

The following Bills, which will in due course be presented to Parliament for enactment, are published for general information.

**PENSIONS (STATUTORY CORPORATIONS SERVICE) ACT**  
**EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM**

The object of this Bill is to limit the application of the Pensions (Retired and Transferred Government officers employed by Statutory Corporations) Ordinance to a period of three years from the vesting date of any Corporation so as to ensure that an officer transferring to the service of a statutory corporation is not able to obtain retiring benefits in respect of his Government service at an earlier date than he would normally be entitled to.

**SHEHU SHAGARI,**  
*Minister of Establishments*

**PENSIONS (STATUTORY CORPORATION SERVICE)**

**ARRANGEMENT OF CLAUSES**

*Clauses*

1. Short title and new mode of citation of principal Act.
2. Section 3 of principal Act amended.
3. Section 4 of principal Act amended.
4. Section 5 of principal Act amended.

# A BILL FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE FURTHER PROVISION WITH RESPECT TO THE PENSIONS OF CERTAIN PERSONS EMPLOYED BY CERTAIN STATUTORY CORPORATIONS IN NIGERIA SUBSEQUENT TO RETIREMENT, OR IN CONSEQUENCE OF TRANSFER, FROM THE PUBLIC SERVICE OF NIGERIA AND TO PROVIDE A NEW SHORT TITLE THEREFOR.

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BE IT ENACTED by the Legislature of the Federation of Nigeria in this present Parliament assembled and by the authority of the same as follows :—

Commence-  
ment.

- 5 1. This Act may be cited as the Pensions (Statutory Corporation Service) Act, 1961, and on the passing of this Act the Ordinance heretofore known by the short title of the Pensions (Retired and Transferred Government Officers employed by Statutory Corporations) Ordinance shall be known and may be cited as the Pensions (Statutory Corporation Service) Act and this Act shall be read as one with the Pensions (Statutory Corporation Service) Act (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

Short title  
and new  
mode of  
citation of  
principal  
Act.

2. Subsection (2) of section 3 of the principal Act is amended by substituting the word "Minister" for the word "Governor-General".

Section 3 of  
the principal  
Act  
amended.

3. Section 4 of the principal Act is amended,—

Section 4 of  
the principal  
Act  
amended.

- 15 (a) by renumbering the section as subsection (1) of section 4 ;  
(b) by substituting for the words "Governor-General" the words "Minister subject to the provisions of this Act" ; and  
(c) by adding a new subsection (2) as follows,—

20 "(2) Where after the passing of the Pensions (Statutory Corporation Service) Act, 1961, an officer is transferred to a scheduled corporation and at any time within three years from the establishment of the scheduled corporation leaves its service in circumstances set out in subsection (1) of this section, he shall be deemed to have retired on the date upon which he was first employed by the scheduled corporation and be eligible for a pension accordingly in those circumstances ; but otherwise nothing in this section shall apply to any such transferred officer."

4. Section 5 of the principal Act is amended by substituting the word "Minister" for the words "Governor-General".

Section 5 of  
the principal  
Act  
amended.

## DESIGNATION OF ORDINANCES

## EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

The word "Ordinance" is appropriate to legislation passed by a legislative authority which is subordinate to another. It is no longer appropriate to the sovereign legislative authority of the Parliament of the Federation, and all legislation passed by Parliament and assented to by His Excellency the Governor-General since Independence has accordingly been described as Acts of Parliament.

It is now proposed to re-name all Ordinances enacted before the date of Independence, which now have effect as "existing law", as Acts of Parliament, with reservation as to matters or things done or omitted to be done prior to that date where a question of extra-territorial application may be in issue.

Sundry subsidiary legislation and miscellaneous deeds and other legal documents are likely to be affected and provision is made for them accordingly.

T. O. ELIAS,  
*Attorney-General of the Federation  
and Minister of Justice*

## DESIGNATION OF ORDINANCES

## ARRANGEMENT OF CLAUSES

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Clause

1. Short title, etc.
2. Certain Ordinances to be Acts.

## A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO MAKE OTHER PROVISION FOR THE DESIGNATION OF ORDINANCES  
IN NIGERIA

[ ]

Commence-  
ment.

BE IT ENACTED by the Legislature of the Federation of Nigeria  
in this present Parliament assembled and by the authority of the same  
as follows :—

5 1.—(1) This Act may be cited as the Designation of Ordinances  
Act, 1961.

Short title,  
etc.

(2) This Act shall apply throughout the Federation.

10 2.—(1) Where in any Act, Ordinance, Law, regulation or order  
immediately before the passing of this Act reference is made to an  
Ordinance having force of law in respect of a matter within Federal  
legislative competence, or reference to such an Ordinance is made in any  
plan, deed, instrument or other document whatsoever, the reference  
shall, on the commencement of this Act, be read as if the relevant  
Ordinance had been passed as an Act of the Parliament of the Federation,  
and the Ordinance shall be deemed to be amended accordingly.

Certain  
Ordinances  
to be Acts.

15 (2) Nothing in this section shall be construed—

(a) to amend the Nigeria Independence Act, 1960 ; or

(b) to affect the Nigeria (Constitution) Order in Council, 1960 ;  
or

20 (c) to confer extra-territorial operation on any Act, Ordinance,  
Law, regulation, order, plan, deed, instrument or other document  
in respect of any matter or thing made or done or omitted to be  
made or done before the first day of October, 1960, being the date  
of the coming into operation of the Nigeria (Constitution) Order  
in Council, 1960.

(Bills 783)