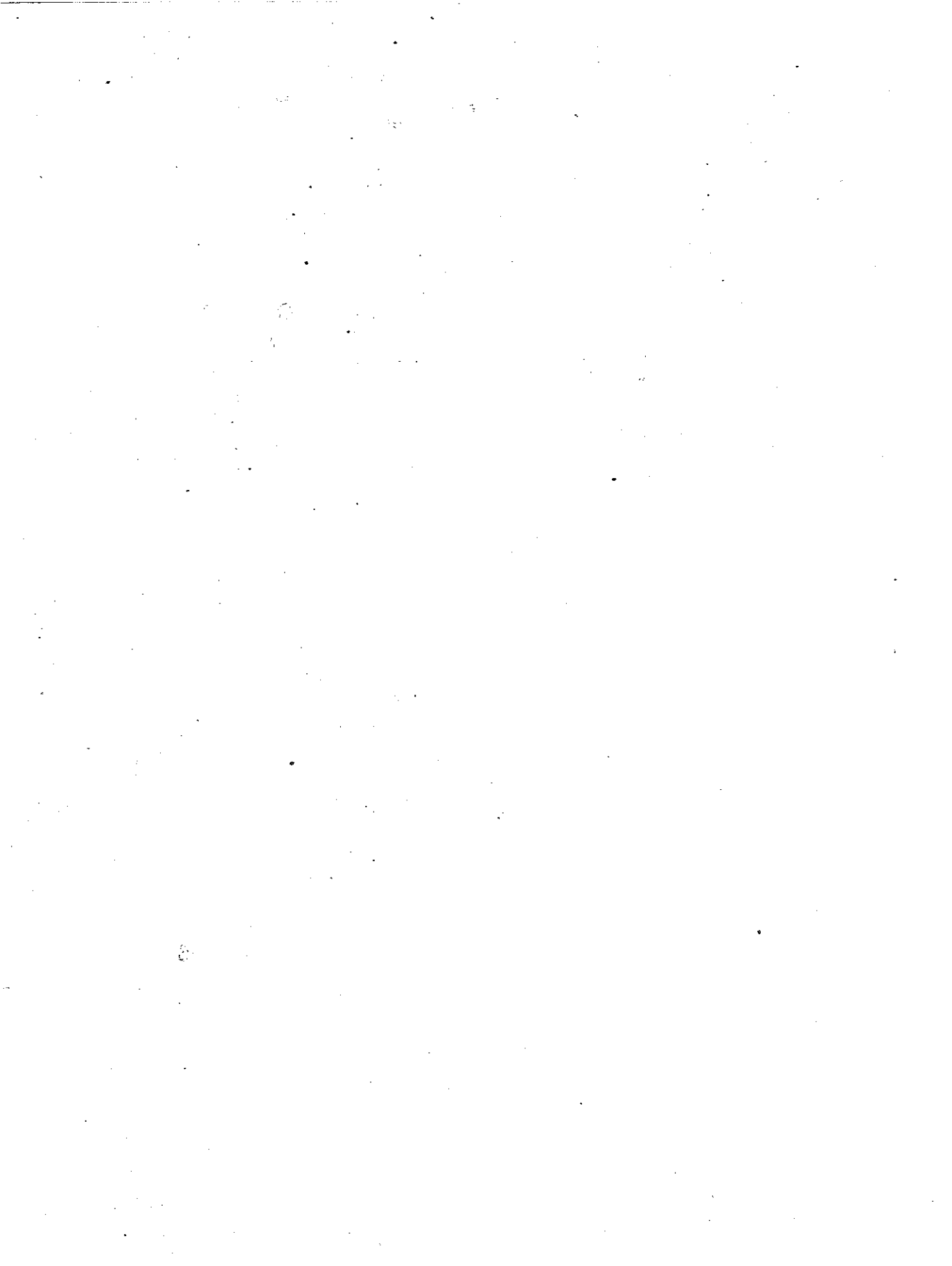


NATIONAL POPULATION COMMISSION (ENABLING) ACT
(AMENDMENT) BILL, 2019
ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

Section:

1. Amendment of the NPC Act Cap. N67 LFN 2004
2. Amendment of section 3 of the principal Act
3. Amendment of section 6 of the principal Act
4. Amendment of section 9 of the principal Act
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A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE NATIONAL POPULATION COMMISSION ACT CAP N67 LAWS OF THE FEDERATION OF NIGERIA 2004, TO SPECIFY THE TIME FOR NATIONAL POPULATION CENSUS, DEFINE THE QUALIFICATION FOR THE POSITION OF THE CHAIRMAN AND THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE COMMISSION AND TO REVIEW THE FINES IMPOSED FOR OFFENCES IN THE PRINCIPAL ACT AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon. Lawai Muhammadu Idirisu

