

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE NATIONAL BUILDING CODE WITHIN THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA; PROVIDE FOR PUNISHMENT FOR NON-COMPLIANCE WITH THE CODE AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon. Solomon B. Maren

[] Commencement

BE it ENACTED by the National Assembly of the Federal Republic of Nigeria as follows:

1 1. As from the commencement of this Act the National Building
2 code shall have the force of law and shall be enforceable throughout the
3 Federal Republic of Nigeria. Enforcement of
the National
Building Code

4 2. A developer executing any building project in the Nigeria shall
5 strictly comply with the National Building Code and other relevant
6 Standards. Requirement of
the National
Building Code

7 3. Where a developer violates the provision of section 1 of this Act,
8 he commits an offence and shall be liable to imprisonment for a term not
9 more than 5 years or to a fine not less than N1,000,000 or both: and his
10 license shall be revoked. Penalty

11 The penalties specified in subsection (3) shall be without prejudice to any
12 other penalty for any other offence for which the developer may be liable to
13 under any extant law for the time being in force in the Federal Republic of
14 Nigeria.

15 Where the developer is a body corporate, the director, secretary or manager
16 shall be liable as specified in subsection (1) of this section.

17 4. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires: Interpretation

18 "Developer" means an architect, an engineer, a builder, a surveyor, or a
19 planner and includes an owner or any person representing him;

1 "Licence" means practice licence granted by a relevant professional body
2 Authorized by an Act of the National Assembly.

Citation

3 5. This Bill may be cited as the National Building Code
4 (Enforcement etc.) Bill, 2019.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

5 This Bill seeks to provide for the enforcement of the provisions of the National
6 Building Code by providing for punishment for Non - compliance with the
7 provision of the Code.

Background

8 The National Building Code, 2016, was notified by the Government of India
9 on 15th September 2016. It is a comprehensive code of practice for the
10 construction of buildings and structures.

Need for the Bill

11 The National Building Code, 2016, provides for the minimum standards for
12 the construction of buildings and structures. It is a comprehensive code of
13 practice for the construction of buildings and structures.

Objectives of the Bill

14 The Bill seeks to provide for the enforcement of the provisions of the
15 National Building Code, 2016, by providing for punishment for Non -
16 compliance with the provision of the Code.

Scope

17 The Bill shall apply to the buildings and structures which are covered by
18 the National Building Code, 2016. It shall not apply to the buildings and
19 structures which are covered by the National Building Code, 1987.

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Conclusion

26 The Bill seeks to provide for the enforcement of the provisions of the
27 National Building Code, 2016, by providing for punishment for Non -
28 compliance with the provision of the Code.