

[AS PASSED BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY]

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Bill

further to amend the Islamabad High Court Act, 2010

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Islamabad High Court Act, 2010 (XVII of 2010), 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 Islamabad High Court (Amendment) Act, 2024.

(2) It shall come in to force at once.

2. Amendment of section 3, Act XVII of 2010.- In the Islamabad High Court Act, 2010 (XVII of 2010), in section 3, in sub-section (1), for the word "nine" the word "twelve" shall be substituted.

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

The Islamabad High Court was established under the Islamabad High Court Act, 2010 (XVII of 2010). As per sub-section (1) of section 3 of the aforesaid Act, the number of Judges of the Islamabad High Court are nine plus one Chief Justice.

In view of the consistent increase in the litigation in Islamabad and as it is growing into a cultural and business hub and also it is evident from the growth of population in Islamabad that further litigation will burden the High Court, so it is imperative that number of judges in the Islamabad High Court may be increased.

In light of the above, it is proposed to increase the number of judges in the Islamabad High Court from nine to twelve, in addition to the Chief Justice.

The Bill has been designed to achieve the aforesaid objects.


Minister-in-Charge