

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE FEDERAL UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY
IPOKIA; AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon. Kolawole Lawal

[] Commencement

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

PART I - PRELIMINARY

1 1. The objectives of the University of Technology, Ipokia shall be The Objectives

2 to:

3 (a) Encourage the advancement of learning to all persons without
4 distinction of race, religion, sex or political conviction, the opportunity of
5 acquiring higher education in Nigeria;

6 (b) Develop and offer academic and professional programmes
7 leading to the award of certificates, diplomas, first degrees, post-graduate
8 diploma and other higher degrees with emphasis on planning, adaptive,
9 technical, maintenance, developmental and productive skills in the
10 engineering, scientific, and allied professional disciplines relating to
11 technology with the aim of producing socially mature men and women with
12 capability not only to understand, use and adapt existing technology in all
13 industries, but also to improve on it and develop new ones;

14 (c) Act as agents and catalysts, through post-graduate training,
15 research and innovation for the effective and economic utilization,
16 exploitation and conservation of the country's resources;

17 (d) Offer to the general population, particularly the technology
18 sector and all industries, as a form of public service, the results of training
19 and research and to foster the practical applications of these results;

20 (e) Establish appropriate relationships with other national

1 institutions involved in training research and development of technology in all
2 sectors;

3 (f) Identify the technological problems and needs of technology in the
4 country and to find solutions to them within the context of overall national
5 development;

6 (g) Consider specially, the host community or communities and state
7 as catchment areas in the conduct of its research and activities especially in the
8 admission of students in all classes of degrees;

9 (h) Provide and promote sound basic scientific training as a
10 foundation for the development of technology, taking into account indigenous
11 culture and the need to enhance national unity;

12 (i) Create, develop and implement a programme for the development
13 of the local community to enable the indigenes learn, participate and build
14 capacity in every aspect of the University life to allow for local content in
15 competence to manage and administrate the University in the future; and

16 (j) Undertake any other activities appropriate for a university of
17 Technology of the highest standard.

18 PART II - ESTABLISHMENT, CONSTITUTION AND FUNCTIONS OF THE
19 FEDERAL UNIVERSITY TECHNOLOGY, IPOKIA

20 2.-(1) There is hereby established the Federal University of
21 Technology Ipokia.

22 (2) The University referred to in sub-section (1) of this Section shall
23 be a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal, which may
24 sue or be sued in its corporate name.

25 3.-(1) the University shall consist of-

26 (a) a Chancellor;

27 (b) a Pro-Chancellor;

28 (c) a Vice-Chancellor;

29 (d) a Council;

30 (e) a Senate;

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and Objectives
of the Federal
University of
Technology,
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Constitution
and Principal
Officers of the
University

- 1 (f) a body to be known as the Congregation;
 2 (g) a body to be known as Convocation;
 3 (h) the campuses and colleges of the University
 4 (i) the schools, institutions and other teaching and research units of
 5 the University;
 6 (j) Undergraduate and postgraduate students of the University; and
 7 (k) all other persons who are members of the university in
 8 accordance with provisions of this act.

9 4.-(1) The governance of the University and the direction of its
 10 affairs shall vest in the governing Council of the University (in this Act
 11 referred to as "the Council").

Governing
 Council of the
 University

12 (2) Without prejudice to the generality of sub-section (1) of this
 13 Section, it shall be the responsibility of the Council to consider and approve
 14 the:

- 15 (a) Plan of activities of the University;
 16 (b) Programme of studies, courses, and research to be undertaken
 17 by the University;
 18 (c) Annual estimates of the University; and
 19 (d) Investment plans of the University.

20 5. The Council of the University shall consist of a Chairman and
 21 other Members to be appointed by the President-

Composition of
 the Council of
 the University

- 22 (a) The Pro-Chancellor;
 23 (b) The Vice-Chancellor;
 24 (c) The deputy Vice-Chancellor;
 25 (d) One person from the ministry responsible for education;
 26 (e) All traditional rulers of host communities;
 27 (f) Four persons appointed by the Senate from among its members;
 28 (g) Two persons appointed by the Congregation of the University
 29 from among its members;
 30 (h) Two representatives of the academic board of the University;

- 1 (i) One representative of the National Universities Commission;
- 2 (j) One person appointed by the Convocation of the University from
- 3 among its members;
- 4 (j) Two person representing the host communities appointed by the
- 5 President.

Tenure of office
of the members
of the Council

6 6.-(1) A member of the Council, other than an ex-officio member,

7 shall hold office for a term of four years and may be eligible for re-appointment

8 for another four years and no more.

9 (2) A member of the Council shall cease to be a Member under this

10 Act, where:

11 (a) Such member resigns his office by notice in writing under his

12 hand, addressed to the President through the Minister; or

13 (b) The President is satisfied that it is not in the best interest of the

14 University or of the public for such member to continue in his office and

15 notifies such member in writing to that effect.

Powers of the
University and
its exercise

16 7.-(1) For the carrying out of its objects as specified in section I of this

17 Act, the University shall have power to:

18 (a) Establish such campuses, institutes, schools extra-mural

19 departments and other teaching and research units within the University as may

20 from time to time be deemed necessary or desirable, subject to the approval of

21 National Universities Commission;

22 (b) Institute professorships, readerships or associate professorships,

23 lecture-ships, other posts and offices and make appointments thereto;

24 (c) Institute and award fellowships, scholarships, exhibitions,

25 bursaries, medals, prizes and other titles, distinctions, awards and forms of

26 assistance;

27 (d) Provide for the welfare and discipline of members of the

28 University;

29 (e) Conduct examinations and grant degrees, diplomas, certificates

30 and other distinctions to persons who have pursued a course of study approved

1 by the University and have satisfied such other requirements as the
2 University may lay down;

3 (e) Grant honorary degrees, fellowships or academic titles;

4 (f) Demand and receive from any student or any other person
5 attending the University of the purpose of instruction, such fees as the
6 University may from time determine subject to the overall directives of the
7 Ministry;

8 (g) Acquire, hold grant, charge or otherwise deal with or dispose of
9 movable and immovable property wherever situate;

10 (h) Accept gifts, legacies and donations, but without obligation to
11 accept the same for a particular purpose unless it approves the terms and
12 conditions attaching thereto;

13 (i) Enter into contracts, establish trusts, act as trustee solely or
14 jointly with any other person, and employ and act through agents;

15 (j) Erect, provide, equip and maintain libraries, laboratories,
16 lecture halls, halls of residence, refectories, sports grounds, playing fields
17 and other buildings or things necessary, suitable or convenient for any of the
18 objects of the University;

19 (k) Hold public lectures and to undertake printing, publishing and
20 book selling;

21 (l) Invest any surplus funds of the University in profit-yielding
22 ventures;

23 (m) subject to any limitations or conditions imposed by statutes,
24 invest any moneys appertaining to the University by way of endowment, not
25 being immediately required for current expenditure, in any investments, not
26 being immediately required for current expenditure in any investment or
27 securities or in the purchase or improvement of land, with power from time
28 to time, to vary any such investments to deposit any moneys for the time
29 being not invested with any bank on deposit or current account;

30 (n) Borrow, whether on interest or not and if need be upon the

1 security of any or all of the property, movable or immovable, of the University,
2 such moneys as the Council may from time to time in its discretion find
3 necessary or expedient to borrow or to guarantee any loan, advances or credit
4 facilities;

5 (o) Conduct examinations in technology for qualified teachers;

6 (p) Donate gifts for any charitable purposes;

7 (q) Recruit staff of the right caliber and determine the career structure
8 of such staff;

9 (r) Provide amenities for students' welfare and make such other
10 provision for the welfare of the staff of the University;

11 (s) Organise and mount exhibitions to foster appreciation of trends in
12 technology and the scope requirements of education;

13 (t) To do anything which it is authorized or required by this Act or by
14 statute to do;

15 (u) To do all such acts or things, whether or not incidental to the
16 foregoing powers, as may advance the objects of the University.

