

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 13(1) OF THE CHILD'S RIGHT ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE RIGHT TO FREE AND COMPULSORY MEDICAL TREATMENT FOR EVERY CHILD BELOW THE AGE OF 5 YEARS AND FOR RELATED MATTERS, 2017

Sponsored by Hon. Asabe Vilita Bashir

[] Commencement

BE IT ENACTED by the National Assembly of the Federal

1 Republic of Nigeria as follows:

2 1. The provisions of the Child's Right Act (hereinafter referred to
3 as "the Principal Act" is amended as set hereunder. Amendment of
the Principal Act

4 2. Section 13 (1) of the Principal Act is amended by adding,
5 immediately after the word 'health' the following phrase: Amendment of
Section 13 (1)

6 "Every child under the age of 5 years is entitled to free and
7 compulsory medical attention or treatment in government owned hospital or
8 health facility."

9 3. This Bill may be cited as the Child's Right Act (Amendment) Citation
10 Bill, 2017.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

The Bill seeks to amend Section 13(1) of the Child's Right Act to provide for the right to free and compulsory medical treatment for every child below the age of 5 years in government owned hospital or health facility.