

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE NIGER-DELTA DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (ESTABLISHMENT, ETC.) ACT, CAP N86 LFN 2004 TO PROVIDE FOR MORE FUNCTIONAL STATE OFFICES AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon. Daniel Reyenieju

[] Commencement

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

1 **1.** The Niger Delta Development Commission (Establishment, Amendment of
2 etc.) Act, Cap. N86 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria 2004 in this Bill Cap. N86, LFN
3 referred to as (“the Principal Act”) is amended as set out in this Bill. 2004

4 **2.** Section 1(3) of the Principal Act is amended by: Amendment of
5 (a) inserting after the words "each member state of the Section 1(3)

6 Commission" the words "which shall; and

7 (b) inserting new paragraphs "(a)" - "(C)":

8 (a) be headed by a State Commissioner who shall also be the person
9 representing the state in the Governing Board;

10 (b) confer executive powers on the State Commissioner to carry
11 out such functions as may be expedient for the proper running of the
12 Commission; and

13 (c) empower the state offices to conceive, identify, design, award
14 and implement projects and programmes for the sustainable development of
15 each member state".

16 **3.** Section 14(3) of the Principal Act is amended by: Amendment of
17 (a) inserting new paragraphs "(bb)" and "(bc)": Section 14(3)

18 “(bb) stating that 30% of the assets or fund of the Commission shall
19 be held and managed by the Board for running of the Head Office and
20 execution of regional projects;

1 “(bc) stating that 70% of the assets or fund of the Commission shall be
2 held and managed by the member states based on their quota contribution to
3 total National oil production for running of the State Office and execution of
4 state projects; and

5 (b) renumbering the subsections appropriately.

Citation

6 **4.** This Bill is cited as the Niger-Delta Development Commission
7 (Establishment. Etc.) (Amendment) Bill, 2017.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend the Niger-Delta Development Commission Act to provide for more power to state offices to identify, design, award and execute projects within their domains. Also to specify how the assets or fund of the Commission shall be managed and held by both the Board and the State Offices.