17 (2) subject to the provisions of this Act and of the statues and without
18 prejudice to section 7(2) of this Act, the power conferred on the University by
19 subsection (1) of the section shall be exercisable on behalf of the University by
20 the Council or by the Senate or in many other manner which may be authorized
21 by the statue.

22 (3) The power of the University to establish further campuses and
23 colleges shall be exercisable by statue and not otherwise.

Functions of
the Chancellor
and Pro-Chancellor

24 **8.-(1)** The Chancellor shall, in relation to the University, take
25 precedence before all other members of the University, and when he is present,
26 shall preside at all meetings of Convocation held for conferring degrees.

27 (2) The pro-Chancellor shall, in relation to the University, take
28 precedence before all other members of the University, except the Chancellor
29 and except the Vice-Chancellor when acting as chairman of Congregation or
30 Convocation and the Pro-Chancellor shall, when he is present, be the Chairman

1 at all meetings of the Council.

2 9.-(1) Subject to the provisions of this Act relating to the Visitor,
3 the Council shall be the government body of the University and shall be
4 charged with the general control and superintendence of the policy, finances
5 and property of the University.

Functions of the
Council and its
Finance and
General Purpose
Committee

6 (2) There shall be a committee of the Council, to be known as the
7 Finance and General Purposes Committee, which shall, subject to the
8 directions of the Council, exercise control over the property and expenditure
9 of the University and perform such other functions of the Council as the
10 Council may from time to time delegate to it.

11 (3) Provision shall be made by statute with respect to the
12 constitution of the finance and General purpose Committee.

13 (4) The Council shall ensure that proper accounts of the University
14 are kept and that the accounts of the University are audited annually by
15 annual report is published by the University together with certified copies of
16 the said accounts as audited.

17 (5) Subject to this Act and the statutes, the Council and finance and
18 General Purposes Committee may each make rules of exercising any of their
19 respective functions or of regulating their own procedure.

20 (6) rules made under subsection (5) of this section by the finance
21 and general purposes committee shall not come into force unless approved
22 by the Council; and in so far and to the extent that any rules so made by that
23 Committee conflict with any direction given by the Council, weather before
24 or after the coming into the force of the rules in question, the direction of the
25 Council shall prevail.

26 (7) there shall be paid to the members respectively of the Council,
27 the Finance and General Purposes Committee and of any other committee
28 set up by the Council, allowances in respect of traveling and other
29 reasonable expenses, at such rates as may from time to time be fixed by the
30 Minister.

1 (8) The Council shall meet as and when necessary for the
2 performance of its functions under this Act and shall meet at least three times in
3 every year.

4 (9) If requested in writing by any five members of the Council, the
5 chairman shall within 28 days after the receipt of such request call a meeting of
6 the Council.

7 (10) Any request made under sub-section (9) of this section shall
8 specify the business to be considered at the meeting and no business not so
9 specified shall be transacted at that meeting.

Composition
of the Senate
of the University

10 10.-(1) The senate of the University shall consist of:

11 (a) The Vice-Chancellor;

12 (b) The Deputy Vice-Chancellor;

13 (c) The Deans of various schools in the University;

14 (d) The Directors of various institutes in the University;

15 (e) The Professors in the University;

16 (f) The University Librarian;

17 (g) Persons holding such appointment on the staff payroll of the
18 University as may be specified by the Vice-Chancellor;

19 (h) Such lecturers, not being more than one third of the total number
20 of non-elected members, elected by the congregation of the University of
21 which at least one of whom shall come from each of the schools in the
22 University; and

23 (i) Two persons representing a variety of interests of professional
24 bodies outside the University, appointed by the Senate on the recommendation
25 of the Vice-Chancellor.

Functions of
the Senate

26 11.-(1) The Senate of the University shall perform the following
27 functions:

28 (a) Determine, organise and regulate teaching in the University;

29 (b) Admit and discipline students, where no other enactment provides

1 to the contrary the procedure for admitting and discipline of students in the
2 University;

3 (c) Promote research activities in the University;

4 (d) Establish, organize and control campus activities of the
5 University, colleges, schools, institutes and other teaching and research
6 units of the university;

7 (e) Allocate responsibilities to various branches of learning of the
8 University;

9 (f) Organise and control courses of study in the University and
10 conduct examinations based on the courses taught;

11 (g) Appoint both internal and external examiners;

12 (h) Consider and approve award of degrees, certificates, diploma
13 and such other qualifications as may be prescribed, in connection with
14 examinations conducted by the University;

15 (i) Make recommendations to the Council with respect to honorary
16 fellowship or honorary degree or the title of professor emeritus, to be
17 conferred on any qualified person by the University;

18 (j) Establish, organize and control of halls of residence under the
19 University;

20 (k) Ensure the welfare of students in the University and regulate
21 conduct;

22 (l) Recommend to the Council the grant of fellowships on
23 scholarships, prizes and similar awards within the control of the University
24 on any person approved for such awards; and

25 (m) Determine the colour and design of what shall be the academic
26 dress of the University and regulate its usage.

27 (2) The Senate shall not establish any new campus, college, school,
28 department, institute or other teaching and research units, hall of residence
29 or similar institution of the University without the approval of the Council.

30 (3) Subject to a right of appeal to the Council from a decision of the

1 Senate under this Act, the Senate may deprive any person of any degree,
2 diploma or other award of the University, which has been conferred upon him,
3 but after due enquiry, whereby he is shown to have been guilty of discreditable
4 conduct in gaining admission into the University or obtaining that award.

5 (4) The Senate shall ensure that at least one person out of the persons
6 appointed as examiners at each final or professional examination held in
7 conjunction with any course of study at the University is not a lecturer at the
8 University but is a lecturer at any other branch of learning the which the course
9 relates in other University of high repute or a person engaged in practicing the
10 profession in a reputable organization or institution.

The Visitor

11 12.-(1) the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria shall be the
12 Visitor of the University.

