

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE MANAGEMENT ACT CAP.
C45 LAWS OF THE FEDERATION OF NIGERIA 2004 AND FOR RELATED
MATTERS, 2020

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[] Commencement

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

- 1 **1.** The Customs and Excise Management Act Cap. C45 Laws of
2 the Federation of Nigeria 2004 (in this Bill referred to as "the Principal Act")
3 is amended as set out in this Bill. Amendment of
the Principal Act
- 4 **2** Section 8 of the Customs and Excise Management Act Cap C45
5 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria 2004 is amended by; inserting, after the
6 existing Section, the following: Amendment of
Section 8
- 7 "(a) that such powers, authorities and privileges must be exercised
8 within the land borders, wharfs, seaports and airports."
- 9 **3.** Section 145 (2) of the Customs And Excise Management Act
10 Cap C45 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria 2004 is amended by; deleting the Amendment of
Section 145 (2)

	1	words "such place as the Board appoints for the purpose" from the existing
	2	paragraph and replace same with "examination station, but within the land
	3	borders, wharfs, seaports and airports.
Amendment of Section 149	4	4. Section 149 of the Customs and Excise Management Act Cap C45
	5	Laws of the Federation of Nigeria 2004 is amended by deleting the words
	6	"vehicles and" from the Section 149 title.
Amendment of Section 149 (1)	7	5. Section 149 (1) of the Customs and Excise Management Act Cap
	8	C45 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria 2004 is amended by deleting the words
	9	"vehicle or" from the last line of Section 149 (1).
Amendment of Section 149 (2)	10	6. Section 149 (2) of the Customs and Excise Management Act Cap
	11	C45 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria 2004 is amended by deleting the words
	12	"vehicle or" from the two places they appeared in the paragraph.
Short title	13	7. This Bill may be cited as the Customs and Excise Management Act
	14	(Amendment) Bill, 2020.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend the Customs and Excise Management Act Cap. C45, to restrain Customs officials from stopping and searching vehicles (loaded with goods) on the highways. The ultimate aim is to curb the reckless extortion of money from business men by some corrupt customs officials.