

# A BILL

## FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE COMPULSORY FREE UNIVERSAL BASIC EDUCATION ACT, CAP C52 LAWS OF THE FEDERATION OF NIGERIA 2004, TO INCLUDE SENIOR SECONDARY EDUCATION AS PART OF BASIC EDUCATION IN NIGERIA AND FOR RELATED MATTERS, 2020

*Sponsored by Hon. Shina Peller*

[ ] Commencement

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

1           1. The Compulsory, Free Universal Basic Education Act, CAP C,  
2 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria 2004, (hereinafter referred to as the  
3 "principal act") is amended as set out in this Bill.

Amendment of  
Principal Act

4           2. Section 2 of the Principal Act is hereby amended by amending  
5 Subsection (1) and (2) thereof, to include Senior Secondary Education as  
6 part of free, compulsory education as under this bill and it shall read as  
7 follows

Amendment of  
Section 2 of the  
Principal Act to  
include Secondary  
Education as  
Basic Education  
in Nigeria

8           "2(1)" Every Government in Nigeria shall provide free,  
9 compulsory and universal basic education for every child from age 0-  
10 16years or up till completion of senior secondary school;

11           2(2) Every parent shall ensure that his child or ward attends and  
12 completes his:

13           (d) primary school education;

14           (e) junior secondary education,

15           (f) senior secondary education by endeavoring to send them to  
16 complete secondary education in Nigeria".

17           3. Section 9 of the Principal Act is amended by introducing a new  
18 paragraph (iv) after the existing paragraph 9(e) (iii) as follows:

Amendment of  
Section 9 of the  
Principal Act

19           "9(1)(e)(iv) ensure the teaching of Nigerian civic education and

1 Vocational trade in primary, junior secondary and senior secondary levels in  
2 Nigeria."

Citation 3 4. This Bill may be cited as the Compulsory, Free, Universal Basic  
4 Education (Amendment) Bill, 2020.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend the Compulsory Free Universal Basic Education Act, Cap C52 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria 2004, to include Senior Secondary Education as part of Basic Education in Nigeria.