13 (2) the Visitor shall as often as the circumstances may require, not
14 being less than once every five years, conduct a visitation of the University or
15 appoint a visitation panel consisting of not less than five experts to carry out
16 visitation for the purposes of evaluating the academic and administrative
17 performance of the University or for such other purposes in respect of any
18 affairs of the University, which the Visitor may consider necessary.

19 (3) It shall be the duty of the bodies and persons comprising the
20 University to make available to the Visitor, and to any other person conducting
21 a visitation in pursuance of this section, such facilities and assistance as he or
22 they may reasonably require for the purposes of a visitation.

23 PART III - PRINCIPAL OFFICERS, OTHER OFFICERS AND STAFF OF
24 THE UNIVERSITY

The Chancellor

25 13.-(1) The Chancellor of the University shall be appointed by and
26 hold office at the pleasure of the President.

27 (2) The Chancellor shall, subject to the provisions of this Act, hold
28 office for a period of five years from the date of his appointment and no
29 more.

1 (i) a member of the Council, who is not a member of the Senate, as
2 chairman;

3 (ii) Two members of the Senate who are not members of the Council,
4 one of whom shall be a professor;

5 (iii) Two member of the Congregation who are not members of the
6 Council, one of whom shall be a professor, to identify and nominate for
7 consideration, suitable persons who are not likely to apply for the post on their
8 own volition but that of the national interest.

9 (5) A joint Council of Senate Selection Board shall consist of:

10 (a) The pro-Chancellor, as chairman;

11 (b) Two members of the Council, not being members of the Senate;
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13 (c) Two members of the Senate not below the rank of professors, who
14 were not members of the Search Team, shall consider the candidates and
15 persons shortlisted under sub-section (2) of this Section through evaluation of
16 their curriculum vitae and interaction, shall recommend to the Council,
17 suitable candidates from the list for further consideration.

18 (6) The Council shall select three candidates from among the
19 candidates recommended in sub-section (5) of this Section and may indicate its
20 order of preference stating the reasons, if any, forward the names to the
21 President for consideration and approval.

22 (7) The President may appoint as Vice-Chancellor one of the
23 candidates recommended to him accordance with the provisions of sub-section
24 (6) of this Section.

25 (8) The Vice-Chancellor shall hold office for a single term of five
26 years only on such terms and conditions as may be specified in his letter of
27 appointment and no more.

28 (9) The Vice-Chancellor may be removed from office by the President
29 after due consultation with the Council and the Senate, acting through the
30 Minister responsible for education.

1 16.-(1) there shall be for the university such number of Deputy Vice-Chancellors as the Council may, from time to time, deem necessary for the proper administration of each university. Deputy Vice-Chancellors

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4 (2) Where a vacancy occurs in the post of Deputy Vice-Chancellor, the Vice-Chancellor shall forward to the senate a list of two candidates for the post of Deputy Vice-Chancellor that is vacant.

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7 (3) The senate shall select for any vacant post one candidate from the list forward to it under sub-section (2) of this Section and forward his name to the Council for confirmation.

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10 (4) A Deputy Vice-Chancellor shall-

11 (a) Assist the Vice-Chancellor in the performance of his functions:

12 (b) Act in the place of the Vice-Chancellor when the post of the Vice-Chancellor is vacant or if the Vice-Chancellor is, for any reason, absent or unable to perform his functions as Vice-Chancellor; and

13 (c) Perform such other function as the Vice-Chancellor of the Council may, from time to time, assign to him.

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15 (5) A Deputy Vice-Chancellor-

16 (a) Hold office for a period of two years from the date of his appointment on such terms and conditions as may be specified in his letter of appointment; and

17 (b) May be re-appointed for another period of two years and no more.

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23 17.-(1) There shall be for the University, a Registrar, who shall be the chief administrative office of the University and shall be responsible to the Vice-Chancellor for the day-to-day administrative work of the University except as regards matter for which the Bursar is responsible in accordance with sub-section (3) of Section 18 of this Act. Appointment of the Registrar

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28 (2) The person holding the office of the registrar shall by virtue of that office be the Secretary to the Council, the Senate, the Congregation and the Convocation of the University.

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1 (3) The Registrar shall hold office for a period of five years from the
2 date of his appointment on such terms and conditions as may be specified in his
3 letter of appointment.

Appointment
of other Principal
Officers of the
University

4 18.-(1) there shall be for the University the following principal
5 officers, in addition to the Registrar:

6 (a) The Bursar; and

7 (b) The University Librarian.

8 (2) The Bursar and the University Librarian shall be appointed by the
9 Council on the recommendation of the Selection Board constituted under this
10 Act.

11 (3) The Bursar shall be the Chief Financial Officer of the University
12 and be responsible to the Vice-Chancellor for the day-to-day administration
13 and control of the financial affairs of the University.

14 (4) The University Librarian shall be responsible to the Vice-
15 Chancellor for the administration of the University library and the coordination
16 of the library services in the University and any of its campuses, colleges,
17 faculties, schools, departments, institutes and other teaching or research units
18 of the University.

19 (5) The Registrar, Bursar and Librarian shall hold office for such
20 period and on such terms as to the emoluments of their offices and otherwise as
21 may be specified in their letters of appointment.

22 (6) The scope of the responsibilities of the officers referred to in sub-
23 section (5) of this Section shall be determined by the Vice-Chancellor

Selection Board
for other
Principal Offices

24 19.-(1) there shall be, for the University, a Selection Board for the
25 appointment of principal officers, other than the Vice-Chancellor or Deputy
26 Vice-Chancellor, which shall consist of:

27 (a) The Pro-Chancellor, as Chairman;

28 (b) The Vice-Chancellor;

29 (c) Four member of the Council not being members of the senate; and

30 (d) Two member of the senate.

1 (2) Functions, procedure and other matters relating to the Selection
2 Board constituted under sub-section (1) of this Section shall be determined
3 by the Council from time to time.

4 20. The Council may employ such other persons as employees of
5 the University, as may be required to assist the Vice-Chancellor and the
6 principal officers of the University in the performance of their functions and
7 responsibilities under this Act.

Other employees
of the University

8 21.-(1) Where it appears to the Council that there are reasons to
9 believe that any staff employed by the University other than the Vice-
10 Chancellor and other principal staff, should be removed from office or
11 employment of the University on the ground of misconduct or inability to
12 perform the functions of his office, the Council shall:

Removal and
Discipline of
Staff of the
University

13 (a) Give notice to the staff, stating the reasons for either his
14 removal or discipline;

15 (b) Afford him an opportunity to make representation in person on
16 the matter to the Council; and

17 (c) Where he made representation to the Council or not less than
18 three members of the Council as may be requested within the period of one
19 month from the date of the notice, an arrangement: _____

20 (i) For a joint committee of the Council and the Senate to
21 investigate the matter may be constituted and submit report to the Council
22 on the matter;

23 (ii) The staff shall be afforded an opportunity of appearing before
24 the investigating Committee with respect to the matter, and if the Council
25 after considering the report of the investigating committee; and

26 (iii) Is satisfied that the staff in question is guilty of the offence
27 alleged, the Council may so direct his removal or being disciplined through
28 an instrument in writing signed on the directions of the Council.

