

A LAW TO ESTABLISH THE STATE STATISTICAL SYSTEM AND STATE BUREAU OF STATISTICS FOR THE COLLECTION, COMPILATION, ANALYSIS, STORAGE AND DISSEMINATION OF STATISTICAL DATA, INFORMATION AND OTHER MATTERS CONNECTED THEREWITH.

BEITENACTED by the State of Osun House of Assembly in this Legislative Session convened as follows:

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- This Law may be cited as the State of Osun Statistical Law, 2019.
- Citation.

2. (1) There is hereby established
the State of Osun Statistical
System (referred to in this Law
as "The State Statistical
System")

Establishment of State Statistical System

- (2) The State Statistical System shall comprise four main elements, namely:
  - (a) the producers of statistics, including the State Bureau of Statistics as the coordinating agency of the system, line

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## ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

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Ministries, Budget, Planning, Research and Statistics at Local Government Areas and public agencies;

- (b) data users, including key users such as policy and decision makers;
- (c) data suppliers, including establishments and households; and
- (d) research and training institutions, higher education institutions including Universities.

- The objectives and functions of the State Statistical System shall be to:
  - raise public awareness about the importance and role of statistical information to the society.
  - (b) collect, process, analyze and disseminate quality statistical data and information in a coordinated and timely manner.
  - (c) promote the use of best practices and international standards in statistical production, management and dissemination.

Objectives and Functions of the State Statistical System.

- (d) promote the use of statistical data and information at individual, Local Government Areas, State, Institutional, national and International levels, especially for evidence based policy design and decision making; and
- (e) build sustainable capacity for the production and use of statistical data and information in the State for planning purposes.
- The coordination of the State Statistical System shall be entrusted to:

 the Board of Directors of the State Bureau of Statistics Coordination of the State Statistical System. established under section 8, which shall take policy decisions on and monitor the coordination of the system;

- (2) the State Statistician General of the Bureau appointed under section 12; and
- (3) the State Consultative Committee on Statistics established under section 16.
- The statistics produced by the Bureau, line Ministries and public authorities, Budget, Planning, Research and Statistics of LGAs shall constitute Official Statistics.

Official Statistics. 6. (1) There is hereby established the State Bureau of Statistics (hereinafter referred to as "the Bureau") as an autonomous Public authority which shall be responsible to the State Governor.

Establishment of the Bureau

- (2) The Bureau shall be a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal and may sue and be sued in its corporate name.
- (3) In order to protect and enhance the integrity and impartiality of official statistics, the Bureau will exercise professional independence in so far as it

agrees with the National Bureau of Statistics in the manner it collects, processes, analyses, reports and disseminates statistical information.

- (4) The Bureau shall be made up of:-
  - (a) such structures as shall be established by the Board; and
  - (b) such persons as shall be recruited by the Board.
- (5) The budget of the bureau shall be separately provided for in the State Budget.

- The Bureau shall be the main State
  Agency responsible for the
  development and management of
  official statistics. It shall be the
  authoritative source and custodian
  of official statistics in the State.
  Specifically, the Bureau shall be
  responsible for:
  - co-ordination of the State
     Statistical System;
  - (2) advising the State and Local Government Areas on all matters related to development;
  - (3) developing and promoting the use of statistical standards and appropriate methodologies in the State Statistical System;

Objectives and Functions of the Bureau.

- (4) collecting, compiling, analyzing, interpreting, publishing and disseminating statistical information alone or in collaboration with other agencies, both government and non-governmental;
- (5) developing and maintaining a comprehensive State Data Bank by encouraging Budget, Planning, Research and Statistics Departments/Units in line Ministries and Agencies develop their Secretariat Data Bank and forward same to the Bureau;
- (6) developing and maintaining a comprehensive social statistical system;

- (7) providing a focal point of content with other agencies on statistical matter; and
- (8) carry out all other functions relating to statistics as the State Government may assign to it.
- There shall be a Board of Directors (the Board) as the governing body of the Bureau.

