

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE COPYRIGHT ACT, TO PROVIDE FOR
STIFFER PENALTIES FOR CONTRAVENTERS OF THE ACT AND FOR
RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon. Bede Eke

[] Commencement

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

PART I

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| 1 | 1. The Copyright Act Cap C28 LFN, 2004,(herein referred to as | Amendment of |
| 2 | "the Principal Act") is amended as set out: | the Principal Act |
| 3 | 2. Section 20 (1) of the Principal Act is amended as follows: | Amendment of |
| 4 | (a) By substituting the figure "N1000" with the figure "N100,000"; | Section 20 |
| 5 | (b) By substituting the phrase "Five Years" with the phrase "Ten | |
| 6 | years". | |
| 7 | 3. Section 20(2) is hereby amended by- | |
| 8 | (a) By substituting the figure "N100" and replacing it with the | |
| 9 | figure "N50000" | |
| 10 | 4. Section 20(3) is hereby amended as follows- | |
| 11 | (a) By substituting the figure "N100" and replacing it with the | |
| 12 | figure "N50000" | |
| 13 | 5. Section 21 (1) of the Principal Act is amended as follows- | Amendment of |
| 14 | (a) By substituting the figure "N100,000" and replacing it with the | Section 21 |
| 15 | figure "N 300 000" | |
| 16 | 6. Section 21(2) of the Principal Act is amended as follows- | |
| 17 | (a) By substituting the phrase "Twelve months" with the phrase | |
| 18 | "Twenty-four months" in paragraph (2); | |
| 19 | 7. Section 21(2) of the Principal Act is amended as follows- | |

1 (a) By substituting the figure "N500,000" with the figure
2 "N1,000,000";

3 (b) By substituting the phrase "Five years" with the phrase "Ten
4 years".

5 8. Section 21(4) of the Principal Act is hereby amended as follows-

6 (a) By substituting the figure "N50,000" with the figure "N250,000";

Amendment of
Section 23

7 9. Section 23 (a) is hereby amended by-

8 (a) By substituting the figure "N10,000" with the figure "N30,000";

Amendment of
Section 25

9 10. Section 25 (2) of the Principal Act is hereby amended as follows-

10 "Substituting the figure "N1000" with the figure "N100 000".

11 PART II - NEIGHBOURING RIGHTS

Amendment of
Section 30

12 11. Section 30 (1a) is hereby amended by-

13 "By substituting the figure "N10,000" with the figure "N100,000";

14 12. Section 30 (1b) of the Principal Act is hereby amended by-

15 "Substituting the figure "N50,000" with the figure "N5,000,000";

16 13. Section 30 (1c) of the Principle Act is hereby Amended by-

17 "By substituting the figure "N100" with the figure "N100,00";

Amendment of
Section 33

18 14. Section 33 (2a) of the Principal Act is hereby amended by-

19 "By substituting the figure "N100,000" and the phrase "Twelve
20 months" with the figure "N1000,000" and the phrase "Twenty-four months"
21 respectively;

Amendment of
Section 38

22 15. Section 38(4) of the Principal Act is hereby amended by-

23 (a) "By substituting the figure N500" with the figure "N50,000";

24 (b) By substituting the phrase "three months" with the phrase "six
25 months";

Amendment of
Section 39

26 16. Section 39(5) of the Principal Act is hereby amended by-

27 (a) By substituting the figure "N1000" in paragraph 2 with the figure
28 "N100,000" thereof;

29 (b) By substituting the figure "N2000" with the figure "N20,000"
30 thereof.

- 1 17. Section 39(6) of the Principal Act is hereby amended by- Amendment of
2 (a) By substituting the figure "N10,000" with the figure thereof; Section 39
3 "N100 000" thereof;
4 (b) By substituting the figure "N2000" with the figure "N20,000"
5 thereof.
6 18. This Bill may be cited as the Copy Right (Amendment) Bill, Short Title
7 2017.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend the Copy Right Act Cap. C28, LFN 2004, to provide for stiffer penalties for contraveners of the Act, and for other matters connected therein;

