[AS PASSED BY THE SENATE]

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Bill

further to amend the Federal Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education, Act (LXVIII OF 1975)

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Federal Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education, Act (LXVIII OF 1975), for the purposes hereinafter appearing.

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

1. **Short title and commencement.** – (1) This Act shall be called the Federal Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education (Amendment) Act, 2026.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

1A. Amendment of section 4, Act LXVIII of 1975.- In the Federal Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education Act, 1975 (LXVIII of 1975), in section 4, the expression, " the Federally Administered Tribal Areas," occurring in the second line, shall be omitted.

2. **Amendment of section 5, Act LXVIII of 1975.-** In the Federal Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education Act, 1975 (LXVIII of 1975), in section 5,

(i) for paragraph (b) the following shall be substituted, namely: -

"(b) two Vice-Chancellors, of whom at least one shall be a woman, to be nominated by the Higher Education Commission; "

(ii) for paragraph (k) the following shall be substituted, namely: -

"(k) two members, of whom at least one shall be a woman, to be nominated by the Senate of Pakistan from amongst its members;"

(iii) for the full stop appearing at the end of paragraph (p), a colon shall be substituted, and thereafter the following proviso shall be added, namely:-

"Provided that one third female representation shall be ensured.".

STATEMENT OF OBJECT AND REASONS

Cabinet Division communicated Honorable Prime Minister's directives to ensure "33% women representations in all Federal Boards, Statutory Bodies, Public Sector Organizations and Allied Committees under Federal Government (Task No. T16367C)". In order to ensure the compliance of the above, Ministry of Federal Education and Professional Training has started process of making necessary amendments in the existing laws of the autonomous organizations under the ambit of the Ministry.

2. There is a dire need to bring adequate amendments in the existing Federal Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education Act (LXVIII of 1975). The Bill seeks to achieve the aforesaid object.

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