

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO MAKE IT COMPULSORY FOR ALL SCHOOLS TO
TEACH THE NIGERIAN CONSTITUTION AS A SUBJECT IN
SCHOOLS AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon. Ali Abdullahi Ibrahim Halims

[] Commencement

NACTED by the National Assembly of the Federal Republic of
Nigeria as follows:

1 **1.** As from the commencement of this Bill all schools in Nigeria National Ethics
2 National Ethics shall include the teaching of the Nigerian Constitution in
3 their curriculum.

4 (2) It is hereby accordingly declared that it shall be the policy of
5 Government to ensure that Nigerian Constitution is taught in all schools.

6 **2.** Every School which fails or refuses to include the teaching of Offence and
7 the Nigerian Constitution in their curriculum commits an offence and is Penalties
8 liable on conviction to a fine of not less than N5,000,000.00 or may have its
9 operating license revoked.

10 (2) Where a school commits an offence under this Bill any officer
11 or agent of the school who directed, authorized, assented to or acquiesced or
12 participated in the commission of the offence is a party to and guilty of the
13 offence and is liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding N500,000 to
14 imprisonment for a term not exceeding One Month.

15 **3.** The State High Court and the High Court of the Federal Capital Jurisdiction
16 Territory shall have jurisdiction for matters under this Bill.

17 **4.** The Minister of Education may subject to the approval of the Regulation
18 President make regulation generally for the carrying out of the objectives of
19 the Bill.

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| Interpretation | 1 | 5. In this Bill: |
| | 2 | "Nigerian Constitution" means the Supreme Law of the Federal Republic of |
| | 3 | Nigeria. |
| | 4 | "President" means the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria. |
| Short title | 5 | 6. This Bill may be cited as the Nigerian Constitution Studies |
| | 6 | (Inclusion in Schools Curriculum) Bill, 2019. |

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to provide for the teaching of the Nigerian Constitution in Schools in Nigeria, so as to inculcate those values in citizens. It also makes it an offence not to include the teaching of Nigerian Constitution in all Schools.