



THE SENATE
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

CONSTITUTION OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA, 1999
(FIFTH ALTERATION) BILL NO. 11, 2022

A BILL
FOR
AN ACT TO ALTER THE PROVISIONS OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA, 1999 TO REGULATE THE FIRST
SESSION AND INAUGURATION OF MEMBERS-ELECT OF THE
NATIONAL AND STATE HOUSES OF ASSEMBLY; AND FOR RELATED
MATTERS

FIRST READING

TUESDAY, 15TH OCTOBER, 2019

SECOND READING

TUESDAY, 15TH OCTOBER, 2019

THIRD READING AND PASSAGE

TUESDAY, 1ST MARCH, 2022

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Arrangement of Clauses

Clause

1. Alteration of the Constitution
2. Alteration of section 54
3. Alteration of section 96
4. Alteration of section 311
5. Citation

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{ } Commencement

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

1. The Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (in this Bill referred to as "the Principal Act") is altered as set out in this Bill. Alteration of the Constitution

2. Section 54 of the Principal Act is altered by inserting after subsection (1), a new subsection "(1A)" – Alteration of section 54

"(1A) For the purpose of the inaugural and first sitting of the Senate or the House of Representatives, the quorum shall be at least two-thirds of all the members-elect of either the Senate or the House of Representatives"

3. Section 96 of the Principal Act is altered by inserting after subsection (1), a new subsection "(1A)" – Alteration of section 96

"(1A) For the purpose of the inaugural and first sitting of the House, the quorum shall be at least two-thirds of all the members of the House".

4. Section 311 of the Principal Act is altered by – Alteration of section 311
 - (a) substituting for subsections (2) – (5), new subsections "(2) – (5)"-
 - "(2) The Standing Orders of the Senate in existence before its dissolution under section 64 of this Constitution shall apply in relation to the proceedings of the first session of the Senate convened by the President under section 64 of this Constitution.
 - (3) The Standing Orders of the House of Representatives before its dissolution under section 64 of this Constitution shall apply in relation to the proceedings of the first session of the House of Representatives convened by the President pursuant to his powers under this Constitution.
 - (4) The Standing Orders of the State House of Assembly before its dissolution under section 105 of the Constitution shall apply in relation to the proceedings of the first session of the State House of Assembly convened by the Governor pursuant to his powers under this Constitution.
 - (5) The Standing Orders of a legislative house before its dissolution under Section 64 or 105 of this Constitution may be modified within such a reasonable time after the inauguration and first session of the legislative house to bring them in conformity with the proceedings of the newly inaugurated legislative house": and

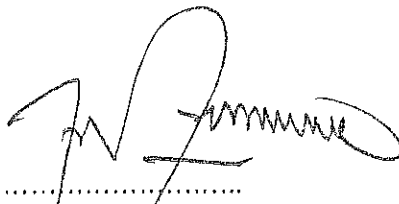
(b) deleting subsection (6).

5. This Bill may be cited as the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria (Fifth Alteration) Bill No. 11, 2022. Citation

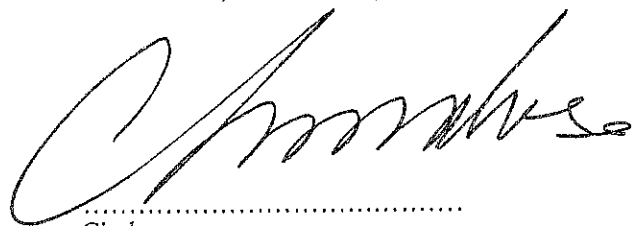
Explanatory Memorandum

This Bill seeks to alter the provisions of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 to regulate the first session and inauguration of members-elect of the National and State Houses of Assembly.

THIS BILL WAS PASSED BY THE SENATE ON TUESDAY, 1ST MARCH, 2022



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President,
Senate of the Federal Republic of Nigeria



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Clerk,
Senate of the Federal Republic of Nigeria