

# A BILL

## FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CIVIL AVIATION ACT, 2022, TO PROVIDE FOR ACCESSIBILITY STANDARDS FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES AND ENHANCE NATIONAL EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PROTOCOLS FOR THE AVIATION SECTOR; AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

*Sponsored by Hon. Abubakar Hassan Nalaraba*

[ ] Commencement

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

- 1           **1.** The Civil Aviation Act, 2022 (in this Bill referred to as "the  
2   Principal Act") is amended as set out in this Bill. Amendment of  
the Civil Aviation  
Act, 2022
- 3           **2.** The Principal Act is amended by inserting immediately after  
4   section 42 subsection (3), a new subsection "(4)" paragraphs ( a) and (b)- Insertion of a  
New  
Subsection (4)
- 5                           42(4). The Authority shall-
- 6                           (a) comply with national and international accessibility standards Accessibility for  
persons with  
disability
- 7   to ensure the provision of services and infrastructure for persons with
- 8   disabilities;
- 9                           (b) monitor compliance and impose sanctions on any operator or
- 10   authority that fails to provide such access as required under this Act or any
- 11   other applicable law.
- 12           **3.** The Principal Act is amended by inserting immediately after Amendment of  
Section 62
- 13   section 62 subsection (2) a new subsection (3) paragraphs (a), (b) and (c)-
- 14                           (3) The Authority shall-
- 15                           (a) subject to section 108 of this Act, conduct national aviation
- 16   disaster simulations not less than once every two years to evaluate and
- 17   improve emergency response readiness.
- 18                           (b) establish real-time coordination protocols to ensure prompt and
- 19   effective disaster response.

1 (c) maintain updated emergency response manuals subject to periodic  
2 reviews and drills as may be directed by the Authority

Citation

3 **4.** This Bill may be cited as the Civil Aviation (Amendment) Bill,  
4 2025.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend the Civil Aviation Act, 2022, to provide for mandatory accessibility standards for persons with disabilities at all airports and among all air operators, and to strengthen emergency preparedness by mandating periodic aviation disaster simulations and inter-agency coordination protocols

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