Establishment of the Board of Directors.

9. (1) The Board shall be responsible for ensuring that the Bureau fulfill its mission and that the profile of the Bureau is commensurate with its role in state development.

The specific functions of the Board shall be to:

Functions of the Board.

- (a) advise the State
  Government on the
  State Statistics
  Policies, procedures,
  methods, and
  regulations relating to
  the development of
  statistics;
- (b) formulate and monitor the implementation of policies for more effective coordination of the State's Statistical System;
- (c) monitoring the technical quality of official statistics and promoting adherence to good

practices and international recommendations and standards;

- (d) formulate and monitor the implementation of policies pertaining to the organization management of the Bureau;
- (e) Promote and protect the integrity of official statistics and the professional independence of statistical agencies;
- (f) appoint, promote and discipline senior staff of

the Bureau except the State Statistician General.

- (g) set guidelines for the recruitment, discipline and promotion of junior staff of the Bureau;
- (h) provide the State
  Governor with a Quarterly
  Progress Report of
  activities of the Bureau
  and the entire State
  Statistical System
  every quarter;
- the Bureau as necessary; and

- (k) Approve the corporate plans, work plans and budgets of the Bureau.
- 10. (1) The Board shall have eleven members appointed by the Governor on such terms as he shall determine. The members shall be appointed from among outstanding experts in statistics, be conversant with information technology, economics and related fields.
  - (2) The Board shall comprise the

following members:

(a) non-executiveChairperson;

Composition of the Board and Tenure of Office.

- (b) the State Statistician
  General of the Bureau,
  who will also be the
  Secretary of the Board;
- (c) a representative of the Ministry of Finance;
- (d) a representative of the Office of Budget and Economic Planning;
- (e) a representative of the Ministry of Health;
- (f) a representative of the Central Bank in the State;
- (g) president, State Chapter of

- Manufacturers Association of Nigeria;
- (h) president, State Chapter of Nigeria Statistical Association;
- (i) a representative of the Ministry of Agriculture.
- (j) a representative of the Ministry of Education;
- (k) a representative of tertiary/ research and training institutions; and
- (I) a representative of the Ministry of Local Government and Chieftaincy Affairs.

- (3) Every appointment to the Board shall be by name and by notice in the Gazette and shall, except for that of the State Statistician General be for a period of four years with a possible extension of one term.
- (4) A member of the Board shall be entitled to a sitting allowance to be determined by the appointing authority.
- (5) An appointment of a member of the Board shall cease if he/she:
  - (a) serves the appointing authority with written notice of his/her resignation; or

- (b) is unable to perform the functions of office by reason of infirmity of body or mind; or
- (c) convicted of a criminal offence; or
- (d) is incapacitated by prolonged physical or mental illness from performing his/her duties as a member of the Board; or
- (e) conducts himself/
  herself in a manner
  deemed by the
  appointing authority to
  be inconsistent with the
  membership of the
  Board; or

- (f) is, in the opinion of other members of the Board, not fit to remain a member of the Board.
- 11. (1) The chairperson shall preside over all meetings of the Board but in the absence of the chairperson, members present shall appoint one of the members to preside at the meetings.
  - (2) The validity of any proceedings of the Board shall not be affected by any vacancy among its members or any defect in the appointment or disqualification of any member, which is discovered subsequent to those proceedings.

Meetings of the Board.

- (3) (a) The Board shall ordinarily meet at least once every three (3) months at a time and place to be determined by the Board.
  - (b) The Chairperson may summon an extraordinary meeting of the Board upon a written request by not less than three members of the Board.
  - (c) The State Statistician
    General shall, where
    the Chairperson is
    absent, summon a
    meeting of the Board if
    at least simple majority
    of them request him to
    do so.

