

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO ALTER THE PROVISIONS OF SECTIONS 138 (D) AND SECTION 139 OF THE ELECTORAL ACT 2010 (AS AMENDMENT) THERE IN, 2020

Sponsored by Senator Istifanus Gyang

[] Commencement

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

- 1 **1.** The Electoral Act, 2010 (in this Bill referred to as the Principal
2 Act) is altered as set out in the Bill. Alteration of
Electoral Act
2010
- 3 **2.** Section 138 of the principal Act is hereby deleted. Alteration of
section 138 (d)
- 4 **3.** Section 139 of the principal Act is altered to add a new Alteration of
section 139
5 Subsection (3):
- 6 (3) a :
- 7 "INEC should produce and publish sample ballot papers for each
8 elective office being contested, bearing the logo of all the Political Parties
9 contesting the election"
- 10 (3) b:
- 11 "Any political party whose logo is omitted on the sample ballot
12 paper and does not call for its inclusion cannot thereafter be heard
13 complaining after the election".
- 14 **4.** This Bill may be cited as the Electoral Act, 2010 (Alteration) Citation
15 Bill, 2020.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to alter the provisions of Section 138 (d) and Section 139 of the Electoral Act, 2010 by deleting Section 138 (d) and adding a new Subsection(3) to Section 139 to reduce the exclusion of a Political Party logo to a Pre-Election Matter.