A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ASSOCIATION OF NIGERIA (CHARTERED) AND CHARGED WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY OF ADVANCING THE STUDY, TRAINING AND DETERMINING THE STANDARDS OF KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS TO BE ATTAINED BY PERSONS SEEKING TO BECOME REGISTERED MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon. Muhammad Ali Wudil

ſ ENACTED by the National Assembly of the Federal Republic of Nigeria as follows: PART 1 - ESTABLISHMENT OF OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH 1 2 ASSOCIATION OF NIGERIA 3 1.-(1) There is a body to be known as the occupational safety and Establishment of Occupational health Association of Nigeria (chartered) (in the Bill referred to as The Safety and Health 4 Association of Nigeria 5 Association). (2) The Association: 6 7 (a) Shall be a body corporate with perpetual succession; (b) Shall have a common seal which shall be kept in such custody 8 9 as the council may from time to time, authorize; (c) May sue and be sued in its corporate name. 10 2. The objectives of the Association shall be to: 11 Objectives of the Association 12 (a) Determine the qualifications, Standard of knowledge and skill to be attained by persons seeking to become registered members of the 13 Association and reviewing those standards from time to time as 14 circumstances may require; 15 16 (b) Secure, in accordance with the provision of the Bill the establishment and maintenance of registration of students, Associate 17

1 Commencement

	1	members, members and Fellows of The Association and the publication from
	2	time to time of a list of those members entitled to practice as chartered
	3	occupational safety and health professionals;
	4	(c) Advance the personal development and ethical standards of
	5	occupational safety and health professionals in Nigeria through the provision
	6	of continuous professional development opportunities and the maintenance of
	7	effective relationships with similar organizations;
	8	(d) To provide professional advice and support to all of our members
	9	and to facilitate the professional development of members;
	10	(e) To maintain and promote good fellowship and mutual
	11	understanding among members;
	12	(f) To provide assistance and technical support to Ministries,
	13	Departments and Agencies of Government on development of technical
	14	framework and guidelines on occupational safety and health in Nigeria;
	15	(g) To maintain effective advocacy, awareness and campaign on
	16	health, safety and environmental matters in Nigeria, with the support of any
	17	interested parties;
	18	(h) To provide quality health, safety and environmental education,
	19	training and certification to persons seeking knowledge and skills to practice as
	20	safety and health professional in the public and private sectors.
Membership of the Association	21	3. -(1) Subject to the provisions of the Bill, persons admitted into the
	22	membership of the Association shall be registered as members and shall
	23	possess adequate knowledge, experience and qualifications and other related
	24	disciplines specified under the Bill and are enrolled in categories of:
	25	(a) Fellows;
	26	(b) Members;
	27	(c)Associate members;
	28	(d) Corporate members (Institutional members); and
	29	(e) Graduates/students.
	30	(2) Without Prejudice to the provision of section 3 (1) of the Bill,

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1	persons registered and accorded the status of chartered occupational safety
2	and health professional by the council of the Association under The Bill,
3	shall be entitled to the use of that name and shall be enrolled as:
4	(a) Fellows, if they satisfy the Council within the period of not less
5	than twenty years immediately preceding their enrollment that:
6	(i) They are fit and proper persons;
7	(ii) They are holders of approved academic qualifications;
8	(iii) They have been continuously active as occupational safety and
9	health professional, chief executive/top management staff in the public or
10	private sectors of the economy and as members of the Association; or
11	(b) members, if for the period of not less than ten years,
12	immediately preceding their enrollment in the Association, have gained
13	practical occupational safety and health experience after being admitted as
14	an associate member or holds postgraduate qualification in occupational
15	safety and health studies or related disciplines, found to be fit and proper
16	persons, and as may be approved by council; or
17	(c) Associate members, if they satisfy the Council that they have
18	gained the mandatory knowledge and skills and holds equivalent
19	qualifications from recognized institutions of higher education and are
20	otherwise howsoever found to be fit and proper persons by the Council;
21	(d) Corporate members if:
22	(i) It satisfies the Council that it is eligible to be so registered;
23	(ii) It satisfies all other criteria as may be specified by the Council
24	from time to time to ensure their safety and health compliance within their
25	operations;
26	(iii) a corporate or institutional member of the Association shall be
27	entitled to receive, from the council a certificate in such a form as the
28	Council may approve for that purpose.
29	(3) All newly admitted members into the relevant grades of
30	membership shall undergo membership induction programmes before the

