

[TO BE INTRODUCED IN THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY]

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BILL

further to amend the Suppression of Terrorist Activities (Special Courts) Act, 1975

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Suppression of Terrorist Activities (Special Courts) Act, 1975 (Act XV of 1975), for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:

1. **Short title and commencement.**- (1) This Act may be called the Suppression of Terrorist Activities (Special Courts) (Amendment) Act, 2014.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. **Amendment in the Schedule, Act XV of 1975.**- In the suppression of Terrorist Activities (Special Courts) Act, 1975 (Act XV of 1975), in entry (e), of the Schedule for the word and figures "section 25" the words and figures "section 25 and 25-D" shall be substituted.

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

With the widespread use of telephones, both landlines and mobiles, and the Internet, there is a rising trend to repeatedly annoy and criminally intimidate, harass and threaten the innocent users of the electronic gadgets by making obnoxious calls and sending obnoxious or harassing messages and pictures. Such calls and messages often cause undue hardship to the user of telephone, mobile and the Internet. Such trends should not only be checked but dealt with by apprehending such ill-intending persons and also by suitably punishing them to keep good order in the society.

2. The Bill seeks to achieve the above-said objectives and to provide a reasonable deterrence in the society for undue interferences and intrusions into the others' lives.

Sd/-

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