



1 consent to such attachment is first obtained from the appropriate officer in the  
2 case of money in the custody or control of a public officer or of the court in the  
3 case of money in custodia legis, as the case may be" to the expression for "the  
4 order nisi shall be deemed an order absolute."

5 (b) In subsection (2) by substituting the expression:

6 (i) In line 1 as follows; "order of notice" for the expression "order  
7 absolute and a pre-execution notice";

8 (ii) By introducing sub-paragraphs (a) and (b) in sub-section 2 as  
9 follows;

10 (a) The Attorney General must be served with the garnishee order  
11 absolute and a pre-execution notice within 14 days from the date of issuance of  
12 the court Order Absolute;

13 (b) The Attorney General shall mandate that the public officer being  
14 the judgement debtor pays the judgement creditor within 30 days of being  
15 served with the Order Absolute and the Pre-Execution Notice."

16 6. This Bill may be cited as the Sheriffs and Civil Process  
17 (Amendment) Bill, 2021.

Citation

#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Bill seeks to increase fines and mandates that the Attorney General of the Federation is served with a Pre-Execution notice to expedite the execution of garnishes order nisi involving a public officer or public institution. The Attorney General shall play an advisory role in ensuring that the public officer pays the required judgment debt within a stipulated time. The amendment also voids the previous section requiring the Attorney Generals consent after a garnishee Order nisi involving a public officer has been made by a court of competent jurisdiction.