

*As*  
**[TO BE INTRODUCED IN THE SENATE]**

**A**  
**BILL**

*further to amend the Enforcement of Women's Property Rights Act, 2020*

**WHEREAS** it is expedient to amend the Enforcement of Women's Property Rights Act, 2020, (XII of 2020), for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

**1. Short title and commencement.-** (1) This Act may be called the Enforcement of Women's Property Rights (Amendment) Act, 2020.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

**2. Amendment of section 2, Act XII of 2020.** - In the Enforcement of Women's Property Rights Act, 2020 (XII of 2020), hereinafter referred to as the said Act, in section 2, for paragraph (c), the following shall be substituted, namely:-

"(c) "Ombudsman" means the Ombudsman appointed under section 3 of the Establishment of the office of Wafaqi Mohtasib (Ombudsman) Order, 1983;"

**3. Amendment of section 3, Act XII of 2020.-** In the said Act, in section 3, for the expression "the Protection against Harassment of Women at the Workplace Act, 2010 (IV of 2010)" the expression "the Establishment of the Office of Wafaqi Mohtasib (Ombudsman) Order, 1983" shall be substituted.

**4. Omission of section 7, Act XII of 2020.-** In the said Act, section 7, shall be omitted.

**STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS**

The Enforcement of Women's Property Rights Act, 2020 deals with the matters where any women is deprived of her property rights so that it is necessary that powers and function must be derived from the Establishment of the Office of Wafaqi Mohtasib (Ombudsman) Order, 1983.

In the Act, the appointment of Mohtasib was proposed to be made under the Protection against Harassment of Women at the Workplace Act, 2010 (IV of 2010) now through this amendment it is proposed to be changed with the Establishment of the Office of Wafaqi Mohtasib (Ombudsman) Order, 1983.

In above amendment mohtasib is powered only in the situation where case is not pending in the court.

**SENATOR SIRAJUL HAQ**  
 Member-in-Charge