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*further to amend the China Pakistan Economic Corridor Authority Act, 2021*

**WHEREAS** It is expedient further to amend the China Pakistan Economic Corridor Authority Act, 2021 (V of 2021) for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

**1. Short title and commencement.-** (1) This Act may be called the China Pakistan Economic Corridor Authority (Amendment) Act, 2022.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

**2. Amendment of section 5, Act V of 2021.-** In the China Pakistan Economic Corridor Authority Act, 2021 (V of 2021), hereinafter referred to the said Act, in section 5, in sub-section (1), for the expression "six other Members", occurring in the third line, the expression "eight other Members out of whom one shall be a Senator and one Member National Assembly, nominated by the Chairman Senate and the Speaker National Assembly, as the case may be." shall be substituted.

**3. Amendment of section 7, Act V of 2021,-** In the said Act, in section 7, in sub-section (3), for the full stop "." occurring at the end, a colon ":" shall be substituted, and thereafter the following proviso shall be inserted, namely:-

"Provided that amongst the six members, other than a Senator and Member National Assembly, appointed under sub-section (1), at least one member shall be appointed from each province."

**STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS**

Elected representatives are required to be on the Boards of Federal Authorities so as to safeguard the interests of their electorates and be the voice of general public in policy formulation. At the same time, representation of the provinces implies that provincial interests can be expressed and safeguarded in an organization or Authority and pressed to maximum advantage, keeping in mind the common weal that all citizens of Pakistan seek. Hence, provincialized Federal Institutions need to be considered to have considerable employment implications, especially in the public service area. The amendments in this Act provide for prescribing public and political representation in the Federal Government Authority, so that it reflects and represents the provincial diversity.

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