

FEDERAL CHARACTER COMMISSION (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2015

ARRANGEMENT OF CLAUSES

Clause:

1. **Amendment of the Principal Act**
2. **Amendment of Section 4**
3. **Citation.**

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE FEDERAL CHARACTER COMMISSION ACT CAP. F7 LAWS OF THE FEDERATION OF NIGERIA 2004, TO AMONG OTHER THINGS EMPOWER THE COMMISSION TO ENSURE THAT EXISTING VACANCIES ABOVE GRADE LEVEL 10 OR ITS EQUIVALENT IN MINISTRIES, DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES ARE NOT FILLED WITH PERSON FROM OUTSIDE THE AFFECTED MINISTRIES, DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES EXCEPT WHERE THERE IS NO QUALIFIED PERSON IN ORDER TO AVOID STAGNATION, REDUNDANCY AND TO ENCOURAGE EFFECTIVE SERVICE DELIVERY AND FOR RELATED MATTERS.

Sponsored by Hon. Musa Sarkin Adar

[] Commencement

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

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| 1 | 1. The Federal Character Commission Act Cap. F7 Laws of the | Amendment of |
| 2 | Federation of Nigeria, 2004 (in this Bill referred to as “the Principal Act”) is | the Principal Act |
| 3 | amended as set out in this Bill. | |
| 4 | 2. Section 4 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting new | Amendment of |
| 5 | “paragraph (h) after existing paragraph (g)”: | Section 4 |
| 6 | “(h) to ensure that all Ministries, Departments and Agencies do not | |
| 7 | fill any existing vacancy above grade level 10 or its equivalent with person | |
| 8 | outside the affected ministry, department and agency except where there is | |
| 9 | no qualified person for the post”. | |
| 10 | 3. This Bill may be cited as Federal Character Commission | Citation |
| 11 | (Amendment) Bill, 2015. | |

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend the Federal Character Commission Act Cap. F7 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria 2004, to among other things empower the Commission to ensure that existing vacancies above grade level 10 or its equivalent in Ministries, Departments and Agencies are not filled with person from outside the affected ministries, departments and agencies except where there is no qualified person in order to avoid stagnation, redundancy and to encourage effective service delivery.