

**TECHNICAL UNIVERSITIES (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2017**

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

*Section*

1. Section 14 of Act 922 amended
2. Section 21 of Act 922 amended
3. Section 22 of Act 922 amended
4. Section 24 of Act 922 amended
5. Section 26 of Act 922 amended
6. Section 27 of Act 922 amended
7. Section 27A of Act 922 inserted
8. Section 31 of Act 922 amended
9. Section 40 of Act 922 amended
10. Section 42 of Act 922 amended
11. First Schedule to Act 922 amended

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**BILL**

ENTITLED

**TECHNICAL UNIVERSITIES (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2017**

AN ACT to amend the Technical Universities Act, 2016 (Act 922) to convert Cape Coast Polytechnic and Tamale Polytechnic to Technical Universities; to provide for harmonised Statutes and Scheme of Service for the Technical Universities; to provide for a fixed tenure for the Registrar and Director of Finance; to provide for the enactment of Statutes; to apply the requirements of the harmonised Statutes and Scheme of Service to persons deemed to have been employed by the Technical Universities and to provide for related matters.

PASSED by Parliament and assented to by the President:

**Section 14 of Act 922 amended**

1. Section 14 of the Technical Universities Act, 2016 (Act 922) referred to in this Act as the “principal enactment” is amended by the substitution for subsection (2) of

“(2) The criteria and modalities for the nomination and election of the Chancellor shall be prescribed by the Statutes of the Technical University.”.

**Section 21 of Act 922 amended**

2. Section 21 of the principal enactment is amended by the substitution for subsection (2) of

“(2) The Registrar shall hold office

- (a) for a term of four years and is eligible for re-appointment for another term only; and
- (b) on the conditions specified in the letter of appointment in accordance with the Statutes of the Technical University.”.

**Section 22 of Act 922 amended**

3. Section 22 of the principal enactment is amended by the substitution for subsection (2) of

“(2) The Director of Finance shall hold office

- (a) for a term of four years and is eligible for re-appointment for another term only; and
- (b) on the conditions specified in the letter of appointment in accordance with the Statutes of the Technical University.”.

**Section 24 of Act 922 amended**

4. Section 24 of the principal enactment is amended by

- (a) the substitution for paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of  
“(a) establishment, variation and supervision of academic divisions, Schools, Faculties, Institutes, Departments, Centres and hostels of that Technical University, subject to approval by the National Council for Tertiary Education;”; and
- (b) the substitution for paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of  
“(b) enter into an agreement or a relationship with another institution whether academic or non-academic and within or outside the country, subject to approval by the National Council for Tertiary Education;”.

**Section 26 of Act 922 amended**

5. Section 26 of the principal enactment is amended by the repeal of subparagraph (ii) of paragraph (a).

**Section 27 of Act 922 amended**

6. The principal enactment is amended by the substitution for section 27, of

**“Procedure for enacting Statutes for Technical Universities**

27. (1) Technical Universities established under this Act shall operate with harmonised Statutes.

(2) To enact the harmonised Statutes under this Act, a draft of the Statutes shall be compiled by the National Council for Tertiary Education and circulated to members of the Council of each Technical University, at least fourteen days before the date of the meeting at which the Statutes are to be considered.

(3) The Council of a Technical University shall consider the draft Statutes and may approve the draft Statutes provisionally with or without amendment.

(4) The Statutes as provisionally approved, shall be circulated to the members of the Council and where in the opinion of the Council, the Statutes affects academic or other matters, the Statutes shall be circulated to

(a) the Academic Board; or

(b) other relevant body

of the Technical University at least seven days before the meeting at which the draft Statutes, with or without amendments, are intended to be confirmed.

(5) Where the Council confirms any proposed amendment to the Statutes, the Council shall forward the proposed amendments to the National Council for Tertiary Education for harmonisation.

(6) The harmonised Statutes shall be confirmed by the Council at a meeting of the Council to be held not less than one month or not more than six months after the meeting at which the Statutes were previously approved.

(7) A Statute shall not be enacted if it is inconsistent with this Act.”

**Section 27A of Act 922 inserted**

7. The principal enactment is amended by the insertion of a new section 27A

**“Scheme of Service**

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**27A.** A Technical University established under this Act shall operate in accordance with the Scheme of Service approved by the National Council for Tertiary Education.”.

**Section 31 of Act 922 amended**

**8.** Section 31 of the principal enactment is amended by the substitution for subsection (1) of

“(1) A Technical University may, subject to approval by the Minister responsible for Education and in consultation with the National Council for Tertiary Education, acquire and hold movable and immovable property, sell, lease, mortgage or otherwise alienate or dispose of that property and enter into any other transaction for

- (a) the purpose of the performance of the functions of the Technical University; or
- (b) any other purpose which that Technical University considers necessary or expedient.”.

**Section 40 of Act 922 amended**

**9.** The principal enactment is amended by the substitution for section 40, of

**“Regulations**

**40.** The Minister may, on the advice of the National Council for Tertiary Education given in consultation with the National Accreditation Board, by legislative instrument, make Regulations

- (a) to amend the First Schedule to convert a qualified Polytechnic in Part 2 to a Technical University in Part 1;
- (b) to amend the Second Schedule in respect of the requirements for the conversion of a Polytechnic to a Technical University; and
- (c) for carrying out and giving effect to this Act.”.

**Section 42 of Act 922 amended**

**10.** Section 42 of the principal enactment is amended by the substitution for subsection (6) of

“(6) A person in the employment of a polytechnic in existence immediately before the coming into force of this Act, shall,