- (d) Seven (7) members of the Board shall form a quorum at any meeting of the Board.
- any meeting of the Board shall be determined by a simple majority of the members present and voting. Where there is an equality of votes, the person presiding at the meeting shall have the casting vote.
- (f) The Board may co-opt any person who is not a member to attend any of its meetings as an advisor and speak at the meeting on any

matter in relation to which his advice is sought but shall not have the right to vote on any matter put for decision before the meeting.

- (g) Except as otherwise explicitly stated in this Law, the Board may regulate its own procedure.
- (4) The Board Secretary shall keep or cause to be kept the minutes of every meeting of the Board.
- (5) Except as provided in this Law, the Board shall comply with the laws governing

parastatals organizations in the State.

12. (1) There shall be a State
Statistician General whose
status shall be equivalent to
that of a Permanent Secretary
in the State Civil Servant.

Appointment of the State Statistician General

- (2) Any person to be appointed as State Statistician General shall have good knowledge of statistics, be conversant with information management and have proven managerial ability.
- (3) The State Statistician General shall hold office for a period of five years and shall, subject to his/her satisfactory

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- performance, be eligible for re-appointment.
- (4) Any person to be appointed as the State Statistician General shall be a civil servant, a professional or practicing Statistician not below the rank of a Director in the state public service with at least 15 years cognate experience.
- (5) The State Statistician General shall be a full Member of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of the Bureau and shall:
  - (a) be the coordinator of the State Statistical System, and in this regard:

- (i) advice different
  State Line
  Ministries and
  Agencies and the
  State on issues
  relating to their
  statistical activities;
- (ii) decide on the appropriate methods for collecting and processing of State data for statistical purposes and on the timing and form of dissemination of these statistics; and

- (iii) represent the State in International and National Statistical meetings or designate one or more staff from the Statistical System Office or Department to do so.
- (b) act as the Secretary to
  the Board and of any
  Committees which the
  Board may establish
  and shall on the advice
  of the Chairperson of
  the Board or such
  Committee, convene

any meeting of the Board or Committee, and in carrying out any functions under this sub-section, the State Statistician General shall:

- (i) attend meetings of the Board of any Committee;
   and
- (ii) attend these meetings together with such other officers as he may deem fit.
- (c) subject to the direction of the Board on matters of policy he shall be

responsible to the Board for the administration and management of funds and property of the Bureau;

- (d) embody the status, image, integrity and professionalism of the Bureau and State Statistical System;
- (e) organize, develop, support and promote the organizational culture at the Bureau;
- (f) be responsible for the supervision and discipline of the staff of the Bureau;

- (g) advice stakeholders in the State Statistical System on matters relating to statistics;
- (h) present to the Board for approval annual work programmes, human resources development programmes and any other programmes to develop the State Statistics;
- (i) present to the Board for approval the budgets and audited accounts of the Bureau; and
- (j) perform any such other functions and duties as

may be assigned by the Board.

- may, in writing, delegate to any officer of the Bureau any of his powers and duties under this Law and in respect of any power or duty so delegated, a reference to the officer to whom the power of duty is delegated.
- (5) The State Governor may, on the advice of the Board, suspend or revoke the appointment of the State Statistician General in any of the following situations:-
  - (i) gross misconduct; or

- (ii) incompetence; or
- (iii) neglect of duty; or
- (iv) conviction of a criminal offence.
- 13. (1) The Board shall appoint other staff of the Bureau as may be necessary for the proper and efficient discharge of the Bureau's functions including experts and consultants on the advice of the State Statistician General.

Other Staff of the Bureau

- (2) The staff shall be appointed on such terms as the board may deem fit.
- (3) The staff shall be required to contribute to a pension scheme that the Board may

recommend in accordance with the applicable laws;

(4) The Bureau shall have the following Departments and Units, as shown in schedule 2:

Units and Departments.

