

**[HB. 15.11.155]**

**C 2361**

UNIVERSAL BASIC EDUCATION (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2015

ARRANGEMENT OF CLAUSES:

*Clause:*

1. Amendment of Universal Basic Education Act, 2004
2. Amendment of Section 2 of the Principal Act
3. Citation

# A BILL

## FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE PROVISION OF THE COMPULSORY UNIVERSAL BASIC EDUCATION ACT 2004 AND OTHERS RELATED MATTERS THERETO

*Sponsored by Hon. Beni Lar*

[ ] Commencement

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

- 1           **1.** The Compulsory Free, Universal Basic Education Act, 2004 (in Amendment of  
2 this Act referred as 'the Principal Act' is amended as set out in the Act). UBE Act 2015
- 3           **2.** The Principal Act is amended by inserting immediately after the Amendment of  
4 existing Section 2, a new sub-section 2 that is: Section II
- 5           (ii) All Universal Basic Education (UBE) Schools shall provide  
6 one free meal a day for every child of primary school ages of 6-8 years and  
7 primary classes 1-2.
- 8           **3.** Renumber sub-section 2, 3 and 4 of the Principal Act as sub- Consequential  
9 sections 3, 4 and 5 respectively. Amendment
- 10           **4.** This Act may be cited as the Compulsory, Free, Universal Basic Short Title  
11 Education Act, (Amendment) Bill, 2015.

### EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This bill seeks to amend the Universal Basic Education Act, 2004 to provide for compulsory free meal a day for children of ages 6-8 and primary classes 1-2 in Universal Basic Education Schools in the Federal Republic of Nigeria.

It further seeks to address the failure of children in primary school from concentrating on school activities and work on the ground of hunger.