A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE DANGEROUS DRUGS ACT CAP. D1 LAWS OF THE FEDERATION OF NIGERIA, 2004 TO GIVE POWERS TO THE MINISTER OF HEALTH TO REGULATE CERTAIN CLASSES OF DRUGS, ALLOW ARRESTS TO BE EFFECTED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND REVIEW THE PRESCRIBED PENALTY PROVIDED UNDER THE ACT; AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon. Chike John Okafor

Commencement ENACTED by the National Assembly of the Federal Republic of Nigeria-1. The Dangerous Drugs Act Cap. D1 Laws of the Federation of Amendment of CAP. DI LFN, Nigeria, 2004 (in this Bill referred to as the "Principal Act") is amended as 2004 set out in this Bill. 3 2. Section 8 (2) (b) of the Principal Act is amended by substituting 4 Amendment of Section 8 (2) for the word, "is" in line 2, the word "are". 3. Section 9 of the Principal Act is amended-6 Amendment of Section 9 (a) In subsection (1), by substituting for the word "President" in line 5, the words, "Minister of Health"; and 8 9 (b) In subsection (3), by substituting for the word, "president" in 10 line I, the words "Minister of Health". 4. Section 10 of the Principal Act is amended, in the definition of-11 Amendment of Section 10 (a) "conveyance", by inserting after the word, "motor" in line 1, the word "vehicle"; 13 (b) "export authority", by inserting-14 15 (i) after the word, "quantity", in line 3, the word 'which", and (ii) The word "which' in line 5, after the word "within". 16 17 5. Section 19 (2) of the Principal Act is amended by substituting Amendment of Section 19 (2) 18 for the word "two' in line 2, the word "twenty".

Amendment of Section 21

6. Section 21 of the Principal Act is amended by substituting for the words "any police officers", in line 1, the words "any person".

7. This Bill may be cited as the Dangerous Drugs (Amendment) Bill, 4 2015.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

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This Bill seeks to amend the Dangerous Drugs Act Cap. D1 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to give powers to the Minister of health to regulate certain classes of drugs, allow arrests to be effected by the members of the public and review the prescribed penalty provided under the Act.