- (i) Census and Survey Department;
- (ii) Population & Social Statistics Department;
- (iii) Economic Statistics

  Department;
- (iv) Research & Methodology Department;
- (v) Finance and Administration Department;
- (vi) Servicom and Anti-Corruption Unit;
- (vii) Legal Unit;
- (vii). Audit and Public Relations Unit; and

(ix) any other Department(s) that may be approved by the Board.

14. The State Statistician General may, in writing, appoint any person as an authorized officer for the purpose of this Law and may in like manner revoke such appointment in writing as the situation may demand.

Authorized Officer.

15. Any person employed in carrying out any of the provisions of this Law shall take an oath of office and secrecy prescribed in the Second Schedule, before a Magistrate or Commissioner for Oaths before commencing the duties under such employment.

Oath of Office and Secrecy, 16. There shall be a State Consultative Committee on Statistics (in this law referred to as "the Consultative Committee") appointed by the Governor as one of the mechanisms for coordinating the State Statistical System.

Establishment of a State Consultative. Committee on Statistics.

17. The functions of the Consultative Committee shall include:

Functions of the State Consultative Committee on

(1) examining the statistical programmes of the various agencies annually (at an appropriate period before the annual budget preparation) in order to achieve greater coordination and avoid unnecessary duplication of efforts, and evolve a State statistical programme for Statisties.

- approval of the Board of Directors of the Bureau:
- reviewing and advising on conditions of service of statistical personnel:
- examining the Statistics Law and recommending to the Board any necessary changes as the need may arise; and
- developing strategies which will ensure uniform standards and methodologies amongst the various agencies with a view to improving on the quality, comparability and timeliness of their statistical output.

18. The Committees members shall comprise:

Composition of the Committee.

- (a) State Statistician-General as Chairman;
- (b) Director of Budget, Planning, Research and Statistics of Relevant Ministries;
- (c) representative of the National Bureau of Statistics;
- (d) representative of the NigeriaPolice Force;
- (e) representative of research and training institutions;
- (f) two representatives of organized private sector;

- (g) Representative of Central Bank in the State;
- (h) representative of the National Population Commission;
- representative of Directors of Budget, Planning, Research and Statistics of Local GovernmentAreas; and
- (j) two representatives of Civil Society Organizations;
- 19. (i) The Committee shall ordinarily meet twice a year at a time and place to be determined by the Chairperson.

Meetings of the Committee

(ii) Members of the Committee shall be entitled to a sitting allowance to be determined by the appointing authority.

20. (1) Subject to the provisions of this Law, the Bureau shall, from time to time, collect statistics throughout the State or any part thereof concerning any matter set out in the Schedule to this Law.

Power to obtain Information

- (2) The State Statistician General may, for the purpose of this section of the Law.
  - (a) by notice in writing, require a person to furnish, in such form and manner and within such time as may be specified in the notice, such periodical or other

information, estimates, return or particulars relating to any of the matters specified in the First Schedule of this Law as may be so specified;

- (b) by interviewing a person, require the person to furnish particulars relating to any of the matters specified in the Schedule to this Law; and
- (c) by notice in writing,
  require a person to
  complete a form
  contained in the notice
  with particulars relating

to any of the matters specified in the First Schedule to this Law and return it in such manner and within such time as may be specified in the notice.

- (3) A notice referred to in subsection (1) of this section:
  - (a) may be served by delivering it to the person to whom it is addressed or by sending it by registered post to the person's last known address;
  - (b) shall state that it is served of the powers conferred on the State Statistician General by

- sub-section (1) of this section; and
- statement of the purpose for which the information, estimate, return or particular is required.
- (4) Where any information, estimate, return or particular is required of a person by a notice purporting to be issued by the State Statistician General, it shall, in any legal proceeding relating to the information, estimate returns, particular or notice be presumed:
  - (a) that the information,

estimate, return or particular is such as may lawfully be required of that person in accordance with the provisions of this Law; and

- (b) that the notice was duly served in accordance with paragraph (a) of sub-section (2) of this section, unless the contrary is proved.
- (5) Where the person is required to furnish any information, estimate, return or particular in accordance with the provisions of this section is a company incorporated under

the Companies and Allied Matters Decree 1990, the information estimate return or particular shall be furnished by a person specifically authorized for the purpose by the company.

