

# A BILL

## FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE FLAG AND COAT OF ARMS ACT CAP F30, 2006.

*Sponsored by Senator Gershom Bassey*

[ ] Commencement

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

1                   1. The Flag and Coat of Arms Act, CAP F30 (in this Bill referred to  
2 as the "Principal Act") is amended as set out in this Bill. Amendment of  
the Principal Act

3                    *National flag not to be displayed in a faded or bad condition*

4                    2.-(a) by deleting section 7 of the principal Act and inserting a new  
5 section 7 to read as follows: Amendment of  
Section 7

6                    7. Any person or organization that flies or exhibits the National  
7 Flag or the Coat of Arms in a defaced, disrespectful or bad condition shall be  
8 guilty of an offence against this Act.

9    *Penalty*

10                   3.-(a) by deleting the words "one hundred naira" and inserting the  
11 words "five hundred Thousand naira" immediately after the phrase "fine of"  
12 and deleting the words "ten naira" and inserting the words "fifteen thousand  
13 naira" immediately after the phrase "fine of". Amendment of  
Section 10

14                   4. This Bill may be cited as the Flag and Coat of Arms Citation  
15 (Amendment) Bill, 2018.

### EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend the Flag and Coat of Arms Act, CAP F30 LFN to provide for stiffer punishments for persons and organizations that exhibit the National Flag and Coat of Arms in a defaced, disrespectful and bad condition. It also seeks to ensure that the National Flag and Coat of Arms are treated with utmost regards.