

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO ALTER THE CONSTITUTION OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA 1999, TO AMONG OTHER THINGS EMPOWER THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY TO ESTABLISH A COURT WITH SUBORDINATE JURISDICTION TO THAT OF A COURT OF APPEAL AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Senator Mohammed Sani Musa

[] Commencement

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

- 1 1. The Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria 1999 (in
2 this Bill referred to as "the Principal Act") is altered as set out in this Bill. Alteration of
the Principal Act
- 3 2. Section 6 of the Principal Act is altered by substituting the
4 existing subsection "(4)(a)" for a new subsection "(4)(a)(b)": Alteration of
Section 6
- 5 "(4) Nothing in the foregoing provisions of this section shall be
6 construed as precluding:
- 7 (a) the National Assembly from establishing courts, other than
8 those to which this section relates, with subordinate jurisdiction to that of a
9 Court of Appeal; or
- 10 (b) any House of Assembly from establishing courts, other than
11 those to which this section relates, with subordinate jurisdiction to that of a
12 High Court".
- 13 3. This Bill may be cited as Constitution of the Federal Republic of Citation
14 Nigeria 1999 (Alteration) Bill, 2021.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to alter the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999, to among other things empower the National Assembly to establish a Court with subordinate jurisdiction to that of a Court of Appeal.