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~~[TO BE INTRODUCED IN THE SENATE]~~

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BILL

further to amend the Transplantation of Human Organs And Tissues Act, 2010

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Transplantation of Human Organs and Tissues Act, 2010 (VI of 2010) for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

1. Short title and commencement. - (1) This Act may be called the Transplantation of Human Organs and Tissues (Amendment) Act, 2021.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. Amendment of Section 4, Act VI of 2010. - In the Transplantation of Human Organs and Tissues Act, 2010 (VI of 2010), in section 4, after sub section (3), the following shall be inserted, namely:-

"4. for the purpose of verification of donation, the National Database and Registration Authority shall, while issuing National Identity Card, make a provision in its application form, requiring the consent of applicant regarding donation of an organ or tissue in case of death of the donor. The application form shall also contain the options regarding selection of any single or a combination of more than one organs or all organs, the applicant consents to donate:

Provided that a donor referred to in sub section (1), shall update the status regarding donation of organ or tissue with National Database and Registration Authority:

Provided further that the National Database and Registration Authority shall display the consent of donor on the National Identity Card by imprinting the words " Organ / Tissue Donor" in red."

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

Organ transplantation is the only option to save lives in patients affected by terminal organ failures and improve their quality of life. However, disparity exists between the supply and demand of donated organs that leads to a loss of many lives. The results of organ transplantation may be improved, as consequence of the innovations and improvements by prompt and timely verification and identification of donor after his / her death. For the aforesaid purpose, the amendment in this Act aims at requiring the National Database and Registration Authority to display the consent of potential donor on National Identity Card for identification and apt management of transplantation of Organs and Tissues.

This Bill seeks to achieve the above purpose.

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