

**A BILL****FOR**

AN ACT TO AMEND THE UTILITIES CHARGES COMMISSION ACT CAP U17  
LFN 2004 TO REVIEW UPWARDS THE FINES STIPULATED FOR OFFENCES  
UNDER THE ACT AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS

*Sponsored by Hon. Chukwukere Austine Ikechukwu*

[ ] Commencement

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

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| 1  | 1. The Utilities Charges Commission Act Cap U17 2004 (in this              | Amendment of                                   |
| 2  | Act referred to as "the Principal Act") is amended as set out in this Act. | Cap. U17 LFN,<br>2004                          |
| 3  | 2. Section 7 of the Principal Act is amended in sub section (2) by         | Amendment of                                   |
| 4  | substituting for the amount "N10, 000", the amount "N500, 000".            | Section 7 of the<br>Principal Act              |
| 5  | 3. Section 11 of the Principal Act is amended in sub section (5) by        | Amendment of                                   |
| 6  | substituting for the amount "N10, 000", the amount "N500, 000".            | Section 11 of the<br>Principal Act             |
| 7  | 4. Section 13 of the Principal Act is amended in sub section (2) by        | Amendment of                                   |
| 8  | substituting for the amount "N10, 000", the amount "N500, 000".            | Section 13 of the<br>Principal Act             |
| 9  | 5. The Second Schedule to the Principal Act is amended by-                 | Amendment of                                   |
| 10 | (a) deleting paragraphs (a), (b) and (d); and                              | the Second<br>Schedule to the<br>Principal Act |
| 11 | (b) re-numbering the existing paragraphs (c), (e), (f), (g), (h), (i)      |  |
| 12 | and (j) as paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) and (g) respectively.   |  |
| 13 | 6. This Act may be cited as the Utilities Charges Commission               | Short title                                    |
| 14 | (Amendment) Bill, 2015.  |  |

**EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM**

*(This memorandum does not form part of the above Act, but is intended  
to explain its purport)*

This Bill seeks to amend the Utilities Charges Commission Act (Cap U17  
LFN 2004, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004) to among other things,  
review upwards the fines stipulated for offences under the Act.