29 (2) The Vice-Chancellor may, in a case of misconduct by any
30 member of staff of the University which in his opinion is prejudicial to the

1 interests of the University may suspend such member of staff and report such
2 suspension to the Council.

3 (3) The Council may for good cause, suspend or terminate the
4 appointment of any member of staff from duty.

5 (4) For the purposes of this section, "good cause" means:

6 (a) Conviction for any offence which the Council considers to be such
7 as to render the person concerned unfit for the performance of the functions of
8 his office;

9 (b) Any physical or mental incapacity, which in the opinion of the
10 Council and medical advice, considers to be such as to render the person
11 concerned unfit to continue to hold his office;

12 (c) Conduct of a scandalous or other disgraceful nature, which the
13 Council considers to be such as to render the person concerned unfit to continue
14 to hold his office;

15 (d) Conduct which the Council considers to be such as to constitute
16 failure or inability of the person concerned to perform the functions of his
17 office or to comply with the terms and conditions of his service; or

18 (e) Conduct which the Council considers to be generally of such
19 nature as to render the continued appointment or service of the person
20 concerned as prejudicial or detrimental to the interest of the University.

21 (5) Any person suspended pursuant to sub-sections (2) or (3) of this
22 section, shall be on half pay and the Council shall, before the expiration of three
23 months of such suspension, consider the case against that person and come to a
24 decision as to:

25 (a) Whether to continue such person on the suspension and is so, on
26 what terms, including the proportion of his emoluments to be paid to him;

27 (b) Whether to reinstate such person, in which case the Council shall
28 restore his full emoluments to him with effect from the date of suspension;

29 (c) Whether to terminate the appointment of such person, which in the
30 circumstance shall not be entitled to the proportion of his emoluments withheld

1 during the period of suspension; or

2 (d) Whether to take such lesser disciplinary action against the
3 person, which include the restoration of such proportion of his emoluments
4 withheld during suspension or as the Council may determine.

5 (6) Where the Council, pursuant to this Section, decides to
6 continue the person's suspension or take further disciplinary action against
7 the person, the Council shall before the expiration of three months of such
8 decision, come to a final determination of the case against the person.

9 (7) It shall be the duty of the person by whom an instrument of
10 removal is signed pursuant to this Section, to make effort to cause a copy of
11 the instrument to be served as soon as reasonably practicable on the person
12 to whom it relates.

13 (8) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, nothing in the
14 foregoing provisions shall:

15 (a) Apply to any directive given by the Visitor in consequence of
16 any visitation report; or

17 (b) Prevent the Council from making regulations for the discipline
18 of other categories of workers of the University as may be prescribed.

19 22.-(1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Pensions
20 Act, the compulsory retiring age of an academic staff of the University shall
21 be 70 years.

Retiring age of
Academic and
Non-Academic
staff of the
University

22 (2) A law or rule requiring a person to retire from the public service
23 after serving for 35 years shall not apply to both academic and non-
24 academic staff of the University.

25 23.-(1) Service in the employment of the University shall be as
26 approved service under the Pensions Reform Act, 2004 and accordingly,
27 employees of the University shall, in respect of their services be entitled to
28 pension, gratuity and other retirement benefits as are prescribed in the Act.

Application of
the Pensions
Reform Act

29 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of sub-section (1) of this
30 Section, nothing in this Bill shall prevent the appointment of a person to any

1 office on terms, which preclude the grant of a pension and gratuity in respect of
2 that office.

3 (3) For the purpose of the application of the Pensions Reform Act,
4 2004 and any power exercisable thereunder by the President or authority other
5 than the Federal Government (not being the power to make Regulations under
6 Section 32 of this Act), shall be vested in and exercisable by the University.

7 (4) Subject to sub-section (2) of this Section, the Pensions Reform
8 Act, 2004 shall in its application by virtue of sub-section (3) of this Section,
9 have effect as if the office were in the public service of the federation within the
10 meaning of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as
11 amended).

12 PART IV - FINANCIAL PROVISION

Establishment
of Fund for the
University

13 24.-(1) The University shall establish and maintain a Fund, which
14 shall be applied towards the achievement of the aims and objectives of this Act.

15 (2) There shall be paid and credited to the Fund established pursuant
16 to sub-section (1) of this Section:

17 (a) Such sums as may be provided by the Government of the
18 Federation or of a State for payment into the Fund;

19 (b) Fees charged for services rendered by the University; and

20 (c) All sums accruing to the University by way of gifts, testamentary
21 dispositions, endowments or contributions from philanthropic or
22 organizations.

Annual Estimates,
Accounts and
Audit

23 25.-(1) The University shall not later than 30th September of each
24 year, submit to the Council for approval its estimates of income and
25 expenditure for the next financial year.

26 (2) The University shall:

27 (a) Keep proper records of all accounts of its income and expenditure;

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29 (b) Prepare a statement of account in respect of each financial year.

30 (3) The University shall not later than 30th June of each financial year,

1 submit its accounts to auditors appointed from a list of qualified auditors in
2 accordance with guidelines laid down by the Auditor-General of the
3 Federation and the auditor's fees and expenses shall be paid from the Funds
4 of the University.

5 26.-(1) The University shall not later than 30th June of each Annual Report
6 financial year, submit to the Council, in respect of the preceding financial
7 year, an annual report on the activities of the University in such form as the
8 Council may direct.

9 (2) The report referred to in sub-section (1) of this Section shall
10 include-

11 (a) Information the activities of the University in that year;

12 (b) A copy of the audited accounts of the University for that year
13 together with the Auditor-General's report on the accounts of the University;
14 and

15 (c) Such other information as the Council may request.

16 (3) The Vice-Chancellor shall provide such information on the
17 affairs of the University as the Council may from time to time request.

18 27.-(1) The University may accept any gift of land, money or other Power to accept
19 property upon such terms and conditions, if any, as may be specified by the gifts
20 person or organization donating the gift.

21 (2) The University shall not accept any gift where the conditions
22 attached by the person or organization donating the gifts are inconsistent
23 with the functions and objects of the University.

24 28.-(1) The University may with the consent or in accordance with Borrowing and
25 any general authority given by the Council or appropriate authority; borrow Investment Power
26 by way of loan or overdraft from any source, any specified amount of money of the University
27 required by the University for its Obligations and functions under this Act.

28 (2) The University may, subject to the provisions of this Bill and
29 the conditions of any trust created in respect of any property, invest any of its
30 funds with the consent or general authority of the Council.

Discipline of
students

1 (3) The University may invest any of its surplus funds in such
2 securities as the Council may from time to time approve.

3 (4) For the purposes of this section, "appropriate authority" means
4 Ministry charged with the responsibility of education.

5 29.-(1) The Council may make rules providing for the Vice-
6 Chancellor to conduct enquiries into any alleged breach of discipline in the
7 University, which include lack of due diligence exhibited by any students.

8 (2) The rules shall provide for the procedure and rules of evidence to
9 be followed at enquiries under this section.

