

# A BILL

## FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SERVICE ACT NO. 3 OF 2014, TO  
ENABLE THE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY TO USE  
AND BEAR ARMS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING ADEQUATE SECURITY TO  
NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, ITS PRECINCTS AND ITS OTHER PREMISES AND FOR  
RELATED MATTERS

*Sponsored by Hon. Ossai Nicholas Ossai*

[ ] Commencement

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

- 1                   **1.** The National Assembly Service Commission Act No.3 of 2014      Amendment of  
2 (in this bill referred to as "the Principal Act") is amended as set out in this      Act No. 3 of 2014  
3 Bill.
- 4                   **2.** Section 12 of the Principal Act is amended, by inserting after the      Amendment of  
5 existing subsection "(2)", a new subsections "(3)'1 and 1/(4)":      Section 12  
6                   “(3) Subject to sub-section (2) of this Section, the Sergeant At-  
7 Arms of the National Assembly shall use and bear arms for the purpose of  
8 providing adequate security to the National Assembly, its precincts and  
9 other National Assembly premises.”
- 10                   “(4) The National Assembly shall procure arms for use by the  
11 Sergeant-At-Arms and shall train the Sergeant - At - Arms on the use,  
12 bearing and storage of arms.”
- 13                   **3.** This Bill may be cited as National Assembly Service Act      Citation  
14 (Amendment) Bill, 2018.

## EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to take cognizance of the constant interference and abuses of Executive Powers through the instrumentality of security operatives on the legislative Institutions in Nigeria which is desecrating the altar of law making and thereby eroding legislative independence.

The use of arms by the Sergeant-At-Arms of the National Assembly will provide adequate security to the National Assembly, its precincts and other National Assembly premises.