

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO ALTER THE CONSTITUTION OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA, 1999 (AS ALTERED) TO PROVIDE FOR UNIFORMITY IN THE RETIREMENT AGE OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS IN NIGERIA; AND TO INCREASE THE MANDATORY RETIREMENT AGE OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS TO SEVENTY-FIVE YEARS; AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon. Benjamin Okezie Kalu

[] 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 (As
2 Altered) (herein referred to as the "Principal Act") is altered as set out in this
3 Bill.

Alteration of
CFRN, 1999
(As Altered)

4 2. Section 291 of the Principal Act is altered:

Alteration of
Section 291

5 (a) in subsection (1) by:

6 (i) inserting immediately after the word "Appeal" the following
7 words "or any other superior court of record", and

8 (ii) deleting the word "seventy" and inserting the word "seventy-
9 five" instead thereof;

10 (b) by deleting subsection (2); and

11 (c) by renumbering subsections (3) and (4) as subsections (2) and
12 (3).

13 3. This Bill may be cited as the Constitution of the Federal
14 Republic of Nigeria (Alteration) Bill, 2020.

Citation

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to alter Section 291 of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (As Altered) to provide for uniformity in the retirement age of all judicial officers in Nigeria and to increase the mandatory retirement age of judicial officers to seventy-five years.