

# A BILL

## FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE PROVISION OF SECTIONS 136 AND 181 OF THE  
CONSTITUTION OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA (AMENDED) 1999  
AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

*Sponsored by Hon. Asabe Vilita Bashir*

[ ] Commencement

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

1           1. The Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria 1999, as  
2 amended (in this Bill referred to as "The Principal Act") is altered as set out  
3 hereunder.

4           2. Sections 136 and 181 of The Principal Act are altered to include  
5 new subsections (3) to read as follows:

6           136(3) if a presidential candidate dies during an election, or is  
7 unable for any reason whatsoever to conclude the election before  
8 declaration of result, the person nominated as his running mate and vice  
9 presidential candidate shall continue with the election as presidential  
10 candidate and if elected, shall after being sworn in as president nominate a  
11 new vice president who shall be appointed by the new president with the  
12 approval by a simple majority of the National Assembly at a joint sitting.

13           181(3) if a governorship candidate dies during an election, or is  
14 unable for any reason whatsoever to conclude the election before  
15 declaration of result, the person nominated as his running mate and deputy  
16 governorship candidate shall continue with the election as governorship  
17 candidate and if elected, shall after being sworn in as governor nominate a  
18 new deputy governor who shall be appointed by the new governor with the  
19 approval by a simple majority of the House of Assembly.

1                   3. This Bill may be cited as Constitution of the Federal Republic of  
2 Nigeria (Alteration) Bill, 2016.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend sections 136 and 181 of Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria (amended) 1999 to provide for replacement of a presidential candidate or governorship candidate who dies during the conduct of election, but before declaration of result, with their running mate.