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Acts, Ordinances, President's Orders and Regulations

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

Islamabad, the 5th June, 2017

No. F. 23(5)/2017-Legis.—The following Act of *Majlis-e-Shoora* (Parliament) received the assent of the President on the 2nd June, 2017 is hereby published for general information:—

ACT No. XXIV OF 2017.

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further to amend the Representation of the People Act, 1976

WHEREAS, it is expedient further to amend the Representation of the People Act, 1976 (LXXXV of 1976) for the purposes hereinafter appearing and to re-inforce the true spirit of democracy whereby women are able to effectively participate in elections without any hindrance or restraint;

It is hereby enacted as follows:—

(641)

Price : Rs. 2.00

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1. **Short title and commencement.**—(1) This Act may be called the Representation of the People (Amendment) Act, 2017.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. **Amendment of section 78, Act LXXXV of 1976.**—In the Representation of the People Act, 1976 (LXXXV of 1976), in section 78, for clause (2), the following shall be substituted, namely:—

“(2) is guilty of bribery, personation or undue influence or prevents any woman from contesting election or exercising her right to vote or enters into formal or informal agreement or understanding debarring women from becoming candidates for an election or exercising their right of vote in an election;”.

3. **Amendment of section 103AA, Act LXXXV of 1976.**—In the Representation of the People Act, 1976 (LXXXV of 1976), in section 103AA, after sub-section (3), the following new sub-section shall be added, namely:—

“(4) An appeal against decision of the Commission made while exercising powers under sub-sections (1), (2) and (3) shall lie before the Supreme Court for decision within thirty days.”.

JAWAD RAFIQUE MALIK,
Secretary.