## A BILL

## FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA 1979 AND FOR MATTERS CONNECTED THEREWITH.

## Sponsored by SENATOR AMATARI ZUOFA, Rivers III Senatorial District, Rivers State

1 BE IT ENACTED by the National Assembly of the Federal

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2 Republic of Nigeria as follows-

3 1. Section 40 of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria

4 1979 is hereby amended by *deleting* subsection (3) thereof.

5 2. This Act may be cited as the Constitution of the Federal Republic Short

6 of Nigeria (Amendment) (No. 5) Act 1982.

## EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to delete section 40(3) of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria 1979 so that the property in and control of the entire minerals, mineral oils and natural gas in Nigeria and its exclusive economic zone should not vest in the Government of the Federation, unless compulsorily acquired in accordance with section 40(1) of the Constitution.

Amendment to section 40 of Constitution.

Commence-

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Short title.