10 (3) Subject to the provisions of sub-section (1) of this Section, where
11 it is proved during enquiry that any student of the University has been found
12 guilty of any misconduct, the Vice-Chancellor may, without prejudice to any
13 other disciplinary powers conferred on him by this Bill or any regulations made
14 pursuant to this Act, direct that the:

15 (a) Student shall not, during such period as may be specified in the
16 direction, participate in such activities of the University, or make use of such
17 facilities of the University, as may be specified;

18 (b) Activities of such student shall during such period as may be
19 specified in the directions, be restricted in such manner as may be so specified;

20 (c) The student may be suspended for such period as may be specified
21 in the direction; or

22 (d) Student should be expelled from the University.

23 (4) Where there is no Vice-Chancellor or where the Vice-Chancellor
24 refuses to apply any disciplinary measures, the Council may, either directly or
25 through some other staff of the University, apply such disciplinary actions
26 specified in sub-section (3) of this Section to any student of the University that
27 is found guilty of any misconduct.

28 (5) Where a direction is given under sub-section (3), paragraphs (c) or
29 (d) of this Section in respect of any student, the student may, within 21 days
30 from the date of the letter communicating the decision to him, appeal against

1 the direction to the Council, and where such an appeal is brought, the
2 Council after making inquiry in relation to the matter, may either modify,
3 confirm or set aside the direction in such manner as the Council may deem
4 necessary.

5 (6) The fact that an appeal from a direction is brought pursuant to
6 sub-section (5) of this Section, shall not affect the operation of the direction
7 while the appeal is pending.

8 (7) The Vice-Chancellor may delegate his powers under this
9 Section to a disciplinary committee consisting of such members of the
10 University as he may nominate.

11 (8) Nothing in this Section shall be construed as preventing the
12 restriction or termination of a student's activities in the University otherwise
13 than on the ground of misconduct.

14 (9) The direction under sub-section (3) paragraph (a) of this
15 Section may be combined with a direction under sub-section (3) paragraph
16 (b) of this Section.

17 (10) In all cases of indiscipline and misconduct under this Section,
18 the decision of the Council shall be final unless it is reversed by the Minister
19 on appeal by the student.

20 30.-(1) The seal of the University shall be such as may be
21 determined by the Council and the affixing of the seal shall be signed by the
22 Chairman of the Council and the Vice-Chancellor of the University.

The seal of the
University

23 (2) Certificates issued by the University shall have the seal of the
24 University affixed and signed by the Vice-Chancellor and the Registrar of
25 the University.

26 (3) Any document purporting to be a document executed under the
27 seal of the University shall be received in evidence and shall, unless the
28 contrary is proved, shall be presumed to be so executed.

29 (4) Any contract or instrument which, if made or executed by a
30 person not being a body corporate, would not be required to be under seal

1 may be made or executed on behalf of the University by any authorized person
2 generally or specifically authorized to do so by the Council.

Limitation of
suit against the
University

3 31.-(1) Subject to the provisions of this Bill, the provisions of the
4 Public Officers Protection Bill shall apply to any suit instituted against the
5 University, an officer or employee of the University.

6 (2) No suit shall lie or be instituted in any court against the University,
7 a member of the Governing Board or any principal officer or employee of the
8 University for an action carried out in pursuance to the execution of this Bill or
9 any enactment, or of any public duty in respect of any alleged neglect or default
10 in the execution of this Bill or any other enactment or law, duty or authority,
11 unless it is commenced-

12 (a) Within three months of such act, neglect or default complained
13 thereof; or

14 (b) In the case of a continuation of damages or injury, within six
15 months after the ceasing of the act, neglect or default.

16 (3) No suit shall be commenced against the University, a member of
17 the Council or any principal officer or employee of the University before the
18 expiration of a period of one month after written notice of the intention to
19 commence such suit has been served on the University by the intending
20 plaintiff or his agent.

21 (4) The notice referred to in sub-section (3) of this Section shall
22 clearly state the cause of action, particulars of the claim, the name and place of
23 abode of the intending plaintiff and the relief sought.

Power to make
Regulations

24 32.-(1) The Council may make Regulations:

25 (a) To regulate the activities and programmes of the University, or any
26 matter connected with the University; or

27 (b) For the effective implementation of any of the provisions of this
28 Bill.

29 (2) The Council shall have power to amend Regulations made under
30 this Bill provided that the proposal for amendment shall be passed by two-

1 thirds majority of the Council members.

2 (3) All Regulations made by the Council subject to the provisions
3 of this Bill, may be published in the Official Gazette of the Government of
4 Nigeria.

5 33.-(1) All property held by or on behalf of the Colleges shall vest
6 in the University and be held by it for the purposes of the University.

Transfer of
property

7 (2) The provisions of the Second Schedule to this act shall have
8 effect with respect to matters arising from the transfer of property by this
9 section and with respect to the other matters mentioned in that Schedule.

10 34. Without prejudice to the provisions of the Land Use Act, a
11 University shall not dispose of or charge any land or an interest in any land,
12 including any land transferred to the University by this Act, except with the
13 prior written consent of the President:

Restriction on
disposal of land
belonging to the
University

14 Provided that such consent shall not be required in the case of any
15 lease or tenancy at a rent for a term not exceeding 21 years or any lease or
16 tenancy to a member of the University for residential purpose

17 35.-(1) No person shall be required to satisfy any requirements as
18 to race, ethnicity, sex, place of birth or of family origin, or religion or
19 political affiliation, as a condition of becoming or continuing to be a student
20 at the University created by this Act.

Exclusion of
discrimination
on account of
race, religion, etc.

21 (2) No person shall be subjected to any disadvantage or accorded
22 any advantage in relation to the University, by reference to any of the holder
23 of any degree of the University or of appointment or employment at the
24 University, or a member of any, of the bodies established by virtue of this
25 Act.

26 (3) Nothing in sub-section (1) of this Section shall prevent the
27 University from imposing any disability or restriction on any of the persons
28 mentioned in that sub-section, where such person wilfully refuses or fails on
29 grounds of religious belief to undertake any duty generally and uniformly
30 imposed on all such persons or any group of them, which in the opinion of

