

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO ALTER THE CONSTITUTION OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA, 1999, TO PROVIDE FOR A UNIFORM PENSION RIGHTS FOR JUDICIAL OFFICERS IN NIGERIA, AND FOR OTHER MATTERS CONNECTED THEREWITH

Sponsored by Senator Solomon Olamilekan

[] 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
2 (herein called "the Principal Act") is hereby altered as follows:

Alteration of
Principal Act

3 2. Section 291 subsection 1 of the Principal Act is altered by
4 substituting for the existing provisions, a new provision thus:

5 "A Judicial Officer appointed to the Supreme Court, the Court of
6 Appeal or any other Superior Court of records may retire when he attains the
7 age of sixty-five years and he shall cease to hold office when he attains the
8 age of seventy years".

9 3. Section 291 subsection 2 of the Principal Act is accordingly
10 deleted:

11 4. Section 291 subsection 1 of the Principal Act is altered by
12 substituting for the existing provisions, a new provision thus:

13 (i) In subsection 3 (a) substitute the phrase "at or after the age of
14 sixty years in any other case" in lines 6-7 with the phrase "Judicial Officer of
15 any State Superior Court of records" "immediately the words "a Justice of
16 the Court of Appeal or" in lines 5-6".

17 (ii) In subsection 3(b) delete the phrase for sixty years as the case
18 may be in line 3.

Short Title

- 1 5. This Bill may be cited as the Constitution of the Federal Republic
2 of Nigeria, 1999 (Alteration) Bill, 2016.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Bill seeks to alter the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 to provide for a uniform Pension Rights for all Judicial Officers in Nigeria.