[TO BE INTRODUCED IN THE SENATE]

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Bill

further to amend the Regulation of Generation, Transmission and Distribution of Electric Power Act, 1997

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Regulation of Generation, Transmission and Distribution of Electric Power Act, 1997 (XL of 1997) for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

- 1. Short title and commencement. (1) This Act may be called the Regulation of Generation, Transmission and Distribution of Electric Power (Amendment) Act, 2019.
 - (2) It shall come into force at once.
- 2. Amendment of section 3, Act XL of 1997.- In the Regulation of Generation, Transmission and Distribution of Electric Power Act, 1997 (XL of 1997), in section 3, in sub-section (1), the phrase "Federal Government after considering the recommendations of the respective" shall be omitted.

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

The Regulation of Generation, Transmission and Distribution of Electric Power Act, 1997, provides for the representation of Provinces in the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority, such representation is subject to the approval of the Federal Government on recommendations made by the Provincial Governments.

That, in view of the scheme of the Constitution, 1973, the Provincial Governments should be competent to name their respective representatives in the said Authority keeping in view of the qualifications specified in subsection (4) of section 3 of the said Act.

This amendment Bill seeks to achieve these objectives.

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