

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF NIGERIA
FEDERAL HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

BILL NO _____

SPONSOR:

**A BILL
FOR**

AN ACT TO MAKE PROVISIONS FOR THE INTEGRATION AND INDIGENISATION OF NIGERIANS (AND FOREIGNERS) INTO THE STATES AND COMMUNITIES WHEREIN THEY RESIDE, CARRY ON BUSINESS AND/ OR ARE MARRIED IN THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

ENACTMENT	BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE SAME as follows:
SHORT TITLE	1 This Act may be cited as the National Integration (Anti-Ethnicism) Act, 2013.
INTERPRETATION	2. In this Act unless the context otherwise requires "indigene" means a Citizen of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.
STATE OF ORIGIN BY PLACE OF BIRTH	<p>3.-(1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in any Act of the National Assembly, it shall be unlawful for any person, group or authority to refer to any citizen of Nigeria as an indigene of any one State of the Federal Republic of Nigeria by reason only of the fact that either of this parents are indigenes of that one State.</p> <p>(2) A Citizen of Nigeria who is given birth to in any one State of the Federal of Nigeria is by the provisions of this Act an indigene of that one State, notwithstanding the fact that either or both of his parents are not indigenes of that one State.</p> <p>(3) A Foreign Citizen born in Nigeria by parents not being citizens of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, but being lawfully present in Nigeria or being citizens of the Federal Republic of Nigeria either by registration or naturalisation is by the provisions of this Act an indigene of the one State of Nigeria whereat he was born.</p>
STATE OF ORIGIN BY PLACE OF RESIDENCE	<p>4.-(1) A Citizen of the Federal Republic of Nigeria who is an indigene of any one State of The Federal Republic of Nigeria who settles and is resident in any other State of The Federal Republic of Nigeria for upwards of ten years and duly performs all his duties as a citizen of the Federal Republic of Nigeria in that other State for upwards of ten consecutive years shall be deemed to be and indigene of that other State.</p> <p>(2) A Citizen of the Federal Republic of Nigeria who is an indigene of any one State of the Federal Republic of Nigeria by reasons of his parents being (an) indigene(s) of that one State or in virtue of sub-section (1) of this section and who while fully or partially resident in any one State of the Federal Republic of Nigeria carries on his business in any other State of the Federal Republic of Nigeria for upwards of ten years and performs all or some of his duties as a citizen of the Federal Republic of Nigeria in that other State whereat he carries on his business for upwards of ten years shall be deemed to be an indigene of that other</p>
1 Proposed	Draft Bill by the National Association of Seadogs State in addition to his being and indigene of any one State of the Federal Republic

	of Nigeria.
STATE OF ORIGIN MARRIAGE E.T.C	<p>5.-(1) A Citizen of the Federal Republic of Nigeria who is legally married to another citizen of the Federal Republic of Nigeria indigene of a State of the Federal Republic of Nigeria other than the State where the citizen first above mentioned is an indigene shall be deemed to be an indigene of the State of his/her spouse in addition to his/her being and indigene of any one state of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.</p> <p>(2) A Citizen of the Federal Republic of Nigeria whose parents are indigenes of two different State of the Federal Republic of Nigeria shall be deemed to be an indigene of only one of those two different States unless any of the provisions of this Act applies to him.</p>
STATE OF ORIGIN, CONCURRENT	6. Nothing in this shall preclude a citizen of the Federal Republic of Nigeria or a foreign citizen who is entitled to benefit from the provisions of Section 3(3) of this Act to concurrently enjoy all the rights of an indigene of a State provided for by this Act.
STATE OF ORIGIN, SINGLE AND EXCLUSIVE	7. A Citizen of Nigeria who becomes an indigene of Any one State of Nigeria in virtue of the provision of this Act shall be deemed at any one time to be a Citizen of only one State of Nigeria.
ENFORCEMENT	8. Any person who alleges that any of the provisions of this Act has been, is being or is likely to be contravened in any State of the Federal Republic of Nigeria in relation to him may apply by the way of the Fundamental Rights, (Enforcement Procedure) Rules applicable to a High Court of that State for redress.
COMMENCEMENT	9. This Act shall come into force on the ___ day of _____,2013.