- (6) The State Statistician General shall publish:
  - (a) by notification in the Gazette, and in such newspaper as may appear to him to be sufficient for notifying the person concerned or;
  - (b) if he is satisfied that local conditions so require, in such other

manner as may appear to him to be most suitable for the notification in the area or areas concerned;

- (c) a list of the classes or description of undertakings in relation to which returns will be required for any of the purposes of this part of the Law.
- (7) A person carrying on an undertaking of a class or description referred to in subsection (1) of this section, who has not received a notice under paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of this section

requiring him to furnish any information estimate, return or particulars in relation to the undertaking, shall inform the State Statistician General:

- may be specified in the notification, not being less than 21 days after the date of the publication applicable to the person, that he is carrying on the undertaking; and
- (b) within the same period or such further period as the State Statistician General may deem reasonable, give the State Statistician

General such particulars of the undertaking as may be so specified.

Line Ministries and other public institutions which produce statistics relating to their responsibilities shall continue to do so. But such statistics shall conform to standards, classifications and procedures as determined by the Bureau to enhance the comparability of such statistics with other statistics of a similar nature, and to minimize unnecessary overlapping or duplication with the collection or

publication of statistics by the various Agencies. The said Ministries and other public institutions shall be required to provide the State Statistician General with the administrative dataset and copies of the report on the compiled data.

- (9) In order to enhance the professionalism in statistical collection, all Ministries will be required to create Statistical Sections/Units, which shall be staffed with professional staff out posted from the Bureau.
- (10) For purposes of administration, these Sections/Units referred to in sub- section (9) of this

section shall be under the control of the ministry where they are established. However, the State Statistician General shall be responsible for the professional staff and promotion of standards in the work of these Sections/Units. These Sections/Units shall therefore periodically submit reports to the Statistician General

21. The Bureau may delegate responsibilities to other public institutions with requisite capabilities to conduct statewide surveys following standards and methodologies agreed with the Bureau. The publication of data,

Delegation of responsibilities to Line Ministries and Public Agencies. items collected requires the prior approval and stamp of the Bureau. The said Ministries shall be required to provide the State Statistician General with the dataset and copies of the report on the collected data.

22. In order to establish public confidence in all official statistics and analysis, the Statistician General will issue a Code of Practice that set out professional standards to be followed by all agencies producing official statistics.

23. Private Nigerian and foreign institutions wishing to conduct statistical survey on a State scale going beyond their market studies Code of Practice for Official Stations.

Conduct of Survey by Private Institutions must first obtain the approval of the Bureau for the appropriateness of conducting such surveys and the methodology to be used. The enquiry forms should carry the stamp of approval of the Bureau. These institutions shall be required to provide the State Statistician General with the dataset and copies of the report on the collected data.

- 24. (1) The provisions of this Law shall not affect any law relating to the disclosure or non-disclosure of any official secret or confidential information or trade secret.
  - (2) Data collected for statistical purpose shall be treated as

Confidentiality and Disclosure. confidential. Data confidentiality means that the dissemination of these data (and the statistics which can be calculated from them) shall not permit the identification directly or indirectly of the units concerned and that a prohibition is imposed on data producers against disclosing information of an individual nature obtained in the course of their work.

- (3) Except for the purposes of a prosecution undertaken by the Bureau:
  - (a) no individual return or part thereof, made for the purposes of this Law;

- (b) no answer given to any question put for the purposes of this part of this Law; and
- (C) no report, abstract or other document. containing particulars comprised in any return or answer so arranged as to enable such particulars to be identified with any person, undertaking or business shall be published, admitted in evidence or shown to a person not employed in the execution of a duty under this Law, without

the prior consent in writing of the person making the return or giving the answer or in the case of an undertaking or business of the person who for the time being is the owner, manager or controller of the undertaking or business.

