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further to amend the Elections Act, 2017

Whereas it is expedient further to amend the Elections Act, 2017 (XXXIII of 2017) in the manner and for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows :-

1. Short title and commencement.– (1) This Act shall be called the Elections (Amendment) Act, 2024.

(2) This Act shall come into force at once.

2. Amendment of section 232, Act XXXIII of 2017.– In the Elections Act, 2017 (XXXIII of 2017), hereinafter called as the said Act, in section 232, for the marginal heading "**Qualifications and disqualifications.–** ", the marginal heading "**Disqualification on account of declaration by court .–**" shall be substituted.

3. Amendment of Form A, Act XXXIII of 2017.– In the said Act, in Form A, under the heading "**FOR SENATE ELECTION ONLY**", the expression "/FATA" shall be omitted.

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

In June, 2023 (26-06-2023), while amending section 232 of Elections Act, 2017 (Act No. XXXV of 2023), the title of this section was also amended from "Disqualification on account of offences" to "Qualifications and Disqualifications" the same title as that of section 231 of Elections Act, 2017. The ECP has now requested for the change of title/heading of Section 232 of the Elections Act, 2017 along-with omission of the acronym FATA in Section 110 of the Act ibid from Form-A (for Senate elections only) through an amendment in Elections (Amendment) Bill, 2024.

2. The Bill seeks to achieve the above objects.

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