

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE PRIVATE GUARD COMPANIES ACT CAP. P30 LAWS OF THE FEDERATION OF NIGERIA, 2004 TO AMONG OTHER THINGS INCREASE THE PENALTIES THEREIN AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon. Awaji-Inombek D. Abiante

[] Commencement

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

- 1 1. The Private Guard Companies Act Cap. P30 Laws of the Amendment of
2 Federation of Nigeria (in this Bill referred to as 'the Principal Act') is hereby Private Guard
3 amended asset out in this Bill. Companies Act
- 4 2. Section 5 (3) of the Principal Act is hereby amended by Amendment of
5 increasing the fine from "N500" to "not less than "N500,000". Section 5 (3)
- 6 3. Section 32 (1) (a) and (b) of the Principal Act is hereby amended Amendment of
7 by increasing the fines imposed by this section as follows: Section 32 (1) (a)
8 In para. (a), the amount "N400" is hereby altered by substituting it and (b)
- 9 with "not less than "N500,000".
- 10 In para. (b), the amount "5,000" is hereby altered by substituting it
- 11 with "not less than "N5,000,000".
- 12 4. This Bill may be cited as Private Guard Companies Act Citation
- 13 (Amendment) Bill, 2019.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend the Private Guard Companies Act by increasing the penalties on violators of this act, thus bringing it in conformity with modern day realities.