- (4) Notwithstanding the provisions of sub-section (1) of this section, a report, an abstract or other document may be published without the required consent if:
  - (a) the information about an enterprise or establishment is already

- published or available on a database accessible to the public at large; and
- (b) in the case of a monopoly or duopoly, the statistics of relevant sectors of activity are nonetheless open and punishable, provided they do not reveal costs of production or profits of individual enterprises.
- (5) Nothing in this part of Law shall be construed as:
  - (a) authorizing or requiring the disclosure or production of any information or document

- if the disclosure or production of the information or document would contravene the provisions of any law for the time being in force; or
- (b) prohibiting or restricting
  the disclosure or
  production of any
  information or
  document which is
  authorized or required
  to be disclosed or
  produced under the
  provisions of any law for
  the time being in force.
- (6) A person required under the provision of this part of this

Law to furnish any information, estimate return or particular shall not be obliged to disclose any information or produce a document which he would not be compellable to disclose or produce if he were a witness in a court of law, or which would involve the disclosure of any trade secret in or relating to any undertaking or business which he owns or which he conducts or supervises.

(7) Nothing contained in this section shall be construed to require the disclosure of any information acquired under this Law to any Ministry. Department or authority for the purpose of taxation.

- 25. (1) Data producers shall be required to process, disseminate and make accessible to users as a "public good", data collected or compiled using public funds.
  - (2) Data producers will be required to release microlevel data set for further analysis, with suitable provisions on confidentiality, unless there is compelling reason, such as maintaining

confidentiality, not to do so.

Dissemination and Access.

- (3) Each year, the Board will publish in advance the data to be produced together with the date for the release of the data. All data producing Agencies including the Bureau will be required to have a data release policy, to be made publicly available and they shall have powers to impose charges for data products and services.
- (4) Data producing Agencies shall be required to provide information on the methods and procedures used to compile official statistics and to update this as and when changes and improvements are introduced.

- (5) The Bureau shall make available a register of establishments showing only name and address to those who may want to use it as a sampling frame for conducting surveys.
- 26. (1) Any person who is employed for any of the purposes of this Law who without lawful authority, publishes or communicates to any person, otherwise than in the ordinary course of his/her employment, any information acquired by him in the course of his employment, is guilty of an offence and liable on conviction to a fine or to

Offences and Penalties. imprisonment for a term specified by the regulations accompanying this Law.

- (2) Any person, who is in possession of any information which to his knowledge has been disclosed in contravention of this Law publishes or communicates to any other person that information is guilty of an offence and liable on conviction to a fine or to imprisonment for a term specified by the regulations accompanying this Law.
- (3) Any person who is in the execution of any other purpose or duty under this Law, fails to comply with or

contravenes any other term or condition of his oath is guilty of an offence and liable on conviction to a fine or to imprisonment for a term specified for the regulations accompanying this Law.

- (4) Any person who fails to furnish any information, estimate, return or particular which he is required to furnish under this Law is guilty of an offence and liable on conviction to a fine or to imprisonment for a term specified by the regulations accompanying this Law.
- (5) Any person who fraudulently furnishes information, estimate, return or particular

under this Law and knowingly or recklessly makes a statement in the information, estimate, return or particular which is false in any material or particular, is guilty of an offence and liable on conviction to a fine or to imprisonment for a term specified by the regulations accompanying this Law.

(6) Any person who, after conviction for an offence under sub-section (1) of this section continues to fail to furnish the information, estimate, return, or particular is guilty of a further offence and shall be liable on conviction as provided in that sub-section.

- (7) Any person who, willfully and without lawful authority destroys, defaces or mutilates any schedule, form or other document containing information obtained in pursuance of the provisions of this Law is guilty of an offence and liable on conviction to a fine of imprisonment for a term specified by the regulations accompanying this Law.
- (8) Subject to sub-section (2) of this section, when an offence under this Law is committed by a body of persons:
  - (a) In the case of a corporate body, every Director or Officer of that body corporate;
     and

Funds of the Bureau.

