

A LAW TO AMEND THE EDO STATE AUDIT (REPEAL) LAW, 2021 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR A FIXED TERM OF OFFICE FOR THE AUDITOR-GENERAL; PROVIDE FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF EITHER PUBLIC OR PRIVATE SECTOR INDIVIDUALS AS AUDITOR-GENERAL, AND FOR MATTERS INCIDENTAL THERETO.

| Enactment | 1. | Be it enacted by the Edo State House of Assembly and by the Authority of same as follows: |
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| Citation | 2. | This Law may be cited as the Edo State Audit (Repeal) (Amendment) Law, 2021 |
| Commencement | 3. | This Law shall come into force on the day of 2021 |
| Amendment of the Principal Law | 4. | The Edo State Audit (Repeal) Law, 2021 (in this Law referred to as "the Principal Law") is amended as set out in sections 4, 5, and 6. |
| Amendment of Section 12 | 5. | Section 12 of the Principal Law is amended by substituting provisions of subsection (1) and (2) with the |

following new provisions.

- (1) The Commission shall appoint persons to hold or act in such other Offices as may constitute the Directorates' units of the Office, based on the recommendations of the Auditor-General.
 - (2) The Audit Service Commission shall have power to:
 - (a) Confirm the selection and appointment persons recruited by the Auditor-General and other respective offices;
 - (b) Subject any staff of the Offices of the Auditor-General to disciplinary process and impose

sanctions, based on the recommendations of the Auditor-General:

- (c) Review and approve changes to the administrative structure of the Audit Offices, as recommend by the Auditor-General: and
- (d) Perform such other duties and functions as are necessary or expedient for the purpose of discharging its functions under this Law."

Amendment of Section 22

6. Section 22 of the Principal Law is amended by substituting the provisions of subsection (3) with the following new provisions:

"The Auditor-General shall be a professional accountant, selected from the public service or the private sector, with a minimum of fifteen years post-qualification, and cognate experience in accounting or auditing."

Amendment of Section 24

7. Section 24 of the Principal Law is deleted, and a new section 24 is inserted as follows:

"Tenure of Office of the Auditor-General

The Auditor-General shall hold office for four years, and may, subject to the confirmation of the House of Assembly, be re-appointed for a further four years only. The Auditor-General appointed from the Public Service will retire at the end of their fixed terms, whether one term or renewed for a maximum second term"

This printed impression has been compared by me with the law which has been passed by Edo State House of Assembly and found by me to be a true and correctly printed copy of the said law.

Governor of Edo State of Nigeria