

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE PRIVATE GUARDS COMPANIES ACT CAP P. 30 LAWS OF THE FEDERATION OF NIGERIA, 2004. RELATING TO THEIR LICENCING, REGULATION AND OTHER MATTERS CONNECTED THERETO

Sponsored by Hon. Igarwey Iduma Enwo

[] Commencement

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

- 1 1. The Private Guards Companies Act Cap P. 30 Laws of The
2 Federation of Nigerian 2004 (herein referred to as the "Principal Act") is
3 amended as set out in this Bill. Amendment of
the Principal Act
- 4 2. Section 19 of the Principal Act is hereby amended to read: Amendment of
Section 19
- 5 S. 19. The Licensing Authority for Private guard companies is the
6 Nigerian Security and Civil Defence Corps [NSCDC].
- 7 3. Section 32(1)(a) of the Principal Act is hereby amended by Amendment of
32(1)(a)
8 removing the amount of N400:00 replacing it with N50,000:00.
- 9 4. Section 32(1)(b) of the Principal Act is hereby amended by
10 removing the amount of N5000:00 replacing it with N200,000:00.
- 11 5. Section 36 of the Principal Act which is the Interpretation Amendment of
Section 36
12 Section is amended by defining "Licensing Authority" to mean Nigerian
13 Security and Civil Defence Corps (NSCDC).
- 14 6. This Bill may be cited as the Private Guard Companies Act Short title
15 (First Amendment) Bill, 2016.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to vest Licensing of Private Guard Companies Expressly in the hands of the Nigerian Security and Civil Defence Corps (NSCDC) as well as to raise the monetary penalties that accrue upon default.