| 19 | 7. Where a person slumps or sustains injury in the premises of a | Application of first aid by neighbours |
| 20 | public building and there is a reasonable apprehension that he may die | |

	1	before he is taken to the hospital, it shall be lawful for other occupiers in the
	2	premises to revive or treat him with a first aid material.
Application of first aid by medical personnel	3	8. Where there is a medical personnel in the premises, it shall be his
	4	duty to use any first aid material provided in the building to revive or treat a sick
	5	or injured person in the premises before he is taken to the hospital
	6	PART III - PROVISION OF FIRST AID KITS IN SCHOOLS
Provision of first aid kits in Schools	7	9. It shall be compulsory for every public/private schools to provide
	8	First Aid courses in primary, secondary and tertiary institutions in Nigeria to
	9	complement social, health/physical and citizenship studies in Schools;
	10	10. To encourage the compulsory provision of a well-stocked First
	11	Aid Container/kits in classrooms;
	12	PART IV - OFFENCES AND PUNISHMENTS
Punishment for non-provision of first aid kits	13	11. Any driver or owner of a commercial vehicle who refuses to
	14	provide a first aid kit in his vehicle shall be guilty of an offence and liable on
	15	conviction to an imprisonment for a term of six months or a fine of N10,000.
	16	12.-(1) Any owner of a public building who refuses to provide a first
	17	aid kit in the building shall be guilty of an offence and liable on conviction to an
	18	imprisonment for a term of four months or a fine of N10,000.
	19	(2) Where the building is owned by a government establishment, the
	20	establishment shall be liable to a fine of N10,000.
	21	13.-(1) Any public or private schools who refuses to provide a first aid
	22	kit in the school shall be guilty of an offence and liable on conviction to an
	23	imprisonment for a term of four months or a fine of N20,000.
	24	(2) Where the school is owned by a government or private
	25	establishment, the establishment shall be liable to a fine of N20,000.
Punishment for obstructing use of first aid	26	14. Any school who obstructs or prevents the use of a first aid
	27	material to treat a sick or an injured person shall be guilty of an offence and
	28	liable on conviction to an imprisonment for a term of six months or a fine of
	29	N10,000.

This Bill seeks to make it compulsory for owners of commercial vehicles and public buildings to provide first aid kits in their vehicles and buildings to ensure the reduction of untimely deaths in cases of accidents and sudden sickness.