- (b) In the case of partnership or other association of persons, every partner or officer of that body, shall be deemed to be guilty of the offence and punished accordingly.
- (9) Any person shall not be guilty of an offence under subsection (1) of this section if he proves to the satisfaction of the court that the offence was committed without his knowledge, connivance or consent or that he exercised all due diligence to prevent the commission of the offence, having regard to all the circumstances of the case.

- 27. (1) The Bureau shall establish and maintain a fund from which shall be defrayed all expenditure incurred by the Bureau.
  - (2) There shall be paid and credited to the Fund established pursuant to subsection (1) of this section:
    - (a) Such money as may, from time to time be granted to the Bureau by the State Government.

      The Bureau shall negotiate annually with the State Government on the funding;
    - (b) production of a statistics for the forthcoming year;

- (c) All moneys raised for the purposes of the Bureau by way of gifts, loans, grants- in- aids, testamentary dispositions or otherwise;
- (d) All subscriptions, fees and charges for services rendered to the public by the Bureau, and
- (e) All other assets that may, from time to time, accrue to the Bureau.

  The fund shall be managed in accordance with the Financial Regulations and other existing rules relating to financial

transactions of the State Government.

- (3) The fund shall be managed in accordance with rules made by the Commissioner for Finance Economic Planning and Budget and without prejudice to the generality of the power to make rules under this sub-section, the rules in particular contains provisions for:
  - (a) specifying the manner in which money in the Funds are to be held and regulating the making of payments into and out of the Fund; and

- (b) requiring the keeping of proper accounts and records for the purposes of the Funds in such form as may be specified in the rules.
- (4) The Bureau may, from time to time, apply the proceeds of the Fund established in pursuance of this Law for the following purposes;
  - (a) to the cost of administration of the Bureau;
  - (b) for the payment of the salaries, expenses, allowances and benefits of the employees of the Bureau;

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- of the Board and its
  Committees and of
  members of the
  Consultative Committee
  on Statistics such
  expenses as may be
  expressly authorized
  by the Board and for the
  payment of their
  allowances; and
- (d) in connection with all or any of its functions under this Law or under any other written law.
- (5) The Bureau may, with the consent of or in accordance with any general authority given by the Commissioner

Transfer of Assets and Liabilities.

after its establishment, and once every year thereafter, a report in such a form as the Governor may direct on the activities of the office during the last preceding year, and shall include in the report a copy of the audited accounts of the Bureau for that year and of the auditor's report on the account.

(4) The Governor shall cause a copy of each report made by the Bureau under this section to be laid before the Executive Council on, or after the receipt thereof as may be convenient.

- 29. (1) For the purpose of providing offices and premises necessary for the performance of its functions, the Bureau may, subject to the Land Use Act:
  - (a) purchase, take on, or lease any interest in land, building or property; and
  - (b) build, equip and maintain offices and premises.
  - (2) The Bureau may, subject to the Land Use Act. sell or lease out any land, office or premises held by it, which is no longer required for the performance of its functions under this Act.

30. (1) The Bureau may accept gifts of land, money or other property, on such terms and conditions, if any, as may be specified by the person or organization making the gift.

Others.

(2) The Bureau shall not accept a gift if the conditions attached by the person or organization making the gift are inconsistent with the objectives and functions of the Bureau.

Commencement of suit.

