

COMMONWEALTH DISTANCE TRAINING COURSE  
IN  
LEGISLATIVE DRAFTING

SECTION 2

How do we draft titles, preambles  
and words of enactment?

### Answer Box 1

The underlying policy or purpose of the legislation appears to be:

1. to increase and improve the ways in which the people of Nigeria can seek and obtain the protection of the law in their enjoyment of a wide range of human rights.
2. to reduce the number of crimes committed by persons using firearms.

In neither case are the policy objectives stated in the long title. They merely describe the technical reasons for legislating.