A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 5 OF THE POLICE ACT, CAP. 19, LAWS OF THE FEDERATION OF NIGERIA, 2004, TO, AMONGST OTHERS, PROVIDE FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF POLICE FROM AMONG SERVING DEPUTY INSPECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE AND FOR RELATED MATTERS, 2019

Sponsored by Hon. Uzoma Nkem Abonta

[ ] Commencement

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

1. The Police Act Cap 19 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria 2004 (in this Bill referred to as the "Principal Act") is hereby amended as set out in this Bill. Amendment of the Police Act Cap. 19 LFN, 2004

2. Section 5 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting (1) as follows- Amendment of Section 5

(1) The President may, upon the advice of the Nigeria Police Council, appoint the Inspector-General of Police from among serving Deputy Inspectors General of Police.

3. This Bill may be cited as the Police Act (Amendment) Bill, 2019. Citation

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend the Police Act Cap. 19 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria to make provisions for the appointment of the Inspector - General of Police from among Deputy Inspectors General Police to enhance the organization and administration of the Nigeria Police Force as well as create stability and efficiency in the office of the Inspector General of Police.