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**Bill**

further to amend the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860

**Whereas**, it is expedient further to amend the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860 (XLV of 1860), in the manner and for the purpose hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:—

**1. Short title and commencement.**— (1) This Act shall be called the Pakistan Penal Code (Amendment) Act, 202~~4~~.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

**2. Amendment of section 376, Act XLV of 1860.**— In the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860 (XLV of 1860), in section 376, in sub-section (3), for the words "or imprisonment for life and fine", the words "or imprisonment of either description for a term which shall not be less than twenty five years or for imprisonment for the remainder period of his natural life and fine" shall be substituted.

**STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS**

Sexual assault is a traumatic event that affects people in different ways both mentally and physically. Unfortunately it has been observed that cases of rape have been increased these days. In the present criminal justice system of Pakistan there are provisions that whoever commits rape of a minor or a person with mental and physical disability shall be punished with death or imprisonment of a life but sometimes rapist released due to some lacuna in sub Section (3) of section 376 and the purpose of this amendment is for improvement in the punishment of rapist.

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