

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE WATER RESOURCES ACT, CAP W2, LFN 2004 TO REVIEW UPWARD THE STIPULATED FINES AND PENALTIES FOR OFFENCES UNDER THE ACT AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon. Ossai Nicholas Ossai

[] Commencement

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

- 1 **1.** The Water Resources Act Cap W2, 2004 (in this Act referred to Amendment of
- 2 as "the Principal Act") is amended as set out in this Act. Cap. W2 LFN,
- 3 **2.** Section 18 of the Principal Act is amended in subsection (1) by Amendment of
- 4 substituting for the: Section 18 of the
- 5 (a) amounts "N2 000" and "N100" the amounts "N500 000" and Principal Act
- 6 "N100 000" respectively; and
- 7 (b) words "six months", the words "one year".
- 8 **3.** This Act may be cited as the Water Resources (Amendment) Short title
- 9 Act, 2020.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend the Water Resources Act (Cap W2, LFN 2004, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004) to among other things, review upwards the fines and penalties stipulated for offences under the Act.