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[TO BE INTRODUCED IN THE SENATE]

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BILL

further to amend the Pakistan Medical and Dental Council Act, 2022

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Pakistan Medical and Dental Council Act, 2022 (IV of 2023), for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

1. Short title and commencement.- (1) This Act shall be called the Pakistan Medical and Dental Council (Amendment) Act, 2024.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. Insertion of section 49A, Act IV of 2023.- In the Pakistan Medical and Dental Council Act, 2022 (IV of 2023), after section 49, the following new section shall be inserted, namely:-

"49A. Annual Report.- The Federal Government shall lay before both the Houses of the Parliament, an annual report of the Council, regarding its working and achievements, which shall be referred to the concerned Standing Committees of the Senate and National Assembly for examination and report."

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

The Pakistan Medical and Dental Council has been established to regulate medical colleges and universities to ensure quality of teaching, besides profession of medicine and doctors under the Pakistan Medical and Dental Council Act, 2022. The Parliament being mother of all institutions and to discharge the role of oversight, needs to be kept abreast of the performance of the institutions created through the Act passed by it. Hence, this bill aims at prescribing the provision regarding oversight of Parliament upon working of the Council by submission of annual report in both the Houses.

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Member-in-Charge