Interpretation

- 1 the University is reasonably justifiable in the national interest.
- 2 **36.-(1)** In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires:
- 3 "Campus" means any campus which may be established by the University;
- 4 "College" means any College which may be established by the University;
- 5 "Council" means the Council established pursuant to sub-section (1) of Section
- 6 4 of this Bill of the University;
- 7 "Graduate" means a person on whom a degree, other than an honorary degree,
- 8 has been conferred by each University;
- 9 "Minister" means the Minister charged with responsibility for matters relating
- 10 to education;
- 11 "Notice" means notice in writing;
- 12 "Officer" does not include the Visitor;
- 13 "Prescribed" means prescribed by statute or regulation;
- 14 "Professor" means a person designated as a professor of the University in
- 15 accordance with provisions made in that behalf by statute or by regulations;
- 16 "Regulations" means regulations and other statutory instruments made by the
- 17 Council under this Bill;
- 18 "Senate" means the Senate of the University established pursuant to paragraph
- 19 (e) of Section 3 of this Bill;
- 20 "School" means a unit of closely related academic programmes;
- 21 "Undergraduate" means a person in status pupillary at each University other
- 22 than:
- 23 (a) A graduate; and
- 24 (b) A person of such description as may be prescribed for the purpose
- 25 of the definition;
- 26 "Host community" or "Host communities" means Agosasa, Ipokia, Idiroko,
- 27 Tube, Madoga, Ita Egbe, Oniro, Ihunbo, Ilase, Ajegunle, Ijofin, Ibatofin, Koko,
- 28 Aseko, Ayetoro, Agbologun, Ifoyintedo, Igborodo,, Oke-Odan, Ajilete,
- 29 Owode, Ilobi, Erinja, Ijanna, Itoro, Iwoye, Idogo, Ilaro, Ayetoro, and Oja-
- 30 Odan, communities;

1 "University" means the Federal University of Technology, Ipokia
2 established under section 1 of this Bill.

3 37.-(1) This Bill may be cited as the University of Technology, Short title
4 Ipokia Bill, 2019.

5 SCHEDULE

6 FIRST SCHEDULE

7 (a) Federal University of Technology, Ipokia

8 SECOND SCHEDULE

9 *Proceedings of the Council and Senate's Meetings*

10 1. Subject to this Act and section 27 of the Interpretation Act (CAP
11 I23) LFN, 2004,-

12 (a) The Council and Senate may make Standing Orders to regulate
13 its proceedings or those of any of its Committees; and

14 2. The Council or the Senate shall meet whenever it is summoned
15 by the chairman and if, the chairman is required to do so by notice given to
16 him by not less than 3 other members, he shall summon a meeting of the
17 Council or of the Senate, to be held within fourteen days from the date on
18 which the notice is given.

19 3. At any meeting of the Council and Senate, the Chairman shall
20 preside but where he is absent, the members present at the meeting shall
21 appoint one of their members to preside over the meeting.

22 4. Where the Council or the Senate, desires to obtain the advice of
23 any person on a particular matter, they may co-opt such person to be
24 members for such period as it deem fit, but the person who is in attendance
25 by virtue of this paragraph shall not be entitled to vote at any meeting and
26 shall not count towards constitution of required quorum as contemplated by
27 paragraph 2.

28 5. Notwithstanding anything in the foregoing provisions of these
29 paragraphs, the first meeting of the Council and Senate shall be summoned
30 by the President.

1 6. The Council shall meet as and when necessary for the performance
2 of its functions under this Bill, but shall meet not less than three times in every
3 year.

4 7. Where not less than five members of the Council requested in
5 writing that a meeting should hold, the chairman shall within 28 days after the
6 receipt of such request, call a meeting of the Council.

7 8. Any request made under sub-section (10) of this Section, the
8 agenda of the meeting shall disclose the business to be considered at the
9 meeting and no business not so specified shall be transacted at such meeting.

10 *Constitution of Committees*

11 9. The Council or the Senate may appoint one or more Committees to
12 carry out, on its behalf, such functions as it may consider necessary.

13 10. A Committee appointed under this paragraph shall consist of such
14 number of persons as may be determined by the body constituting the
15 committee and the persons shall hold office on the Committee in accordance
16 with the terms of their appointment.

17 11. A decision of a Committee of the Council and Senate shall be of
18 no effect until it is confirmed by the constituting body.

19 Miscellaneous

20 12. The validity of any proceedings of either the Council or the Senate
21 or of a Committee shall not be adversely affected by:

22 (a) a vacancy in the membership of such body or the Committee;

23 (b) a defect in the appointment of a member of such body or the
24 Committee; or

25 (c) reason being that a person not entitled to so took part in the
26 proceedings of such body or the Committee.

27 13. Any member of the Council or of the Senate or any person
28 holding office in any Committee, who has personal interest in any contract or
29 arrangement entered into or proposed to be considered by either the Council or
30 the Senate or a Committee thereof, shall disclose his interest to the body

1 concerned and shall not vote on any question relating to the contract or
2 arrangement.

3 14. A person shall not by reason of his membership of either the
4 Council or the Senate or of any committee be treated as holding an office of
5 emolument under the University.

6 *Functions of Finance and General Purposes Committee*

7 15. Subject to the provision of this Bill relating to the Visitor, the
8 Council shall be the governing body of each University, charged with the
9 general control and superintendence of the policy, finances and property of
10 the University.

11 16. There shall be a committee of the Council to be known as the
12 Finance and General Purposes Committee, which shall subject to the
13 directions of the Council, exercise control over the property and expenditure
14 of the University and perform such other functions as may be delegated to it
15 by the Council.

16 17. Constitution of the Finance and General Purposes Committee
17 shall be carried out in compliance with the statute made by each of the
18 universities.

19 18. The Council shall ensure that proper accounts of the
20 University are kept and audited annually by an independent firm of auditors
21 approved by the Council and ensure that an annual report is published by the
22 University together with certified copies of the audited account.

23 19. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Bill
24 or any statutes made subject to this Bill, the Council and the Finance and
25 General Purposes Committee may make rules for the purpose of exercising
26 any of their respective functions under this Bill.

27 20. Rules made under sub paragraph (16) of this Paragraph by the
28 Finance and General Purposes Committee shall not come into force unless it
29 is approved by the Council.

30 21. Where any of the rules made by the Committee is in conflict

1 with any directions given by the Council, before or after the coming into force
2 of such rules, the directions of the Council shall prevail.

3 22. There shall be paid to the members of the Council, the Finance
4 and General Purposes Committee and any other committee set up by the
5 Council, such allowances in respect of travelling and other reasonable
6 expenses incurred, at such rates as may from time to time be fixed by the
7 Government.

8 *Statutory instruments made by the University*

9 23. Subject to this Bill, the Federal University of Technology, Ipokia
10 may make rules and regulations to-

11 (a) Provide with respect to the composition and constitution of any
12 authority in the University;

13 (b) Specify the powers of any authority in the University and any
14 other matter connected with the exercise of such powers confer on such
15 authority;

16 (c) Regulate the duties of any authority of the University and any
17 other matter connected with the University;

18 (d) Regulate admission, welfare, and discipline of students, where no
19 other enactment provides to the contrary;

20 (e) Determine whether any particular matter is to be treated as an
21 academic or a non-academic matter for the purposes of this Bill or Regulations
22 or other instrument made under this Bill.

23 24. Subject to section 24 (6) of this Bill, the interpretation Bill shall
24 apply in relation to any statutory instruments made under this section as it
25 applies to a subsidiary instrument within the meaning of Section 29 (1) of that,
26 Act.

27 *Mode of exercising power to make statutory instruments*

28 25. the power of the University to make stator instruments shall be
29 exercised in accordance with the provisions of Section 32 of this Bill and not
30 otherwise.