1	confirmation of their admission into such grades, which may take place during
2	the Association activities, such as workshops, seminars, conferences. The
3	following are the order of precedence and designed titular abbreviations for:
4	(a) a fellow of the occupational safety and health Association of
5	Nigeria, which shall be FOSHN;
6	(b) a Member of the Occupational safety and health Association of
7	Nigeria, which shall be MOSHN;
8	(c) an Associate Member of the Occupational safety and health
9	Association of Nigeria which shall be AOSHN;
10	(d) an Graduate Member of the Occupational safety and health
11	Association of Nigeria which shall be GOSHN.
12	(4) Graduates and students registered for training shall become
13	professional members only after satisfying specified qualification
14	requirements for membership and gained verifiable skills and knowledge as
15	approved by the Council and bye-laws of the Association.
16	4(1) There is established for the Association a Governing Board
17	(hereinafter in the establishment Bill referred to as the "Council") which shall
18	provide general policy guidelines for the Association and for its effective
19	administration.
20	(2) The Council shall consist of the following principal officers:
21	(a) The National President of the Association who shall be the
22	Chairman: He or she shall be a person of proven integrity and a Fellow of the
23	Association with not less than five years of post-registration experience, with
24	proof of attendance in the Association's activities;
25	(b) The Deputy President and Vice-President of the Association who
26	shall be the Deputy President and Vice-President respectively, which shall
27	assist the National President in overseeing the affairs of the Association in
28	states and zones within the country;
29	(c) The National Registrar who shall be secretary/administrator to the
30	Governing Council as well as Secretary of Council for the Registration of

Establishment and Composition of the Governing Council

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1	Occupational safety and health professionals;	
2	(d) The National Director of Finance;	
3	(e) The National Director of Audits;	
4	(f) all members of the National Executive Committee including	
5	Ex-official members and Zonal Representatives of Approved States,	
6	Centres/Zones of the Association;	
7	(g) Chairmen/Representatives of Approved committees of the	
8	Association; and	
9	(h) One representative each (of the rank not lower than Assistant	
10	Director) from:	
11	(i) Federal Ministry of Education;	
12	(ii) Federal Ministry of Labour, Employment and Productivity;	
13	(iii) Two representatives from Nigeria Universities or Tertiary or	
14	specialized Institutions offering Programmes related to Occupational Safety	
15	and Health Administration.	
16	5(1) Subject to the provisions of the Bill, all appointed officers of	Membership of the Board
17	the Association serving in the Council shall be financial members of the	the Board
18	Association in the grades of Board fellows, Members and associate	
19	members, and shall be appointed biennially at the annual general meeting	
20	and hold office for a period of three years from the date of their appointment.	
21	(2) The President shall be the Chairman at all meetings of the	
22	Council, however, in the event of death, incapacity or inability for any	
23	reason of the President, the Deputy President shall act as Chairman for the	
24	unexpired portion of the term of office as President as the case may be and	
25	reference to the Act, the President shall be construed accordingly.	
26	(3) If the President or the Deputy President ceases to be a member	
27	of the Association, he shall cease to hold any of the offices designed under	
28	this section.	
29	(4) Membership and activities of the Council shall be on part time	
30	basis.	

	1	PART II - FINANCIAL PROVISIONS
Funds of the Institute	2	6. There is established for the Association a fund into which shall be
Institute	3	paid and credited:
	4	(a) all fees, subscriptions and other monies due to the Association;
	5	(b) Gifts, loans, grant-in-aid, testamentary dispositions, endowments,
	6	contributions from philanthropic organizations etc.
	7	(c) returns on investments made by the Association and Funds of the
	8	Association; and
	9	(d) all other assets or monies that may from time to time be accrued to
	10	the Association.
Investment of the funds of the	11	7(1) The Council may invest the funds of the Association in
Association	12	accordance with the Security and Investment Act.
	13	(2) The Association may from time to time apply the proceeds of the
	14	funds of the Association to:
	15	(a) The general administration of the Association;
	16	(b) The payment of the emoluments, fees and other entitlements of
	17	members of the council, as may be agreed by the National Executives;
	18	(c) The payment of salaries, allowances or other remunerations and
	19	benefits payable to the officers and other employees of the Association;
	20	(d) The development and maintenance of any property vested in or
	21	owned by the Association;
	22	(e) Such other activities that will promote the growth of the
	23	Association or are connected with its functions in contributing to the
	24	development of the society as corporate social responsibility of the
	25	Association; and
	26	(f) Engage in publicity, awareness and campaign on occupational
	27	safety and health in the society.
Expenditure and audited account	28	8. The Council shall keep proper accounts for the Institute in respect
of the Association	29	to each financial year and proper records in relation to such accounts, and shall
	30	cause the accounts to be audited by a firm of auditors approved by the Council

