

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE PROVISION OF SECTION 147 (3) OF THE
CONSTITUTION OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA 1999

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. Section 147 (3) of The Principal Act is altered by adding the
5 following words to the provision just after the phrase 'indigene of such state'
6 as follows:

7 "and not less than 35% of the Ministers appointed shall be
8 women."

9 3. This Bill may be cited as Constitution of the Federal Republic of
10 Nigeria (Alteration) Bill, 2016. Citation

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend section 147 (3) of Constitution of the Federal
Republic of Nigeria (amended) 1999 to ensure not less than 35% women
representation in the federal cabinet thereby giving constitutional impetus to
the already existing national gender policy.