

# A BILL

## FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE NIGERIA POLICE ACT NO.2 2020, TO PROVIDE AT LEAST 15 PERCENT OF WOMEN REPRESENTATION IN THE RECRUITMENT OF POLICE OFFICERS, REQUIRE THE NIGERIA POLICE FORCE TO PROVIDE AND MAINTAIN A GENDER-RESPONSIVE COMPLIANCE PROGRAMME IN THE RECRUITMENT, TRAINING, MARITAL STATUS, POSTING AND DISCIPLINE OF POLICE OFFICERS, AND ENSURE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A UNIT TO MONITOR AND MAINTAIN RECORDS OF THE GENDER-RESPONSIVE COMPLIANCE PROGRAMME; AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

*Sponsored by Hon. Kafilat Ogbara*

[ ] Commencement

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

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| 1  | 1. The Nigeria Police Act, No.2 2020(in this Bill referred to as "the    | Amendment of     |
| 2  | Principal Act") is amended as set out in this Bill.                      | the Police Act   |
| 3  | 2. Section 9(1) of the Principal Act is amended by inserting after       | No. 2, 2020      |
| 4  | paragraph"(f)", new paragraphs "(fa)" and "(fb)"-                        | Amendment of     |
| 5  | "(fa) ensuring the provision of-   | Section 9 of the |
| 6  | (i) a gender-responsive compliance programme in the recruitment,         | Principal Act    |
| 7  | training, marital status, posting and discipline of police officers, and |                  |
| 8  | (ii) the establishment of a unit to monitor and maintain records of      |                  |
| 9  | the gender-responsive compliance programme."                             |                  |
| 10 | "(fb) ensuring at least 15 percent of women representation in the        |                  |
| 11 | recruitment of police officers."   |                  |
| 12 | 3. This Bill may be cited as the Nigeria Police Act (Amendment)          | Citation         |
| 13 | Bill, 2024.  |                  |

## EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend the Nigeria Police Act No.2 2020, to provide at least 15 percent of women representation in recruitment of police officers, require the Nigeria Police Force to provide and maintain a gender-responsive compliance programme in the recruitment, training, marital status, posting and discipline of police officers, and ensure the establishment of a unit to monitor and maintain records of the gender-responsive compliance programme.