CHAPTER K49 - KWARA STATE SCHOLARSHIP BOARD (ESTABLISHMENT) LAW

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A Law to establish the Kwara State Scholarship Board.

[KWS 8 of 1982, KWS 7 of 1990, No. 4 of 2006.]

[Date of commencement: 3rd November, 1982]

1. Short title

This law may be cited as the Kwara State Scholarship Board (Establishment) Law, 1982.

2. Interpretation

In this Law, unless the context otherwise requires—

"Executive Secretary" means the person appointed as the Secretary to the Board pursuant to section 3 (4) of this Law;

"Government" means the Government of Kwara State of Nigeria;

"Member" means a member of the Board and includes the Chairman;

"Scholarship" means Government grant for the maintenance of a student;

"the Board" means the Kwara State Scholarship Board established under section 3 of this Law;

"The Chairman" means the Chairman of the Kwara State Scholarship Board;

"The Commissioner" means the State Commissioner charged with the responsibility for Education;

"The Governor" means the Governor of Kwara State.

3. Establishment of the Kwara State Scholarship Board

(1) There shall be established a Board to be known as the Kwapa State Scholarship Board hereinafter referred to as the Board.

[KWS 7 of 1990.]

(2) The Board shall consist of a part-time Chairman and sixteen other part-time Members who shall be appointed by the Governor after consultation with the Commissioner from each of the Local Governments in the State.

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(3) The Permanent Secretaries of the Ministries of Education and Finance, or their representatives and a representative of Governor's Office shall also be members of the Board.

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- (4) The Secretary to the Board shall be a Civil Servant and shall be appointed by the Governor after consultation with the Commissioner.
- (5) The Chairman or any other Member of the Board shall hold office for a period of four years beginning from the date on which he is appointed.
- (6) A person who ceases to hold office as a Member of the Board other than by removal by the Governor for misconduct or for inability to perform the function of his office shall be eligible for re-appointment.
- (7) The Governor may at any time remove any member from office for misconduct, or for inability to perform the functions of his office.
- (8) The remuneration, terms and conditions of service of the members of the Board shall be determined by the Governor.
- (9) Any Member of the Board may, by notice in writing addressed to the Governor through the Commissioner, resign his office.

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(10) Every notice of appointment to, or change in the Membership of the Board may be published in the *Gazette*.

4. Functions of the Board

The Board shall be charged with the responsibility for—

- (a) implementing Government policy on State Scholarships and Bursaries as may be laid down from time to time;
- (b) making recommendations to the Government as regards—
 - (i) the grant of scholarship and bursaries wholly or partially in Universities, colleges, institutions in Nigeria and abroad;
- (ii) the selection of persons to receive such scholarships and bursaries.

- (iii) liaising with the appropriate arms of the Federal Government in the processing of various Foreign Technical and Allied Awards as they affect the State and acting as the Agency for channelling to candidates of Kwara State origin all such aids.
- (iv) carrying out such other activities as are conducive to the discharge of its functions under this Law.

5. Powers of the Board

- (1) A candidate applying for an award shall satisfy the Board as to his qualification and the Board may require him to attend an interview.
- (2) The Board may suspend or cancel an award if it is not satisfied with the holder's attendance, conduct or progress or if the scholar violates the terms of the award.
 - (3) The Board may approve supplementary awards.
- (4) The Board shall have the power to appoint the necessary staff to assist it in the discharge of its function and to exercise disciplinary control over such staff and to determine their terms and conditions of service as approved by the Commissioner.

6. Financial Provisions

- (1) The funds of the Board shall consist of all such sums as may from time to time be provided by the Government to the Board for the purposes of its functions.
- (2) The Operating and Capital grants of the Board provided by the Government shall be managed in accordance with the rules made by the Commissioner for Finance.

7. Accounts and Audit

- (1) The Executive Secretary shall be the Accounting Officer of the Board.
- (2) The Board shall operate its own Account and Tenders' Board.
- (3) The Board shall keep proper accounts and proper records in relation thereto,

and shall prepare in respect of each financial year a statement of accounts in such forms as the Commissioner may direct.

(4) The Board shall as soon as may be after the end of the Financial Year to which the accounts relate cause the accounts to be audited and reported upon by the Auditor-General or any person authorised by him and for that purpose, the Auditor-General or any person authorised by him in that behalf shall have access to all books, records, returns and other documents relating to these accounts.

[No. 4 of 2006.]

(5) The Auditor-General shall on completion of the audit of the accounts of each financial year prepare and submit to the House of Assembly his report setting out his observations on all aspects of the accounts of the Board for the year and the House of Assembly shall cause the reports to be considered by a Committee of the House respon¬sible for Public Accounts.

[No. 4 of 2006.]

8. Annual Report

At the end of each year the Board shall issue to the Commissioner a report on the discharge of its functions during the last preceding year.

9. Regulations

The Commissioner may, with the approval of the Governor-in-Council, make regulations for carrying into effect the provisions of this law.

10. Committees

- (1) The Board may appoint one or more Committees (other than Standing Committees) to advise it on the exercise and performances of its functions.
- (2) Every Committee appointed under the provisions of this paragraph shall be presided over by a Member of the Board and shall be made up of such number of persons, not necessarily members of the Board, as the Board may determine in each case.

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