TO BE INTRODUCED IN THE SENATE]

A Bill

further to amend the Federal Judicial Academy Act, 1997

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Federal Judicial Academy Act, 1997 (XXVIII of 1997) for the purpose hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

- 1. Short title and commencement.— (1) This Act may be called the Federal Judicial Academy (Amendment) Act, 2018.
 - (2) It shall come into force at once.
- 2. Amendment in Section 4 of Act XXVIII of 1997.— In the Federal Judicial Academy Act, 1997 (XXVIII of 1997), hereinafter referred to as the said Act, in section 4—
 - (i) for clause (a), the following shall be substituted:

 "(a) orientation and training of new judges, magistrates, law officers, court personnel, lawyers and such other persons who, in any manner, are connected with the administration of justice;"; and
 - (ii) for clause (b), the following shall be substituted:
 "(b) in-service training and education of judges, magistrates, law officers, court personnel and such other persons who, in any manner, are connected with the administration of justice;".
- 3. Amendment in Section 11 of Act XXVIII of 1997.— In the said Act, in section 11, in sub-section (2), the words "with the approval of the Chairman" shall be omitted.

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

Scope of the functions of the Academy is enhanced by including the lawyers and other government officers connected with administration of justice in the section 4 (a) and (b) of the Act. Thus amendment in the section is proposed by including lawyers and such other persons were concerned with the administration of justice. Moreover, burden of the Chairman i.e. Honourable Chief Justice of Pakistan is also proposed to be reduced by transferring his authority to take action under Efficiency and Discipline Rules, 1973 in case of staff of the Academy from BS-1 to 16 to the Director General of FJA.

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