

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE ELECTORAL ACT 2010 TO INCREASE THE AMOUNTS PERMITTED AS MAXIMUM ELECTION EXPENSES TO BE INCURRED BY CANDIDATES STANDING FOR ELECTIONS AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon. Olatoye Temitope Sugar

[] Commencement

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

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| 1 | 1. The Electoral Act 2010 (hereinafter referred to as "the Principal | Amendment of |
| 2 | Act") is amended as set out in this Act. | the Electoral |
| 3 | 2. Section 91 of the Principal Act is amended by substituting the | Act 2010 |
| 4 | figures "N1,000,000,000.00 in sub-section (2) with the figures | Amendment of |
| 5 | "N5,000,000,000" | Section 91 (2) |
| 6 | 3. Section 91 of the Principal Act is amended by substituting the | Amendment of |
| 7 | figures "N200,000,000" in sub-section (3) with the figures | Section 91 (3) |
| 8 | "N1,000,000,000". | |
| 9 | 4. Delete sub-section (4) of the Principal Act and substitute with a | Amendment of |
| 10 | new sub-section (4) as follows: | Section 91 (4) |
| 11 | "The maximum amount of election expenses to be incurred in respect of | |
| 12 | Senatorial and House of Representatives Seats shall be N100,000,000 and | |
| 13 | N70,000,000 respectively". | |
| 14 | 5. Section 91 of the Principal Act is amended by substituting the | Amendment of |
| 15 | figures "N10,000,000" in sub-section (5) with the figures "N30,000,000" | Section 91 (5) |
| 16 | 6. Section 91 of the Principal Act is amended by substituting the | Amendment of |
| 17 | words "Ten Million Naira (N10,000,000)" in sub-section (6) with the words | Section 91 (6) |
| 18 | "thirty Million Naira (N30,000,000)". | |

Amendment of
Section 91 (7)

1 7. Section 91 of the Principal Act is amended by substituting the
2 words "shall be One Million Naira (N1,000,000)" in sub-section (7) with the
3 words "shall be Five Million Naira (N5,000,000)".

Amendment of
Section 91 (9)

4 8. Section 91 of the Principal Act is amended by substituting the
5 figures "N1,000,000" in sub-section (9) with the figures "N10,000,000".

6 9. This Act may be cited as the Electoral Act 2010 (Amendment) Bill,
7 2016.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to increase the maximum amounts permitted to be incurred as election expenses by candidates standing for election into various offices.