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1	and the result for the audit published within six months from the end of the	
2	financial year to which the accounts relate.	
3	PART III – APPOINTMENT AND FUNCTIONS OF THE REGISTRAR	
4	9(1) The council shall appoint a fit and proper person to be the	Appointment
5	Registrar of the Association.	and functions of the Registrar
6	(2) The Registrar shall:	
7	(a) be the Secretary to the Council;	
8	(b) Prepare and maintain in accordance with rules approved by the	
9	Council, a register of the names, addresses, qualifications and such other	
10	particulars as may be required of all persons who are entitled in accordance	
11	with the provisions of the Bill to be registered as a Occupational safety and	
12	health Association (Chartered) member who applied in the specified manner	
13	and have been so registered;	
14	(c) corrects in accordance with the Council's directive any entry in	
15	the Register which the Council directs him to correct as being in the	
16	Council's opinion an entry which was incorrectly made;	
17	(d) Cause the register to be published and put on sales to members	
18	of the public not later than two years from the date in which the Bill comes	
19	into effect and the publication must be a corrected or an updated edition	
20	which will be published every two years;	
21	(e) subject to the provisions of this section, the Association may	
22	make such other rules as may be expedient for the proper keeping of the	
23	Register and the making of entries therein; and	
24	(f) subject to the provisions of the Bill, a person who holds a	
25	qualification obtained outside Nigeria and which is acceptable to the	
26	Association shall be eligible to be registered as an Occupational safety and	
27	health Administrator (Chartered).	
28	PART IV - REGISTRATION	When a person
29	10. -(1) A person shall be deemed as a professional occupational	is deemed an Occupational
30	safety and health practitioner (herein in the Bill referred to as "Occupational	Safety and Health Professional

	1	Safety and Health Professional (chartered)" if, for consideration of					
	2	renumeration received or to be received, and whether by himself or herself in partnership with any other person.					
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	4	(2) He the approved knowledge and skills by the Council and					
	5	completes practical experience prescribed by the Association.					
	6	(3) He qualifies for enrolment as member in any categories under					
	7	subsection (a) $-(d)$ of section 3 of this Bill.					
	8	(4) He engages himself in the practice of occupational safety and					
	9	health professional.					
	10	(5) He renders professional service or assistance in or about matters of					
	11	principles or details relating to occupational safety and health profession.					
	12	(6) He renders any other service which may be rules or Bye-Laws					
	13	made by the Council and be designated as service constituting practice as a					
	14	professional Occupational safety and health practitioner.					
Approval of Training Courses	15	11. -(1) The Council may approve any institution for the purposes of					
and Qualifications	16	the Bill, and may for those purposes approve:					
	17	(a) courses of training at an approved institution which is intended					
	18	for persons who are seeking to become or are already Occupational safety and					
	19	health practitioners and which the Council considers it is designed to confer on					
	20	persons getting sufficient knowledge and skills for admission as registered					
	21	members of the Association;					
	22	(b) accredits any institution whether in Nigeria or abroad which the					
	23	Association considers is properly organized and equipped for conducting the					
	24	whole or any part of a programme of training approved by the Association; and					
	25	(c) approve any qualification which as a result of an examination					
	26	taken in conjunction with the course of training approved by the Association					
	27	under this section is granted to candidates reaching a standard at the					
	28	examination indicating in the opinion of the Association that such candidates					
	29	have sufficient knowledge and skills to practice Occupational safety and health					
	30	as a profession.					