1 26. Such statutory instruments shall not become law unless it has
2 been approved at a meeting of the:

3 (a) Senate by not less than two thirds votes of the members present
4 at the meeting; and

5 (b) Council by not less than two thirds votes of the members
6 present at the meeting.

7 27. Statutory instruments may originate either from the Senate or
8 from the Council and shall be approved as required by sub paragraphs (a)
9 and (b) of Paragraph (26) by either one of those bodies before the other.

10 28. Any statutory instrument which-

11 (a) makes provision for the alteration of the composition or
12 constitution of the Council and the Senate or any other authority of the
13 University; or

14 (b) provides for the establishment of a new campus or college or for
15 the amendment or revocation of any statutory instrument whereby a campus
16 or college is established, shall not come into operation unless it has been
17 approved by the President.

18 29. For the purposes of Section 2, sub-section (2) of the
19 interpretation Act, such a statutory instruments shall be treated as being
20 made on the date on which it is duly approved by the Council after having
21 been duly approved by the Senate, or on the date on which it is duly
22 approved by the Senate after having been duly approved by the Council, as
23 the case may be or, in the case of a statute falling within sub-section (4) of
24 this section, on the date on which it is approved by the President.

25 30. The decision of the Visitor on any matter referred to him under
26 this Bill, shall be binding upon such authorities, staff and students of the
27 University.

28 31. Where any question as to the meaning of any provision of any
29 statutory instrument made subject to this Bill has been decided by the
30 Visitor, no question as to the meaning of that provision shall be entertained

1 by any court of law in Nigeria.

2 32. Nothing in this Bill shall affect any power of a court of competent
3 jurisdiction to determine whether any provision of statutory instrument is
4 wholly or partly void as being ultra vires or inconsistent with the Constitution
5 of the Federal Republic of Nigeria 1999 (as Altered).

6 *Proof of statutory instruments*

7 33. Any statutory instrument made by the University, may be proved
8 in any court by the production of a copy thereof bearing or having affixed to it a
9 certificate purporting to be signed by the Vice-Chancellor or the Secretary to
10 the Council to the effect that the copy is a true copy of such statutory instrument
11 of the University.

12 *Removal of examiners*

13 34. If, on the recommendation of the Senate, it appears to the Vice-
14 Chancellor that a person appointed as an examiner for any examination of the
15 University ought to be removed from his office or appointment, except in such
16 cases as may be prescribed, the Vice-Chancellor may, after affording the
17 examiner an opportunity of making representations in person on the matter,
18 may disengage such examiner from the University by an instrument in writing
19 signed by the Vice-Chancellor.

20 35. Subject to the provisions of statutory instrument made in pursuant
21 to Paragraph 34 of the Second Scheduled to this Bill, the Vice-Chancellor may,
22 on the recommendation of the Senate, appoint an appropriate person as
23 examiner in the place of the examiner removed under sub-section (1) of this
24 Section.

25 36. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Chancellor, on signing an
26 instrument of removal in accordance to Paragraph 34, shall cause a copy of the
27 instrument to be served as soon as reasonably practicable on the person to
28 whom it relates.

THIRD SCHEDULE

Composition of the Finance and General Purposes Committee

1. The Finance and General Purposes Committee of the Council shall consist of:

(a) The Pro-Chancellor, who shall be the chairman of the Committee at any meeting at which he is present;

(b) The Vice-Chancellor and Deputy Vice-Chancellor;

(c) Six representatives of the Council, two of whom shall be selected from among the Council's members, two members appointed by the Senate and one member appointed by the Congregation;

(d) The Permanent Secretary, Federal Ministry of Education or such member of his Ministry as may be delegated by him to represent him; and

(e) The Permanent Secretary, Federal Ministry of Science and Technology or such member of his Ministry as may be delegated by him to represent him.

2. The quorum of the Committee shall be five.

3. Subject to any directions given by the Council, the Committee may regulate its own procedure.

Composition of the Congregation of the University

4. The Congregation of the University shall consist of:

(a) The vice-Chancellor and the Deputy Vice-Chancellor;

(b) Full-time members of the academic staff;

(c) The Registrar;

(d) The Bursar;

(e) The Librarian;

(f) The Director of Works;

(g) The Director of Health Services; and

(h) Every administrative staff of the University, who holds a degree, other than an honorary degree, of any University recognised for the

1 purposes of this Bill by the Vice-Chancellor.

2 5. Subject to sub-paragraph 4 of this Paragraph, the Vice-Chancellor
3 shall be the chairman at all meetings of Congregation when he is present and in
4 his absence, any of the Deputy Vice-Chancellors present at the meeting of the
5 Congregation or may appoint for that meeting a chairman where the Vice-
6 Chancellors and Deputy Vice-Chancellors is absent.

7 6. The quorum at any meeting of the Congregation shall be one third
8 of the whole number of the total number of members or fifty members in
9 attendance.

10 7. A certificate signed by the Vice-Chancellor specifying the:

11 (a) Total number of members of the Congregation for the purpose of
12 any particular meeting or meetings of the Congregation; or

13 (b) Names of members of the Congregation during a particular
14 period, shall be conclusive evidence of that number or, as the case may be, of
15 the names of those persons.

16 8. Subject to the foregoing provisions of Paragraphs (6) and (7), the
17 Congregation may regulate its own proceeding of meeting.

18 9. Congregation shall be entitled to express by resolutions or
19 otherwise its opinion on all matters affecting the interest and welfare of the
20 University and members, shall have power to elect members of the Council in
21 addition to other functions as may be provided by this Bill or Statutory
22 instruments made subject thereto.

23 *Convocation*

24 10. Convocation shall consist of:

25 (a) The officers of the University mentioned in the First Schedule to
26 this Bill;

27 (b) All teachers within the meaning of this Bill;

28 (c) All other persons whose names are registered in accordance with
29 paragraph (2) of this article.

30 11. A person shall be entitled to have his name registered as a member

1 of Convocation if:

2 (a) He is either a graduate of the University or a person satisfying
3 such requirements as may be prescribed for the purposes of this paragraph;
4 and

5 (b) He applies for the registration of his name in the prescribed
6 manner and pays the prescribed fees.

7 12. Regulations shall provide for the establishment and
8 maintenance of a register for the purpose of Paragraph 4, may provide for the
9 payment, from time to time, of fees by persons whose names are on the
10 register and for the removal from the register of the name of any person who
11 fails to pay those fees.

12 13. The person responsible for maintaining the register shall,
13 without the payment of any fees, ensure that the names of all persons who
14 are for the time being members of the Convocation by virtue of sub-
15 paragraphs (a) or (b) of this Paragraph are entered and retained on the
16 register.

17 14. A person who reasonably claims that he is entitled to have his
18 name on the register shall be entitled on demand to inspect the register or a
19 copy of the register at the principal offices of the University at all reasonable
20 times.

21 15. The register shall, unless the contrary is proved, be sufficient
22 evidence that any person named therein is, and that any person not named
23 therein is not, a member of Convocation, but for the purpose of ascertaining
24 whether a particular person was such a member on a particular date, any
25 entries in and deletions from the register made on or after that date shall be
26 disregarded.

