

CHAPTER 139

ROADS (CLASSIFICATION AND MANAGEMENT) LAW

ANSL Cap 121.

A Law to enable the State Governor by order published in the State Gazette to declare a road to be either a State road or a Local Government road.

[27th August 1991]

I. This Law may be cited as the Roads (Classification and Management) Law,

Short title

2. In this Law —

Interpretation

"Commissioner" means the State Commissioner charged with responsibility for matters relating to roads;

Federal highway" has the meaning assigned to that expression in the Federal Highways Act.

"Governor" means Governor of the State;

"Local Government road" means a road declared by an order made under section 3 to be a Local Government road;

"road" means a thoroughfare, other than a Federal Highway—

(a) used by the public; or

(b) under construction

State" means Enugu State of Nigeria.

"State road" means a road declared by an order made under section 3 of this Law to be a State road.

Power to
classify a
road.

3. Upon the commencement of this Law, the Governor shall by order published in the State Gazette declare any road, including any road the construction of which is to commence at a future date, to be a State road or a Local Government road and may by the same or any other order cancel, amend or vary any notice or other subsidiary legislation relating to any road to which this Law, on its commencement applies, or thereafter may apply.

4. (1) Subject to the provisions of this Law a road declared by an order made pursuant to section 3 of this Law to be a State road shall be under the management, direction and control of the Commissioner.

Management
of State
roads.

(2) The Commissioner shall in relation to a State road have responsibility for—

(a) planning (including research and designing) of such road;

(b) the construction and maintenance thereof; and

(c) for the supervision of user thereof.

5. (1) Subject to the provisions of this Law, a road declared by an order made pursuant to section 3 of this Law to be Local Government rood shall be under the management, direction and control of the Local Government having jurisdiction in the area where the road is, or is to be constructed.

(2) A Local Government shall in relation to a Local Government road over which it has jurisdiction have responsibility for—

- (a) planning (including research and designing) of such road,
- (b) the construction and maintenance thereof; and
- (c) for the supervision of user thereof.