



THE SENATE
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

**CONSTITUTION OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF
NIGERIA, 1999
(FIFTH ALTERATION) BILL, NO. 65, 2022**

A BILL
FOR
AN ACT TO ALTER THE PROVISIONS OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA, 1999 TO REQUIRE THE
GOVERNMENT TO DIRECT ITS POLICY TOWARDS ENSURING RIGHT
TO FOOD AND FOOD SECURITY IN NIGERIA, 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 Constitution.
2. Alteration of section 16
3. Citation

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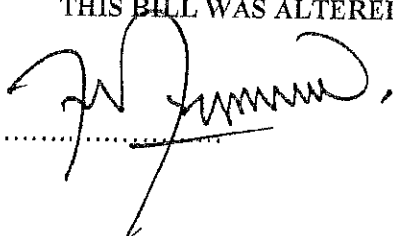
ENACTED by the National Assembly of the Federal Republic of Nigeria as follows-

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 Constitution.
2. Section 16 of the Principal Act is altered – Alteration of section 16
 - (a) in sub-section 2(d), by substituting for the words “suitable and adequate food” the words “right to food and food security”; and
 - (b) by inserting after section 16, a new section “16A” –
“Food security
16A (1) The State shall direct its policy towards ensuring that –
 - (a) strategies that guarantee food security of the nation regarding availability, accessibility, and affordability of food to the citizens are initiated, undertaken, and implemented;
 - (b) the means of production, conservation and distribution of food are upgraded and improved upon on a continuous basis; and
 - (c) adequate measures are provided to ensure that food security of the nation is not compromised by any individual, group, or institution.
(2) The State shall promote and sustain activities that enhance food security”
3. This Bill may be cited as the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria (Fifth Alteration) Bill No. 65, 2022. Citation

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

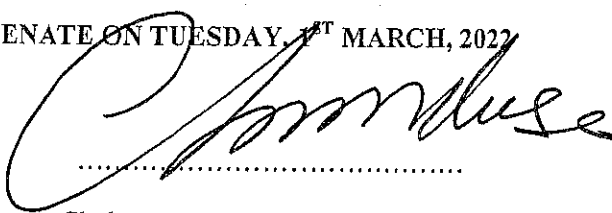
This Bill seeks to alter the provisions of the Constitution to require the Government to direct its policy towards ensuring right to food and food security in Nigeria.

THIS BILL WAS ALTERED 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