

**[AS INTRODUCED IN THE SENATE]**

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**BILL**

*further to amend the Islamabad Consumers Protection Act, 1995*

**WHEREAS** it is expedient further to amend the *Islamabad Consumers protection Act, 1995* (III of 1995) for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

**1. Short title and commencement.** – (1) This Act may be called the Islamabad Consumers Protection (Amendment) Act, 2017.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

**2. Amendment of section 9, Act III of 1995.** – In Islamabad Consumers Protection Act, 1995 (III of 1995), in section 9,-

- (a) in sub-section (1), for the words “forty thousand rupees”, the words “one hundred thousand rupees” shall be substituted;
- (b) in sub-section (2), for the words “thirty thousand rupees”, the words “one hundred thousand rupees” shall be substituted;
- (c) in sub-section (3), for the word “may” the word “shall” shall be substituted; and
- (d) in sub-section (4), for the word “may” the word “shall” shall be substituted.

**STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS**

In Pakistan especially in Capital Islamabad people usually carry their business honestly and earn profit but on the other side some people are earning money through illegal and immoral means by selling expire items in the market which is harmful to human health, every year many people lose their lives in Pakistan because of adulterated, expired and thus harmful items being sold in market. These rough businessman and those involved in advertisement, sell and promote these health hazard items used by the people must be taken to task. We must protect common man from these adulterated, expired and harmful to human health items sold in markets.

In the light of Hadith of Prophet (PBUH) about sale and trade that **“A time will come when one will not care how one gains one’s money, legally or illegally.”** So that law should be strict and the rights of the consumers should be protected and effective remedy should be given to the consumers whose right has been violated and the strict punishment for people who are involved in this cause.

This Bill has been designed to achieve aforementioned purpose.

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