27 16. The quorum of Convocation shall be fifty or one third or the
28 whole number nearest to one third or the whole number of members of
29 Convocation whichever is less.

30 17. Subject to section 4 of the Bill, the Chancellor shall be

1 chairman at all meetings of Convocation when he is present, and in his absence
2 the Vice-Chancellor shall be the chairman at the meeting.

3 18. Convocation shall have such functions, in addition to the function
4 of appointing a member of the Council, as may be provided by any statutory
5 instrument of each University.

6 *Division of Schools*

7 19. Each school shall be divided into such number of branches as may
8 be prescribed.

9 *School Boards*

10 20. -(1) There shall be established in respect of each school a board of
11 studies which, subject to the provisions of this Statute, and subject to the
12 directions of the Vice-Chancellor, shall:

13 (a) Regulate the teaching and study of, and the conduct of
14 examinations connected with, the subjects assigned to the school;

15 (b) Deal with any other matter assigned to it by statute or by the Vice-
16 Chancellor or by the Senate; and

17 (c) Advise the Vice-Chancellor or the Senate on any matter referred to
18 it by the Vice-Chancellor or the Senate.

19 (2) Each school board of studies shall consist of:

20 (a) The Vice-Chancellor;

21 (b) The Dean;

22 (c) The persons severally in charge of the branches of the school;

23 (d) Such of the teachers assigned to the school and having the
24 prescribed qualifications as the board may determine; and

25 (e) Such persons, whether or not members of the University, as the
26 Board may determine with the approval of the Senate.

27 (3) The quorum of any board meeting shall be eight members or one
28 quarter, whichever is greater, of the members for the time being of the board;
29 and subject to the provisions of this Statute and to any provision made by
30 regulations in that behalf, the board may regulate its own procedure.

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Dean of the School

21.-(1) the board of each school shall, at a meeting in the last term of any academic year in which the term of office of the Dean expires, nominate one of its members, being one of the professors assigned to that teaching unit, for appointment by the Senate as Dean of the school.

(2) The person appointed under sub-paragraph (1) of Paragraph 8, shall act as Dean of the school and chairman at all meetings of the school board when he is present and shall be a member of all committees and other boards appointed by the school.

(3) The Dean shall hold office for two years and shall be eligible for re-appointment for one further period of two years. Thereafter, he shall not be eligible for re-appointment until two years have elapsed.

(4) The Dean of a school shall exercise general superintendence over the academic and administrative affairs of the school.

(5) It shall be the function of the Dean to present to Convocation for the conferment of degrees on persons who are qualified for the degrees of the University at examinations held in the branches of learning for which responsibility is allocated to that school.

(6) There shall be a committee to be known as the Committee of Deans consisting of all the Deans of the several schools and the Committee shall advise the Vice-Chancellor on all academic matters and matters referred to the University by the Senate.

(7) The Dean of school may be removed from office for good cause by the school board after a vote would have been taken at a meeting of the board, and in the event of a vacancy occurring following the removal of a Dean, an acting Dean may be appointed by the Vice-Chancellor, provided that at the next school board meeting, an election shall be held for a new Dean.

(8) In this Schedule "good cause" has the same meaning as in sub-section (3) of Section 20 of the Bill.

1 *Selection of Director of Works*

2 22.-(1) Where a vacancy occurs in the office of the Director of Works,
3 a selection board shall be constituted by the Council which shall consist of-

4 (a) The Pro-Chancellor;

5 (b) The Vice-Chancellor;

6 (c) Two members appointed by the Council, not being members of the
7 Senate; and

8 (d) The selection board, after making such inquiries as it thinks fit,
9 shall recommend a candidate to the Council for appointment to the vacant
10 office; and after considering the recommendation of the board the Council may
11 make an appointment to that office.

12 *Creation of academic posts*

13 23. Recommendations for the creation of academic posts other than
14 principal officers shall be made by the Senate to the Council through the
15 Finance and General Purposes Committee.

16 *Appointment of academic staff*

17 24.-(1) Subject to the Bill and statutes, the filling of vacancies in
18 academic posts (including newly created ones) shall be the responsibility of the
19 Senate.

20 (2) For the purpose of filling such vacancies, suitable selection boards
21 to select and make appointments on behalf of the Council shall be set up.

22 (3) For appointments to professorships, associate professorship or
23 readerships or equivalent posts, a board of selection, with power to appoint,
24 shall consist of:

25 (a) The Vice-Chancellor;

26 (b) Two members appointed by the Council;

27 (c) Four members appointed by the Senate, at least two of whom shall
28 be members of the Senate, while the other two members shall be professional
29 peers in the professional area in which an appointment is to be considered;

30 (d) Where the post is tenable at the University, the Vice-Chancellor of

1 the University;

2 (e) Where the post is within a school, institute or other teaching unit
3 of the University, the Dean of the school or the teaching unit, or the director
4 of the institute, as the case may be; and

5 (f) Such other persons, not exceeding two in number, deemed
6 capable of helping the board in assessing both the professional and academic
7 suitability of a candidate under consideration, as the Senate may from time
8 to time appoint.

9 (4) For other academic posts, a selection board, with power to
10 appoint, shall consist of:

11 (a) The Vice-Chancellor;

12 (b) Four members appointed by the Senate, at least two of whom
13 shall be members of the Senate, while the other two members shall be
14 professional peers in the professional area in which an appointment is to be
15 considered;

16 (c) Where the office is justifiable at the University, the Vice-
17 Chancellor of the University;

18 (d) Where the post is within a school, institute or other teaching
19 unit of the University, the Dean of the school or the teaching unit or the
20 director of the institute, as the case may be; and

21 (e) Such other persons, not exceeding two in number, deemed
22 capable of helping the board in assessing both the professional and academic
23 suitability of a candidate under consideration, as the Senate may from time
24 to time appoint.

25 (5) All appointments to senior library posts shall be made in the
26 same way as equivalent appointments in the academic cadre and for all such
27 posts other than that of the Librarian, the Librarian shall be a member of the
28 selection board.

29 (6) Boards of selection may interview candidates directly or
30 consider the reports of interviewing panels and shall in addition, in the case

1 of professorships, associate professorships, readerships or equivalent post,
2 consider the reports of external assessors relevant to the area in which the
3 appointment is being considered.

4 *Appointment of administrative and professional staff*

5 25.-(1) The Administrative and professional staff of the University
6 other than principal officers, shall be appointed by the Council or on its behalf
7 by the Vice-Chancellor or the Registrar in accordance with delegation of any
8 powers made by the Council in that behalf.

9 (2) In the case of administrative or professional staffs that have close
10 and important contacts with the academic staff, the Senate or its representative
11 shall participate in the selection process.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seek to give statutory backing to the Federal University of
Technology, Ipokia, Ogun State as a University established to provide special
and high level personnel needed to drive the Federal Government's Local
Content Policy in Science and Technology.