

CONSTITUTION OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA, 1999

(FOURTH ALTERATION, NO. 28) BILL, 2019

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

Section:

1. Alteration of the Constitution, 1999
2. Alteration of section 81
3. Alteration of section 121
4. Citation

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO ALTER THE PROVISIONS OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA, 1999 TO SPECIFY THE PERIOD WITHIN WHICH THE PRESIDENT OR GOVERNOR OF A STATE PRESENTS THE APPROPRIATION BILL BEFORE THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OR HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY; AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Senator Ike Ekweremadu

[] Commencement

ENACTED by the National Assembly of the Federal Republic of Nigeria-

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| 1 | 1. The Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (in | Alteration of |
| 2 | this Act referred to as "the Principal Act") is altered as set out in this Bill. | the Constitution, |
| 3 | 2. Section 81 of the Principal Act is altered by - | 1999 |
| 4 | (a) substituting for subsection (1), a new subsection "(1)"- | Alteration of |
| 5 | "(1) The President shall cause to be prepared and laid before each | Section 81 |
| 6 | House of the National Assembly not later than ninety days to the end of a | |
| 7 | financial year, estimates of the revenues and expenditure of the Federation | |
| 8 | for the next following financial year"; and | |
| 9 | (b) inserting, after subsection (1), a new subsection "(1A)"- | |
| 10 | "(1A) The National Assembly shall pass the Appropriation Bill | |
| 11 | before the commencement of the next financial year." | |
| 12 | 3. Section 121 of the Principal Act is altered by - | Alteration of |
| 13 | (a) substituting for subsection (1), a new subsection "(1)"- | Section 121 |
| 14 | "(1) The Governor shall cause to be prepared and laid before the | |
| 15 | House of Assembly not later than ninety days to the end of a financial year | |
| 16 | estimates of the revenues and expenditure of the State for the next following | |
| 17 | financial year"; and | |
| 18 | (b) inserting, after subsection (1), a new subsection "(1A)"- | |

1 "(1A) The House of Assembly shall pass the Appropriation Bill
2 before the commencement of the next financial year."
Citation 3 4. This Bill may be cited as the Constitution of the Federal Republic
4 of Nigeria, 1999 (Fourth Alteration, No. 28) Bill, 2019.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill provides for the time within which the President or Governor shall lay the Appropriation Bill before the National Assembly or House of Assembly to encourage early presentation and passage of Appropriation Bills.