

[AS PASSED BY THE SENATE]

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further to amend the Civil Servants Act, 1973

WHEREAS, it is expedient further to amend the Civil Servants Act, 1973(LXXI of 1973), for the purposes and in the manner hereafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

1. Short title and commencement. - (1) This Act shall be called the Civil Servants (Amendment) Act, 2025.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. Insertion of new section 15-A, Act No LXXI of 1973.- In the Civil Servants Act, 1973(LXXI of 1973), after section 15, the following new section 15-A shall be inserted, namely:-

"15-A. Declaration of Assets.- Notwithstanding anything contained in clause (g) of section 7 of the Right of Access to Information Act, 2017 (XXXIV of 2017), the declaration of assets of a Civil Servant of BS-17 and above, his spouse and dependent children, including domestic and foreign assets and liabilities, as may be prescribed, shall be digitally filed with the Federal Board of Revenue and same shall be publicly available, through Federal Board of Revenue, in accordance with the rules as may be prescribed:

Provided that the extent of disclosure, under this section, shall give due regard to the balance between public interest for good governance and individual's privacy and security."

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

To further operationalize the Government Servants (Conduct) Rules, 1964 (Rule 12, 13 and 13-A) and consistent with the Right to Information Act of 2017, to ensure that asset declarations of high-level public officials (BPS 17 - 22) (Including domestic and foreign assets beneficially owned by them or a member of their family) will be digitally filed and publicly accessible (with sufficient safeguards over data protection and privacy of personal information such as ID numbers, residential addresses, bank account or bond numbers) through the FBR with a robust framework, resources and tools for the Establishment Division to conduct risk-based verification.

Minister-in-Charge