

**[AS PASSED BY THE SENATE]**

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*further to amend the Drug Regulatory Authority of Pakistan Act, 2012*

**WHEREAS** it is expedient further to amend the Drug Regulatory Authority of Pakistan Act, 2012 (XXI of 2012), for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

**1. Short title and commencement.-** (1) This Act may be called the Drug Regulatory Authority of Pakistan (Amendment) Act, 2020.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

**2. Amendment of section 2, Act XXI of 2012.-** In the Drug Regulatory Authority of Pakistan Act, 2012 (XXI of 2012), hereinafter referred to as the said Act, in section 2, in clause (xv), the brackets and the word "(non-drugs)", shall be omitted.

**3. Amendment of section 4, Act XXI of 2012.-** In the said Act, in section 4, in sub-section (1), in clause (h) the brackets and the word "(non-drugs)", occurring twice, shall be omitted.

**STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS**

The word "non-drugs" after the words Health and OTC Products are inconsistent to the definition of the term 'DRUG' given under SCHEDULE-1 of the Drug Regulatory Authority of Pakistan Act, 2012 and also misused in case of assurance of safeness, effectiveness and reasonable pricing of drugs and therapeutic goods.

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