

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO ALTER THE CONSTITUTION OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA 1999 AS AMENDED TO INCREASE THE RETIREMENT AGE OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon. Yusuf Adamu Gagdi

[] Commencement

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

- 1 1. The Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria (in this Act
2 referred to as "the principal Act") is altered as set out in this Bill. Alteration of the
Constitution of
the Federal Republic
of Nigeria
- 3 2. Section 291 of the principal Act is altered in subsection (1) and
4 (2) by substituting the entire (1) and (2) as set out below: Alteration of
Section 291
- 5 “(1) a judicial officer appointed to the Supreme Court or Court of
6 Appeal may retire when he attains the age of sixty –five years and he shall
7 cease to hold office when he attains the age of seventy five years.
- 8 (2) a judicial officer appointed to any other Court other than those
9 specified in subsection (1) of this Section may retire when he attains the age
10 of sixty –five years and he shall cease to hold office when he attains the age
11 of seventy years”.
- 12 3. This Bill may be cited as Constitution of the Federal Republic of Short title
13 Nigeria 1999 (Alteration) Bill, 2021.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to alter Section 291 of the 1999 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, to increase the retirement age of Judicial Officers.