

REPORT OF THE OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON THE RECOMMITAL OF A BILL FOR AN ACT TO ENSURE FULL INTEGRATION OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES INTO THE SOCIETY AND ESTABLISH A NATIONAL COMMISSION AND VEST IT WITH RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THEIR EDUCATION, HEALTHCARE, SOCIAL, ECONOMIC AND CIVIL RIGHTS, 2018

1.0 INTRODUCTION

Following the passage of the Conference Committee report of the Bill for an Act to Ensure Full Integration of Persons with Disabilities into the Society and Establish a National Commission and Vest it with Responsibilities for their Education, Healthcare, Social, Economic and Civil Rights, 2018 by the Senate and the House of Representatives, the Legal Department having carefully studied the Bill and made the following observations

1. Under clause 38 (m), part of the functions of the Commission is to “enforce compliance with public building codes and impose necessary sanctions and make appropriate orders”

This function appears to duplicate the function of professional and regulatory bodies in the building industry. If the Commission must perform such function, then it is better to do it in collaboration with other relevant government agencies and professional bodies in the building industry (Architecture, Building, Engineering, Estate Surveying and Valuation, Quantity Surveying, Surveying and Urban and Regional Planning).

2. Clause 45(1) establishes a Fund for the Commission but does not specify the sources of the Fund which may be paid into.
3. The above observations are curable on addressing them and, therefore, require further legislative action.

2.0 MEMBERSHIP

2.1 SENATE

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| iv. | Senator Danjuma Laah | - | Member |
| v. | Senator Andy E. Uba | - | Member |
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2.2 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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- ii. Hon. Aminu Shehu Shagari - Member
- iii. Hon. Lovette Idisi - Member
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3.0 CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ACTION

The Conference Committee met with Directorate of Legal Services on Thursday, 18th October, 2018 and addresses the fundamental issues raised in the Bill.

Below are the provisions of the Bill and propose recommendations presented for Legislative action.

PROVISIONS OF THE BILL	CONFERENCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS
38(m) enforcement of compliance of public buildings codes and imposing necessary sanctions and make appropriate orders;	38 (m) in collaboration with other relevant government agencies and professional bodies in the building industry enforce compliance of public building code and imposing necessary sanctions and make appropriate orders.
Funds of the Commission 45(1) The Commission shall establish and maintain a fund herein referred to as a Fund in to which money accruable to the Commission shall be paid and from which all the activities of the Commission shall be funded. (2) The Fund of the Commission shall be disbursed accordingly to the approved formula.	Funds of the Commission 45 (1) The Commission shall establish and maintain a fund in to which shall be paid and credited – (a) all subventions and budgetary allocation from the Federal Government of Nigeria; (b) such monies as may, from time to time, be granted to the Commission by anybody or institution within or outside Nigeria; (2) The Commission shall defray all expenditures incurred by it and shall includes: (i) the cost of administration;

(3) The Council shall cause the account of the Commission to be audited quarterly and shall be externally audited once every year.	(ii) the payment of salaries, fees, or other remuneration or allowances and pensions and gratuities payable to members and employees of the Commission. (iii) anything done in connection with any of its functions. (3) Retained
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4.0 RECOMMENDATION

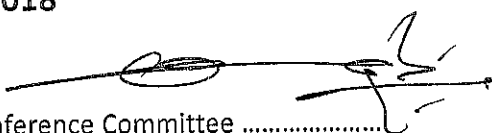
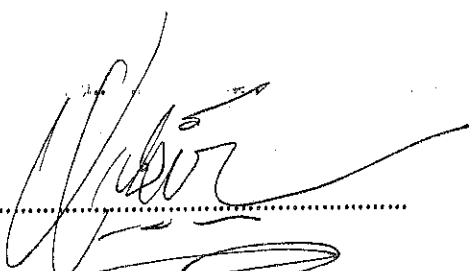
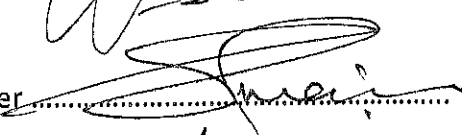
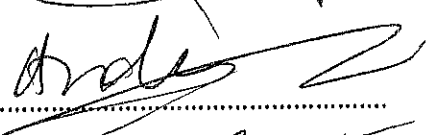
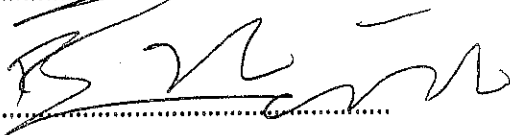
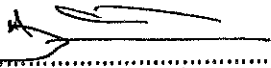
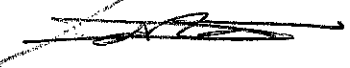
The observation made by the Directorate of Legal services on clauses 38(m) and 45(1-3) were amended and recommended for adoption by Senate.

5.0 CONCLUSION

The Conference Committee wishes to express its gratitude to the leadership of the Senate and the House of Representatives for the opportunity to serve.

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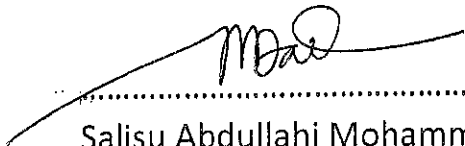
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