

[AS PASSED BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY]

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Bill

further to amend the Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal Act, 1991

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal Act, 1991 (I of 1992), for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

1. Short title and commencement.- (1) This Act may be called the Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal (Amendment) Act, 2017.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. Amendment of section 4, Act I of 1992.- In the Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal Act, 1991 (I of 1992), in section 4,-

(i) in paragraph (h), the word "and" occurring at the end shall be omitted and after paragraph (h) amended as aforesaid, the following new paragraph shall be inserted, namely:-

"(i) to provide for rehabilitation services and to establish rehabilitation centres for the rehabilitation of disabled children; and"

(ii) the existing "paragraph (i)", shall be re-numbered as "paragraph (j)".

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

In Pakistan, children with disabilities living in remote and disadvantaged areas have little access to rehabilitation services and support. Due to the absence of rehabilitation centres their rehabilitation needs often remain unmet that could make a meaningful difference to their lives such disabled children. One such disability is cerebral palsy; children suffering from such disability are ignored at large. The purpose of this Bill is to establish the rehabilitation centres for the disabled children, generally; and specifically, provide rehabilitation services such as physical, occupational and speech therapy to the children suffering from cerebral palsy in order to improve their quality of life.

The Bill seeks to achieve the aforementioned objectives.

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