31. (1) No suit shall commence against the Bureau before the expiration of a period of one month after written notice of intention to commence the suit shall have been served on the Bureau by the intending

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plaintiff or his agent and the notice shall clearly and explicitly state:

- (a) the cause of action;
- (b) the particulars of the claim;
- (c) the name and place of abode of the intending plaintiff; and
- (d) the relief which it claims.
- (2) The notice referred to in subsection (1) of this section and
  any summons, notice of other
  document required or
  authorized to be served on the
  Bureau under this Decree or
  any other enactment or law
  may be served by:

- (a) delivering it to the State Statistician General; or
- (b) sending it by registered post addressed to the State Statistician General.
- (3) In an action or suit against the Bureau, no execution or attachment or process in the nature thereof shall be issued against the Bureau, but any sums or money which may be awarded by the Court against the Bureau shall, subject to any directives given by the Bureau, be paid from the general reserve of the Bureau.

- 32. (1) The Governor may, by statutory instrument, make regulations for giving effect to this Law within the twelve months after the commencements of this Law.
- Regulations.

- (2) Without prejudice to the general effect of sub-section (1), regulations may be made under it for:
  - (a) prescribing penalties in respect of any contravention of the provisions of this Law.
  - (b) amending, with the approval of the State Executive Council, any item in the First Schedule to this Law.

- 33. (1) The fixing of the seal of the Bureau shall be authenticated by the signatures of the Chairperson and some other members authorized either generally or specifically by the Board to act for that purpose.
- Seal of the Bureau.

which if made or executed by a person not being a body corporate will not be required to be under seal, may be made or executed on behalf of the Bureau by the Statistician General or any person generally or specially authorized by the Board to act for that purpose.

- (3) A document purporting to be a document executed under the seal of the Bureau and authenticated as specified in this schedule shall be received in evidence and shall, unless the contrary is proved, be presumed to be executed.
- (4) A member of the Board who has a personal interest in any contract or arrangement entered into or proposed to be considered by the Board shall forthwith disclose his interest to the Board and shall not vote on any question relating to the contract or arrangement.

34. The Osun State Planning Repeal. Commission Law, 2009 is hereby repealed

d Interpretation.

35. In this Law, unless the context otherwise requires:

"The Governor" means the Executive Governor of the State of Osun.

"Appointing authority" means the Executive Governor of the State of Osun.

"The system" means the State of Osun Statistical System.

"Bureau" means the Osun State
Bureau of Statistics established
under Article 7.

"The Board" means the Board of Directors of Osun State Bureau of Statistics established under Article 9 of this Law.

"Consultative Committee" means Osun State Consultative Committee on Statistics"

"NSA" means Nigeria Statistical Association.

"State Statistician General"
means Osun State Statistician
General appointed under Section 12
equivalent of a Permanent
Secretary in the State Civil Servant.

"Statistics" means information in connection with or incidental to all or any matter specified in the schedule of this Law.

"State" means State of Osun, Nigeria.

"The State Government" means the Government of the State of Osun, Nigeria.

## SCHEDULE

- 1. Births and Deaths
- Internal trade
- 3. Primary and Secondary production
- Agriculture, livestock, horticulture and allied industries
- Forestry
- Fisheries
- Factories, mines and productive industries generally
- Employment and Unemployment
- Salaries, wages, bonuses, fees, allowances and any other payment and Honoraria for services rendered.
- 10. Income, earnings, profits and interest
- Output, stocks, sales and deliveries and details relating to serves provided
- Orders, work in progress, outgoings and costs (including work given out to contractors) and details of capital expenditure.

- Receipt outstanding, fixed capital assets and plant (including the acquisition and disposal of those assets and plants).
- Social, educational, labour and industrial matters (including association of employers, employees and other persons generally)
- 15. Industrial disturbances and disputes.
- 16. Banking, insurance and finance generally
- 17. Commercial and professional undertakings
- 18. Distributive trades
- 19. Health
- Transport and communication in all forms of land, water and air.
- Wholesale and retail prices of commodities, rents and costs of living.
- 22. Injuries, accidents and compensation.
- 23. Land tenure, and the occupation and use of land
- 24. Local Government.

This printed impression has been carefully compared with the Law that has been passed by the State of Osun House of Assembly and it is hereby certified to be a true and correct copy of the Bill.

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