

# A BILL

## FOR

AN ACT TO ALTER THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 82 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA, 1999 (AS AMENDED) TO REDUCE THE PERIOD ALLOWED FOR PRE-BUDGET EXPENDITURE AUTHORIZATION BY MR. PRESIDENT FROM SIX TO THREE MONTHS, AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

*Sponsored by Hon. Igariwey Iduma Enwo*

[ . . . ] 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) (hereinafter called "the Principal Act") is altered as follows:

3 Section 82 (first paragraph) is altered to read:

4           S82 "If the Appropriation Bill in respect of any financial year has  
5 not been passed into law by the beginning of the financial year, the president  
6 may authorise the withdrawal of moneys from the Consolidated Revenue  
7 Fund of the Federation for the purpose of meeting expenditure necessary to  
8 carry on the services of the Government of the Federation for a period not  
9 exceeding three months or until the coming into operation of the  
10 Appropriation Act, whichever is the earlier."

11           2. This Bill may be cited as the Constitution of the Federal  
12 Republic of Nigeria 1999 (Alteration) Bill, 2016. Short Title

### EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Bill seeks to reduce to three months the period that the president is allowed to spend without authorization.

