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DR. JULIUS MAADA BIO,
President.



No. 10



Sierra Leone

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**THE NATIONAL YOUTH COMMISSION
(AMENDMENT) ACT, 2024**

Short title.

**Being an Act to amend the National Youth Commission Act, 2009
and to provide for other related matters.**

[

] Date of commencement.

ENACTED by the President and Members of Parliament in this
present Parliament assembled.

PART I – PRELIMINARY

Amendment
of section 3
of Act No.11
2009.

1. Section 3 of the National Youth Commission Act, 2009 is amended in paragraph (b) of subsection (2) by the repeal and replacement of that paragraph with the following new paragraph-

"(b) a representative each from administrative regions of Sierra Leone, at least two (2) of whom shall be women."

Amendment
Section 4
of Act No.11
of 2009.

2. Section 4 of the National Youth Commission Act, 2009 is amended in paragraphs (c) and (d) respectively, by the repeal and replacement of those paragraphs with the following new paragraphs-

"(c) ensures that the Commission adheres to the national priorities set by the Ministry.

"(d) advise the Minister on matters relating to youth development programmes."

Amendment
of Section 6
of Act No.11
of 2009.

3. Section 6 of the National Youth Commission Act, 2009 is amended by the repeal and replacement of that section with the following new section-

**"Remunerations
of members
of Board.**

6. The non-Statutory Members of the Board and any other person co-opted by the Board under subsection (2, paragraphs (a), (b) and (c)) of section 3 shall be paid such remuneration, fees and allowances approved by the Board and shall be reimbursed by the Commission for expenses incurred in connection with the discharge of their functions."

Amendment
of Section 10
of Act No.11
of 2009.

4. Section 10 of the National Youth Commission Act, 2009 is amended by the repeal and replacement of that section with the following new section -

**"Functions
of Commission.**

10. (1) The object for which the Commission is established is to implement youth empowerment and development projects and implement policies of the Ministry."

(2) Without prejudice to the generality of subsection (1) the Commission shall-

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- (a) assist in the creation of employment opportunities for the youth and develop medium and long-term strategies to tackle youth unemployment;
 - (b) initiate youth development programmes in collaboration with relevant governmental and non-governmental bodies, coordinate and monitor the programmes;
 - (c) assist the Ministry to develop a comprehensive national youth development plan consistent with national youth policy;
 - (d) collaborate with other governmental and non-governmental bodies in the provision of youth skills training programmes and schemes;
 - (e) provide a focal point for addressing drug abuse by youths and its related problems;
 - (f) create a reliable and efficient network by which the youths may access valuable information on beneficial services and incentive-driven amenities provided by governmental and non-governmental bodies;
 - (g) coordinate the activities of youth groups and ensure that they submit a quarterly report on their activities to the Commission;
 - (h) register youth groups, in coordination with the Ministry;
 - (i) assist the Ministry to -
 - (i) establish district youth councils, chiefdom youth councils and other ancillary youth structures at all levels;
 - (ii) coordinate monthly and quarterly youth sector meetings with youth leaders, youth serving organisations and development partners at district and regional level;

(iii) conduct elections of Youth Councils and provide capacity support for them; and

(j) do such other things that will contribute to the attainment of the object of the Commission."

Amendment
of Section 17
of Act No.11
of 2009

5. Section 17 of the National Youth Commission Act, 2009 is amended by the repeal and replacement of that section with the following new section -

17. (1) The Minister shall, subject to this Act, be responsible for -

- (a) the formulation and implementation of the national youth policy;
- (b) the effective and efficient implementation of this Act;
- (c) establishment and maintenance of an effective, efficient and sustainable regulatory structure and operational capacity of the Commission; and
- (d) the approval of the annual work plan of the Commission"

Passed in Parliament this 8th day of August, in the year of our Lord two thousand and Twenty Four.

PARAN UMAR TARAWALLY,

Clerk of Parliament.

THIS PRINTED IMPRESSION has been carefully compared by me with the Bill which has passed Parliament and found by me to be a true and correct printed copy of the said Bill.

PARAN UMAR TARAWALLY,

Clerk of Parliament.