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1	(2) (a) The Council may if it deems fit withdraw any approval	
2	given under this section in respect of any course qualification and also give a	
3	notice that it proposes to make the withdrawal;	
4	(b) give such person an opportunity of making it to the Council	
5	representation with regards to the proposal; and	
6	(c) Take into consideration any representations made in respect of	
7	the proposal.	
8	(3) Any period during which the approval of the Council under this	
9	section for a course, qualification or institution is withdrawn, the course	

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10 qualification or institution shall not be treated as approved under this section but the withdrawal of such an approval shall not prejudice the registration of 11 any person who by virtue of the approval was registered or eligible for 12 13 registration immediately before the approval was withdrawn.

14 12.-(1) It shall be the duty of the members of Council to keep them 15 informed of the nature of:

(a) the instruction given at approved institutions to persons

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attending approved courses of training; and 17 (b) The examination as a result or which approved qualifications 18 19 are granted, and for the purpose of performing that duty the Council may appoint, either from among its own members or otherwise, persons to visit 20 21 approved institutions, or attend such examinations.

(2) It shall be the duty of a visitor appointed under this section to 22 23 report to the Council on:

24 (a) the sufficiency of the instructions given to persons attending approved courses of training at institutions visited by him; 25

26 (b) the sufficiency of the examination attended by him; and

27 (c) any other matters relating to the institution or examination on which the council may, either generally or in a particular case, request him to 28 29 report but no visitor shall interfere with the report or any instruction given in 30 the course of the examination.

	1	PART V - PROFESSIONAL DISCIPLINE
Establishment	2	13. -(1) There shall be a body to be known as the Occupational safety
of Disciplinary tribunal and Investigating	3	and health Association Disciplinary Tribunal charged with the duty of
Panel	4	considering and determining any case referred to it by the Investigating Panel
	5	established under subsection (3) of this section, and any other case which the
	6	Tribunal takes cognizance under of this Bill.
	7	(2) The Tribunal shall consist of a chairman and six other members
	8	who shall be appointed by the Council from among members of the
	9	Association.
	10	(3) There shall be a body to be known as the Occupational safety and
	11	health Association investigating Panel charged with the duties of:
	12	(a) Conducting a preliminary investigation into any case where it is
	13	alleged that a member has committed an act of professional misconduct, or
	14	should for any other reason be the subject of proceedings before the Tribunals;
	15	and
	16	(b) Deciding whether the case shall be referred to the Tribunal after
	17	affording such a member an opportunity of being heard either personally or by
	18	a legal practitioner of his own choice in Nigeria.
	19	(4) The council shall appoint members of the Panel from members of
	20	the Association who are not members of the Council or the Tribunal.
	21	(5) A person shall not be appointed as a member of the Tribunal or of
	22	the panel unless such a person is a Chartered Member or Fellow of the
	23	Association.
	24	(6) The council may, from time to time, make rules consistent with
	25	this Bill as to acts, conducts or omissions which constitute professional
	26	misconduct.
Penalties for professional	27	14 (1) Where:
misconduct	28	(a) a person enrolled or registered under this Bill is adjusted by the
	29	Tribunal to be guilty of infamous conduct in any professional respect;
	30	(b) a person enrolled or registered under this Bill is convicted by any

1	court or tribunal in Nigeria or elsewhere having power to impose a term of
2	imprisonment for an offence (whether or not punishable with
3	imprisonment) which is in the opinion of the Tribunal incompatible with the
4	status of an Occupational safety and health Association professional; or
5	(c) the Tribunal is satisfied that the name of any person has been
6	fraudulently enrolled or registered, he shall be guilty of an offence and shall
7	on conviction be liable to a term of imprisonment not exceeding five years.
8	(2) The Tribunal may, if it deem fit:
9	(a) Give a directive reprimanding that person or ordering the
10	Registrar to strike his name off the relevant part of the register; or
11	(b) defer or further defer its decision as to the giving of such
12	directive under this section until a subsequent meeting of the Tribunal but:
13	(i) no decision shall be deferred under this section for periods
14	exceeding one year in the aggregate; and
15	(ii) No person shall be a member of the Tribunal for the purposes of
16	reaching a decision which has been deferred or further deferred unless he
17	was present as a member of the Tribunal when that decision was deferred.
18	(3) For the purpose of subsection (1) (b) of this section, a person
19	shall not be treated as convicted unless the conviction stands at a time when
20	no appeal or further appeal is pending or no application for extension of time
21	to appeal is brought in connection with the conviction.
22	(4) When the Tribunal gives a directive under subsection (2) of this
23	section, the Tribunal shall cause notice of the directive to be served on the
24	person to whom it relates.
25	(5) The person to whom a directive under subsection (2) of this
26	section relates may, at any time within 21 days from the date of service on
27	him of notice of the directives, appeal against the directives to the Federal
28	High court and the Tribunal may appear as respondent to the appeal and for
29	the purpose of enabling directives to be given as to the costs of the appeal
30	proceedings before the Federal High Court, the Tribunal shall be deemed to

