

# A BILL

## FOR

AN ACT TO ALTER THE CONSTITUTION OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA, 1999 (AS AMENDED) AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

*Sponsored by Hon. John Dyegh*

[ ] Commencement

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

- 1           **1.** The Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 as  
2 altered (in this Bill referred to as the "Constitution") is further altered as set  
3 out herein. Alteration of the  
Constitution of  
the Federal  
Republic of  
Nigeria, 1999
- 4           **2.** Section 64 of the Constitution is altered in subsection (1) by Alteration of  
Section 64(1)  
5 Inserting a new Section 64(1):  
6           "64 (1) The Senate and the House of Representatives shall stand  
7 dissolved at the expiration of a period of Six years commencing from the  
8 date of the first sitting of the House"
- 9           **3.** Section 64 of the Constitution is altered in subsection (2) by Alteration of  
Section 64(2)  
10 inserting new Section 64(2):  
11           "64 (2) If the Federation is at war in which the territory of Nigeria is  
12 physically involved and the President considers that it is not practicable to  
13 hold elections, the National Assembly may by resolution extend the period  
14 of Six years mentioned in subsection (1) of this section from time to time but  
15 not beyond a period of Six months at anyone time."
- 16           **4.** Section 105 of the Constitution is altered in subsection (1) by Alteration of  
Section 105(1)  
17 Inserting a new Section 105(1):  
18           "105 (1) A House of Assembly shall stand dissolved at the  
19 expiration of a period of Six years commencing from the date of the first  
20 sitting of the House"

Alteration of Section 105(2)	1	<b>5.</b> Section 105 of the Constitution is altered in subsection (2) by
	2	Inserting a new Section 105(2):
	3	"105 (2) If the Federation is at war in which the territory of Nigeria is
	4	physically involved and the President considers that it is not practicable to hold
	5	elections, the National Assembly may by resolution extend the period of Six
	6	years mentioned in subsection (1) of this section from time to time but not
	7	beyond a period of Six months at anyone time"
Alteration of Section 135(2)	8	<b>6.</b> Section 135 of the Constitution is altered in subsection (2) by
	9	Inserting a new Section 135(2):
	10	"135 (2) Subject to the provisions of subsection (1) of this section,
	11	constitution, the President shall vacate his office at the expiration of a single
	12	tenured period of six years commencing from the date when"
Alteration of Section 137(1)(b)	13	<b>7.</b> Section 137 of the Constitution is altered in subsection (1)(b) by
	14	inserting a new Section 137 (1)(b):
Alteration of Section 180(2)	15	<b>8.</b> Section 180 of the Constitution is altered in subsection (2) by
	16	inserts a new Section 180(2):
	17	"180 (2) Subject to the provisions of subsection (1) of this section,
	18	constitution, the Governor shall vacate his office at the expiration of a single
	19	tenured period of six years commencing from the date when"
Alteration of Section 182(1)(b)	20	<b>9.</b> Section 182 of the Constitution is altered in subsection (1)(b) by
	21	inserting a new Section 182(1)(b):
	22	"(b) he has been elected to such office at any 1 previous election; or"
Citation	23	<b>10.</b> This Bill may be cited as the Constitution of the Federal Republic
	24	of Nigeria, 1999 (Fifth Alteration) Bill, 2019.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to alter the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria (as amended).