

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE TEACHERS REGISTRATION COUNCIL OF NIGERIA ACT CAP T3 LFN 2004 TO FURTHER ENSURE THAT ONLY LICENCED OR REGISTERED AND QUALIFIED PERSONS WHO EXHIBIT THOROUGH PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT TEACH IN SCHOOLS AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon. Sulaiman Abubakar Gumi

[] Commencement

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

- 1 1. The Teachers Registration Council of Nigeria Act Cap T3 LFN
2 2004 herein referred to as "the Principal Act" is amended as set out in this
3 Bill. Amendment of
the Teacher
Registration
Council of
Nigeria Act
- 4 2. The Principal Act is amended in Section 5 subsection (1) by: Amendment of
Section 5
- 5 (1) deleting the entire paragraphs (a) and (b) and replacing the
6 deleted paragraphs with one new paragraph (a) to read:
7 "(a) to cause the register to be printed and published online for
8 unfettered public access,"
- 9 (2) renumbering the succeeding paragraph (c) to become the new
10 paragraph (b)
- 11 3. The Principal Act is amended in Section 10 by: Amendment of
Section 10
- 12 (a) inserting after the extant subsection (6) a new subsection (7) to
13 read:
14 "(7) Notwithstanding the provisions under this Section, any
15 teacher under investigation for child molestation, sexual harassment or rape
16 of a pupil, shall be suspended or interdicted in line with public service rules,
17 pending the determination of the case by a competent court of law."

Amendment of Section 11	1	4. The Principal Act is amended in lines 2 and 3 of Section 11 (2) by
	2	substituting:
	3	(i) the statement "to a fine of N1,000" with the statement "to a fine not
	4	exceeding N1,000,000"; and
	5	(ii) the words "three months imprisonment" with the words "six
	6	months imprisonment".
Amendment of Section 17	7	5. The Principal Act is amended in Section 17 subsection (5) by:
	8	(a) substituting the figure "N1,000" in paragraph (a) with the figure
	9	"N100,000"; and
	10	(b) substituting the figure "N5,000" in line 2 paragraph (b) with the
	11	figure "N500,000".
Citation	12	6. This Bill may be cited as Teachers Registration Council of Nigeria
	13	(Amendment) Bill, 2019.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend the Teachers Registration Council of Nigeria to ensure that school environments are devoid of teachers without licenses and who have moral burdens including those exhibiting unprofessional conduct such as child abuse and sexual molestation or rape, especially.