1	be a party thereto whether or not it appeals on the hearing of the appeal.
2	(6) A directive on the Tribunal under this section shall have effect
3	where:
4	(a) no appeal under this section is brought against the directive within
5	the time limited for appeal;
6	(b) such an appeal is brought and is withdrawn or struck out for want
7	of prosecution on the withdrawal or striking out of appeal;
8	(c) Such appeal is brought and is not withdrawn or struck out, if and
9	when the appeal is dismissed, and shall not take effect except in accordance
10	with foregoing provisions of this subsection.
11	(7) A person whose name is struck off the register in pursuance of a
12	directive of the Tribunal under this section shall not be entitled to be registered
13	again except in pursuance of a direction on that behalf given by the Federal
14	High Court on the application of that person.
15	(8) A directive under this section for the striking off of a person's name
16	from the register may prohibit an application under this subsection by that
17	person until the expiration of such period from the date of the directive (and
18	where he has recently made such an application from the date of his last
19	application) as may be specified in the directive.
20	PART VI - MISCELLANEOUS
21	15. -(1) If a person for the purpose of procuring the registration of any
22	name, qualification or other matter:
23	(a) Make a statement which he believes to be false in a material
24	particular; or
25	(b) Recklessly make a statement which is false in a material particular
26	is guilty of an offence.
27	(2) If, on or after the commencement date of this Bill, a person who is
28	not a member of the Association practices or holds himself out as a member in
29	expectation of a reward or takes or uses any name, title, addition or description
30	implying that he is a member, he is guilty of an offence.

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1	(3) If the Registrar or any other person employed by or on behalf of	
2	the Institute willfully makes any falsification in any matter relating to the	
3	register, he is guilty of an offence.	
4	(4) A person guilty of an offence under this section is liable:	
5	(a) on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding N100,000;	
6	(b) on conviction or indictment to a fine not exceeding N50,000 or	
7	to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years or to both such fines and	
8	imprisonment.	
9	16. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires:	Interpretation
10	"Occupational Safety and Health" means preventing employees from being	
11	injured or contracting disease in the cause of their employment;	
12	"Council" means the council established as the governing body of the	
13	Association;	
14	"Incorporated Association" means the Occupational safety and health	
15	Association incorporated under the companies and Allied matters 2004;	
16	"Minister" means the minister charged with the responsibility of matters	
17	relating to labour, employment and productivity;	
18	"Fee" includes annual subscription;	
19	"Enrolled" means in relation to a fellow or chartered member as the case	
20	may be;	
21	"Tribunal" means the Occupational safety and health Association	
22	Disciplinary Tribunal	
23	"President" means the head of the Association administration;	
24	"Member" means Chartered member of the Association registered in any	
25	classes of membership	
26	"Association" means the Occupational Safety and Health Association.	
27	17. This Bill may be cited as the Occupational Safety and Health	Citation
28	Association (Chartered) Bill, 2020.	

