

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE FIREARMS ACT NO.32, CAP F28 LFN, 1959, TO INCREASE PENALTIES FOR OFFENCES, MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS UNDER THE ACT AND OTHER MATTERS CONNECTED THEREWITH.

Sponsored by Hon: Odebumi Olusegun Dokun

[] Commencement

ENACTED by the National Assembly Federal Republic of Nigeria:

1 1. The Firearms Act no. 32, CAP F 28 LFN, 1959 (here in after
2 referred to as "the Principal Act") is amended as set out below.

3 2. Section 27 (1) paragraph(c) of the principal Act is amended to
4 read as follows:

5 (c) as to any offences under any of the following:

6 (i) section 5 (3) of this Act (which restricts the possession or control
7 of a muzzle-loading firearm within a specified area);

8 (ii) section 7(2) of this Act, (which requires notification of loss,
9 theft or destruction and certain other things with respect to firearms);

10 (iii) section 10 of this Act (which relates to a registered dealer's
11 armoury);

12 (iv) section 11 of this Act (which deals with the sale or transfer of
13 firearms or ammunition to license holders); and

14 (v) section 12 of this Act (which relates to the stamping of all
15 firearms sold or transferred), to a fine of two hundred thousand naira or
16 imprisonment for a term of four years or to both such fine and imprisonment.

17 3. Section 28 of the principal Act is amended to read as follows:

18 28. Production of license:

19 The holder of any license or permit granted in accordance with the provision
20 of this Act shall produce the same, and if so required any firearm or

1 ammunition to which such license or permit relates, upon the request of a
2 police officer, and in default shall be liable upon conviction to a fine of two
3 hundred thousand naira or imprisonment for three years or both.

4 4. Section 29 of the principal Act is amended to read as follows:

5 29. Time for compliance:

6 Reasonable time of not less than twenty four hours and not more than seventy
7 two hours shall be given by a police officer for compliance with the provision
8 of section 28 of this Act.

9 5. Section 48 of firearms regulations (LFN of 1959, Section 33) of the
10 principal Act is amended to read as follows:

11 48. Offence and Penalties:

12 Any person who contravene or fails to comply with the provisions of regulation
13 6(1),9, 10, 14,15,17, or 21 of these Regulations shall be guilty of an offence and
14 liable to a fine of two hundred thousand naira or imprisonment for three years
15 or both.

16 6. Regulation 46, Second Schedule of subsidiary legislation of the
17 principal Act is amended to read as follows;

Short Title

18 7. This Bill may be cited as the Firearms Act (Amendment) Bill, 2015.

SECOND SCHEDULE

[Regulation 46.]

Fees payable for licenses, permits and registration, and renewals thereof

1. For a license to import arms or ammunition:

(a) For any fire arm of category 6, 7 or 8 in Part I of the Schedule to the
Act 50,000

(b) For any fire arm of category 1 and 2 in Part II of the Schedule to the
Act 20,000

(c) For any air-rifle..... 10,000

(d) For every 100 cartridges or part thereof..... 5,000

2. For a license to bear:
- (a) Any firearm of category 6, 7 or 8 in Part I of the Schedule to the Act 60,000
- (b) Any firearm of category 1 and 2 in Part II of the Schedule to the Act..... 20,000
- (c) Any air-rifle..... 10,000
3. For a permit granted in respect of arms in transit:
- (a) For any firearm..... 10,000
- (b) For every 100 cartridges or part thereof..... 10,000
4. For a permit to carry on a business for the manufacture and repair of firearms specified in part III of the Schedule to the Act in premises which constitute a factory within the meaning of the Factories Act (Cap. F1)..... 2,500,0000
5. For registration as a registered firearms dealer 2,5000000
6. For a permit to carry on the business of repairing firearms referred in Parts II and III of the Schedule to the Act..... 500,000
7. For a permit to carry on the business of manufacture and repair of firearms specified in Part III of the Schedule to the Act in premises which do not constitute a factory within the meaning of the Factories Act (Cap. F1) 500,000

