

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE NIGER-DELTA DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (ESTABLISHMENT ETC) ACT 2000 ACT NO. 6 LAWS OF THE FEDERATION OF NIGERIA (LFN) AND FOR RELATED MATTERS, 2020

Sponsored by Hon. Francis Charles Uduyok

[] Commencement

ENACTED by the National Assembly of the Federal Republic of

Nigeria as follows-

1 1. The Niger-Delta Development Commission (Establishment
2 Etc.) Act No.6 of 2000 (in this Bill referred to as the "principal Act") is
3 amended as set out below-

The Niger-Delta
Development
Commission
(Establishment
Etc.) Act No. 6
of 2000

4 2. Section 12 (1) of the Principal Act is amended by substituting
5 the phrase "and two Executive Directors" with the phrase "Executive
6 Director Project and the Executive Director Finance and Administration"
7 accordingly as follows:

Amendment of
Section 12

8 There shall be for the Commission, a Managing Director, an
9 Executive Director Project and an Executive Director Finance and
10 Administration who shall be indigenes of oil producing areas starting with
11 the member states of the Commission with the highest production quantum
12 of oil and shall rotate amongst member states in the order of production.

13 Section 12 (1a) of the Principal Act is amended by deleting
14 subsection "(1a)" and inserting a new subsection, "(1a)i" and "(1a)ii"
15 accordingly as follows:

16 1(a) i. the Executive Director Project shall have at least Master's
17 degree in Engineering or related field with relevant professional
18 certification and previous experience in a leadership role as appropriate for a
19 person required to perform the function of the office under this Act.

20 1(a) ii. the Executive Director Finance and Administration shall

1 have at least Master's degree in relevant field with relevant professional
2 certification and previous experience in a leadership role as appropriate for a
3 person required to perform the function of the office under this Act.

4 Section 12 (1b) of the Principal Act is amended by inserting
5 immediately after the word "Commission"; the phrase "and shall have any of
6 the qualifications and experience listed in a (i) and (ii) as appropriate for a
7 person required to perform the functions of the office under this Act"
8 accordingly as follows-

9 the Managing Director shall be the chief executive and accounting officer of
10 the Commission and shall have any of the qualifications and experience listed
11 in a (i) and (ii) as appropriate for a person required to perform the functions of
12 the office under this Act.

13 3. This Bill may be cited as the Niger-Delta Development
14 Commission (Amendment) Bill, 2020.

Short title

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend the Niger-Delta Development Commission (Establishment Etc) Act No.6 of 2000 making it more responsive to its purpose as established by the Federal Government and enhance its implementation and effectiveness.