## A BILL

## **FOR**

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS 4 OF THE COASTAL AND INLAND SHIPPING (CABOTAGE) ACT, 2003, TO AMONGST OTHERS, PROVIDE FOR THE INCLUSION OF OIL RIGS UNDER THE DEFINITION OF A VESSEL AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon. Francis Ejiroghene Waive Commencement ENACTED by the National Assembly of the Federal Republic of Nigeria as follows: Amendment of 1. The Coastal and Inland Shipping (CABOTAGE) Act 2003, (in Coaster and Inland Shipping (CABOTAGE) 1 Act 2003 this Bill referred to as the "Principal Act") is amended as follows; 2 2. Section 4 of the principal Act is altered herein Amendment of Section 4 3 3. The definition of "vessel" in Section 4 of the principal Act is 4 altered by inserting the word "oil rigs" 5 "vessel" includes any description of vessel, ship, boat, , oil rigs, 6 hovercraft or craft, including air cushion vehicles and dynamically 7 supported craft, designed, used or capable of being used solely or partly for 8 marine navigation and used for the carriage on through or under water of 9 persons or property without regard to method or lack of propulsion. 10 4. This Bill may be cited as the Coastal and Inland Shipping Citation 11 (Cabotage) Act (Alteration) Bill, 2021. 12 EXPLANATORY NOTE 1 . This Bill seeks to include oil rigs as a vessel, within the meaning of a vessel under the Act, and subject to every other provisions of the Act relating to vessels.