

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO ALTER THE PROVISIONS OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA, 1999 TO SPECIFY THE TIME FRAME FOR THE CONDUCT OF NATIONAL POPULATION CENSUS AND FOR RELATED

Sponsored by Hon. Babajimi Benson

[] 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 (in
2 this Act referred to as "the Principal Act") is altered as set out in this Act. Alteration of the
Constitution 1999
- 3 **2.** Section 213 of the Principal Act is altered by inserting after Alteration of
Section 213
4 subsection (5), a new subsection "(6)":
5 "(6) The National Population Commission shall conduct a national
6 population census every ten years after publication by the President of a
7 population census report in the official gazette of the government of the
8 federation."
- 9 **3.** The Third Schedule of the Principal Act is altered in Part I, Item Alteration of
Paragraph 24(a),
Third Schedule,
Part 1, Item J
10 J, paragraph 24, by substituting the existing subparagraph (a) with a new
11 subparagraph "(a)":
12 "(a) undertake enumeration of the population every ten years
13 through sample surveys, censuses or otherwise;"
- 14 **4.** This Bill may be cited as the Constitution of the Federal Citation
15 Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (Fifth Alteration) Bill, 2020.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to provide for the time frame for the conduct of a population census in Nigeria by the National Population Commission.