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*further to amend the Drug Regulatory Authority of Pakistan Act, 2012*

**WHEREAS** it is expedient further to amend the Drug Regulatory Authority of Pakistan Act, 2012 (XXI of 2012), for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

**1. Short title and commencement.-** (1) This Act may be called the Drug Regulatory Authority of Pakistan (Amendment) Act, 2020.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

**2. Amendment of section 2, Act XXI of 2012.-** In the Drug Regulatory Authority of Pakistan Act, 2012 (XXI of 2012), hereinafter to referred to as the said Act, in section 2, in clause (xv), the brackets and the word "(non-drugs)", shall be omitted.

**3. Amendment of section 4, Act XXI of 2012.-** In the said Act, in section 4, in sub-section (1), in clause (h) the brackets and the word "(non-drugs)", occurring twice, shall be omitted.

**STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS**

The word "non-drug" after the words Health and OTC Products are inconsistent to the definition of the term 'DRUG' given under SCHEDULE-1 of the Drug Regulatory Authority of Pakistan Act, 2012 and also misused in case of assurance of safeness, effectiveness and reasonable pricing of drugs and therapeutic goods.

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