

[AS PASSED BY THE SENATE]

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Bill

to amend the National Skills University Islamabad Act, 2018

WHEREAS, it is expedient to amend the National Skills University Islamabad Act, 2018 (VIII of 2018), 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 National Skills University Islamabad (Amendment) Bill, 2023.

(1) It shall come into force at once.

2. **Amendment of section 3, Act VIII of 2018.**- In the National Skills University Islamabad Act, 2018 (VIII of 2018), in section 3, for sub-section (8), the following shall be substituted, namely:-

“(8) Notwithstanding anything contained in any other law for the time in force, all civil servants of the Government serving in the NISTE Islamabad immediately before the commencement of this Act are rendered surplus in the manner applicable to reorganization or abolition of a ministry, division, department, office or abolition of a post in pursuance of any Government decision and shall be appointed in a ministry, division, department or office of the Government to a post carrying basic pay scale equal to the post held by that civil servant before such appointment, if he possesses the qualifications and fulfills other conditions applicable to that post, provided that where no equivalent post is available, he may be offered a lower post in such manner and subject to such conditions as may be prescribed and where such civil servant is appointed to a lower post, the pay being drawn by him in the higher post immediately preceding his appointment to a lower post shall remain protected.”

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

The Parliament of Pakistan approved the Act to upgrade the then National Institute of Science and Technology Education (NISTE) into National Skills University (NSU), Islamabad in March 2018. Subsequently, the President of Pakistan approved NSU Charter on March 12, 2018.

The purpose of the Bill is to amend the NSU Act, 2018 is to protect the rights of 58 employees working as civil servants in NSU who have exercised their option to remain an employee of the NSU and are drawing pay of civil services will be placed on the disposal of surplus pool of Establishment Division.

The Cabinet considered the summary dated 9th December, 2022, submitted by the Ministry of Federal Education and Professional Training, which was circulated in terms of rule 1/(1)(b) read with Rules of Business, 1973, for amendments in the National Skills University Act, 2018 and approved the proposal at para 5 of the summary.

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