

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO ALTER THE CONSTITUTION OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA 1999 CAP. C23 LAWS OF THE FEDERATION OF NIGERIA 2004 TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF STATES FROM 36 TO 37 IN FAVOUR OF SOUTH EAST GEO-POLITICAL ZONE OF NIGERIA, FOR THE PURPOSE OF BRINGING THE ZONE AT PAR WITH OTHER GEOPOLITICAL ZONES OF NIGERIA AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Senator Chukwuka Utazi

[] Commencement

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

- 1 1. The Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, Cap. C23
2 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria 2004 (in this bill referred to as "the
3 Principal Act") is altered as set out in this Bill. Alteration of
the Constitution
- 4 2. Section 3(1) of the principal Act is altered by inserting, after the
5 word "Abia", the word "Adada". Alteration of
Section 3 of the
Principal Act
- 6 3. Part I of the First Schedule to the Principal Act is amended, by
7 inserting after the first row which described "Abia State, its Local
8 Government Areas, and Capital City", a new "row and
9 Columns"- Alteration of
First Schedule
- 10 "Adada, Igbo Etiti, Igbo Eze North, Igbo Nsukka
11 Eze South, Isi Uzo, Nsukka,
12 Udenu, Uzo Uwan"
- 13 4. In this Bill-
14 "Southeast geopolitical zone" is a zone that comprises of Abia, Anambra,
15 Enugu, Ebonyi and Imo States;
- 16 5. This Bill may be cited as the Constitution of the Federal
17 Republic of Nigeria 1999 (Alteration) Bill, 2021.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to Alter the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria 1999 Cap. C23 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria 2004 to increase the number of States from 36 to 37 in favour of South East geo-political zone of Nigeria, for the purpose of bringing the zone at par with other geopolitical zones of Nigeria.