

# A BILL

## FOR

AN ACT TO ALTER SECTION 124 OF THE POLICE ACT, CAP. P19 LAWS OF THE FEDERATION OF NIGERIA 2004 AND FOR MATTERS CONNECTED THERETO, 2015

*Sponsored by Hon. Joan O. Mrakpor*

[ ] Commencement

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

1           1. The Police Act Cap. P19 Laws of The Federation of Nigeria  
2           2004 (hereinafter referred to as "The Principal Act") is altered by:

Alteration of the  
Police Act

3           2. Inserting immediately after the existing Section 124, new  
4           Subsection "(2)":

Alteration of the  
Section 124

5           (2) A male Police Officer who is desirous of marrying must first  
6           apply in writing to the Commissioner of Police for the state Police  
7           Command in which he is serving, requesting permission to marry and giving  
8           the name, address, occupation of the person he intends to marry. Permission  
9           will be granted for the marriage if the intended wife is of good character and  
10          the male Police Officer has served in the force for a period of not less than  
11          one year.

12          3. This Bill may be cited as The Police Act Laws of The Federation  
13          of Nigerian 2004 (Alteration) Bill, 2015.

Citation

### EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Bill seeks to Alter Section 124 of the Police Act Cap. P19 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria 2004 to provide for the need for male Police Officers like their female counterparts seeking to get married to apply for permission. This becomes necessary because of recent upsurge in heinous crimes involving women like armed robbery, terrorism etc.