

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO ALTER THE CONSTITUTION OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA CAP. C23, LAWS OF THE FEDERATION OF NIGERIA, 2004 TO MAKE THE VICE PRESIDENT AND DEPUTY GOVERNOR ACT FOR THE PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR RESPECTIVELY IN OFFICIAL FUNCTIONS AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon. Olajide Olatubosun

[] Commencement

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

1 1. The Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria Cap.C23,
2 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 (in this Act referred to as "the
3 Principal Act") is altered as set out under this bill.

Alteration of
Cap. C23, LFN
2004

4 2. Section 145 of the Principal Act is altered by inserting
5 immediately after the existing subsection (2) new subsections "(3)-(5)":

Alteration of
section 145 of the
Principal Act

6 "(3) Where the President is by any reason unavailable to perform
7 any official function, he shall delegate the Vice-President to perform such
8 official function, and in the absence of the Vice President, a relevant
9 Minister of the Government of the Federation.

10 (4) No personal Aide of the President shall perform any official
11 function of the President

12 (5) No personal Aide of the President shall participate in
13 international negotiations, be it bilateral or multilateral or other
14 international relationships involving the interest of Nigeria."

15 3. Section 190 of the Principal Act is altered by inserting
16 immediately after the existing subsection (2) new subsections "(3)-(5)":

Alteration of
section 190 of the
Principal Act

17 "(3) Where the Governor is by any reason unavailable to perform
18 any official function, he shall delegate the Deputy Governor to perform such

1 official function, and in the absence of the Deputy Governor, a relevant
2 Commissioner of the Government of the State.

3 (4) No personal Aide of the Governor shall perform any official
4 function of the Governor.

5 (5) No personal Aide of the Governor shall participate in any
6 negotiation, involving the interest of the State."

Citation

7 4. This Bill may be cited as the Constitution of the Federal Republic of
8 Nigeria 1999 (Alteration) Bill, 2020.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to alter the provisions of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria 1999, Cap. C23 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria 2004 to make the Vice President and Deputy Governor to act for the President and Governor respectively in official functions.