1	Schedules
2	First Schedule
3	SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE COUNCIL
4	Qualification and tenure of office of members
5	1(1) Subject to the provisions of this paragraph, a member of the
6	Council shall hold office for a period of three years beginning from the date of
7	his appointment.
8	(2) Any member of this Association who ceases to be a member
9	thereof shall if he is also a member of the council, ceases to hold office on the
10	Council.
11	(3) Any appointed member of the Council who desires to resign may
12	do so by putting down in his handwriting his resignation to the President of the
13	Association.
14	(4) If for any reason there is a vacation of office by a member and-
15	(a) Such member was appointed by the Minister, the Minister shall
16	appoint another fit and proper person to replace such member; or
17	(b) If such member was appointed, the Council may, if the time
18	between the unexpired portion of the term of office and the annual general
19	meeting of the Association appears to warrant the filling of the vacancy, co-opt
20	some fit and proper persons.
21	Power of the council, etc.
22	2. The Council shall have power to do anything, which in its opinion is
23	calculated to facilitate the carrying on of the activities of the Association.
24	Orders of the Institution
25	3(1) Subject to the provision of this Bill, the council may in the name
26	of the Association make standing orders regulating the proceedings of the
27	Association, the Council or any of their committees.
28	(2) Standing orders shall provide for decisions to be taken by the
29	President of the Association or the Vice President as the case may be.
30	(3) Standing orders made for committees shall provide for

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1	committees to report back to the Council on any matter referred to it by the	
2	Council.	
3	(4) The quorum of the Council shall be 8 and the quorum of a	
4	committee of the council shall be determined by the council.	
5	Meetings of the Association	
6	4(1) The council shall convene an annual general meeting of the	
7	Association on the November every year or such other month/day as the	
8	Council may, from time to time, appoint so that if the meeting is not held	
9	within one year after the previous meeting not more than 15 months shall	
10	elapse between the respective dates of the two meetings. The President of	
11	the Association shall oversee a special meeting of the Association.	
12	(2) A special meeting of the Association may be convened by the	
13	council at any time, if less than 20 members of the Association are informed	
14	by notice in writing addressed to the Registrar of the Association setting out	
15	the objects of the proposed meetings, the chairman of the council shall	
16	oversee a special meeting of the Association.	
17	Meetings of the Council	
18	5(1) Subject to the provisions of any standing order, the Council	
19	shall meet whenever it is summoned by the President, and if the President is	
20	required to do so by notice in writing given to him/her by not less than seven	
21	other members, he shall summon a meeting of the council to be held within	
22	seven days from the day on which the notice is given.	
23	(2) At any meeting of the Council, the President or in his absence,	
24	the Vice-President in their order (first second) shall preside, but if both are	
25	absent, the members present at the meeting shall appoint one of them to	
26	preside at the meeting.	
27	(3) Where the Council desires to obtain the advice of any person on	
28	a particular matter, the council may co-opt him as a member for such period	
29	as the council deems fit, but a person who is a member by virtue of this	
30	subparagraph, shall not be entitled to vote at any meeting of the Council and	

1	shall not count towards a quorum.
2	(4) Notwithstanding anything in the foregoing provisions of this
3	paragraph, the first meeting of the council shall be summoned by the Minister
4	who may give such directions as he thinks fit as to the procedure which shall be
5	followed at the meeting.
6	Meetings of the Committees
7	6(1) The council may appoint one or more committees to carry out
8	on behalf of the Association or the Council, such function as the Council may
9	determine.
10	(2) A committee appointed under this paragraph shall consist of the
11	number of persons determined by the Council of whom not more than one-third
12	may be persons who are not members of the Council and a person other than a
13	member of the Council shall hold Office on the committee in accordance with
14	the terms of the instrument by which he is appointed.
15	(3) A decision of a committee of the Council shall be of no effect until
16	it is confirmed by the Council.
17	Miscellaneous
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10	7(1) The fixing of the common seal of the Association shall be
19	7 (1) The fixing of the common seal of the Association shall be authenticated by the signature of the President or any other member of the
19	authenticated by the signature of the President or any other member of the
19 20	authenticated by the signature of the President or any other member of the Council authorized generally or specially by the Association to act for that
19 20 21	authenticated by the signature of the President or any other member of the Council authorized generally or specially by the Association to act for that purpose.
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 19 20 21 22 23 	authenticated by the signature of the President or any other member of the Council authorized generally or specially by the Association to act for that purpose. (2) Any contract or instrument which, if made or executed by persons who are non-corporate members, would not be required to be under seal, and
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4	reason that the person is not entitled to do so.
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6	holding office on a Committee of the Council, who has a personal interest in

7 any contract or arrangement entered into or proposed to be considered by the

8 Council or a committee thereof, shall forthwith disclose his interest to the

9 President or Council, as the case may be.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to establish Occupational safety and health Association of Nigeria (Chartered) to provide for the control of its membership and to promote the practice of Occupational safety and health in Nigeria.