[] Commencement

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

1 1. The provisions of the enabling Act of the National Population
2 Commission Cap. N67 LFN (herein referred to as the "Principal Act") is
3 amended as set out below: Amendment of
the NPC Act
Cap. N67 LFN
2004

4 2. The Principal Act is amended in section 3 by the insertion Amendment of
section 3 of the
Principal Act
5 immediately after subsection (2) of the following subsection:

6 "(3) The Chairman shall be a certified and seasoned statistician or
7 at least a social scientist with other relevant qualifications associated with
8 the core mandates of the commission and who has been so qualified for a
9 period of not less than 12 years."

10 3. Section 6 of the principal Act is also amended by the insertion, Amendment of
section 6 of the
Principal Act
11 immediately after subsection (1)(a) of the following subparagraph:

12 (i) National population censuses shall be conducted within the
13 minimum period of five (5) years and the maximum of ten (10) years; and

14 (ii) Subject to the provision of subsection (1) (i) above, the
15 President shall issue a proclamation stating the time lines and fund required
16 for national population census."

Amendment of section 9 of the Principal Act

1 4. Section 15 of the principal Act is further amended by the insertion
2 immediately after subsection (2) of the following:

3 "(3) Without prejudice to the provisions of this section, the Federal
4 Government shall create a special account into which shall be credited on
5 yearly basis the sum of twelve million USD from the excess crude account for
6 conduct of national population censuses."

Amendment of section 15 of the Principal Act

7 5. Section 9 of the principal Act is again amended by inserting
8 immediately after the last item in subsection (2) of the following subsection:

9 "(3) The Director General shall preferably be a certified and seasoned
10 statistician or a social scientist with other relevant qualifications connected to
11 censuses, surveys and vital registrations and who has been so qualified for a
12 period of not less than 10 years".

Amendment of section 19 of the Principal Act

13 6. Section 19 (c) of the principal Act is amended by substituting the
14 phrase "ten thousand naira" with "two hundred thousand naira".

Amendment of section 20(1) of the Principal Act

15 7. Section 20 (1) of the principal Act is further amended by
16 substituting the phrase "a fine of ten thousand naira" with "distraint and a fine
17 of two hundred thousand naira".

Amendment of section 20(2) and (3) of the Principal Act

18 8. Section 20(2) and (3) of the principal Act are each amended by
19 substituting the phrases "ten thousand naira" with the phrases "two hundred
20 thousand naira".

Amendment of section 21 of the Principal Act

21 9. Section 21 (1) and (3) are also amended by replacing the phrases
22 "five hundred naira" and "one thousand naira" with "fifty thousand naira" and
23 "hundred thousand naira" respectively.

Amendment of section 22(1) of the Principal Act

24 10. Section 22 (1) of the principal Act is also amended by replacing
25 "ten thousand naira" with "two hundred thousand naira".

Amendment of section 22(2) and (3) of the Principal Act

26 11. Section 22 (1) and (3) of the principal are each amended by
27 replacing "five hundred naira" and "one thousand naira" with "fifty thousand
28 naira" and "hundred thousand naira" respectively.

Amendment of section 23 of the Principal Act

29 12. Section 23 of the principal Act is again amended by substituting
30 "ten thousand naira" fine with "two hundred thousand Naira".

1 13. Section 24(1) subparagraph (a) and (b) of the principal Act is: Amendment of
2 amended by replacing " five hundred naira each" and two thousand naira Principal Act
3 each" with "fifty thousand naira each" and "hundred thousand naira each"
4 respectively

5 14. Section 26 of the principal Act is amended by replacing "five Amendment of
6 hundred naira" fine with "fifty thousand naira". section 26 of the
Principal Act

7 15. In this Bill unless the context otherwise requires: Interpretation
8 "Director General" means the chief accounting officer of the commission
9 established in section 9 of the principal Act;
10 "Proclamation" means presidential directive stating the time as well as the
11 fund required for national population census; and
12 "Chairman means the chairman of the National Population commission
13 appointed in section 3 of the principal Act.

14 16. This Bill may be cited as the National Population Commission Short title
15 (Enabling) Act (Amendment) Bill, 2019.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend the National Population Commission Act Cap N67 LFN 2004 to among other things provide for a definite time for national population censuses, a presidential proclamation as a demonstration of political will well ahead of national population censuses and to also provide for appointment of seasoned and certified statisticians to lead the Commission.

