**PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PUNJAB**

**Bill No. 33 of 2018**

**THE PUNJAB BOARD OF TECHNICAL EDUCATION (AMENDMENT) BILL 2018**

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BILL

*to amend the Punjab Board of Technical Education* Ordinance, 1962

It is necessary further to amend the Punjab Board of Technical Education Ordinance, 1962 *(XXXIX of 1962)* to give effect to the regulatory, administrative and operational autonomy to the Punjab Skills Development Authority.

Be it enacted by Provincial Assembly of the Punjab as follows:

**1. Short title and commencement**.– (1) This Act may be cited as the Punjab Board of Technical Education (Amendment) Act 2018.

 (2) It shall come into force at once.

**2. Amendment in section 4 of Ordinance XXXIX of 1962**.– In the Punjab Board of TechnicalEducation Ordinance, 1962 *(XXXIX of 1962)*, hereinafter referred to as the Ordinance, for section 4, the following shall be substitute:

“**4. The Board**.– (1) The Board shall consist of the Chairman and not less than seven but not more than eleven members, including at least three female membersto be appointed by the Chief Minister on such terms and conditions as may be prescribed and until so prescribed as the Government may determine.

 (2) The Chairmanshall be a person of eminence from technical education and vocational training sector, and the members shall be the eminent persons from industrial, agricultural, services and technical education and vocational training sectors.

##  (3) Secretary to the Government, Industries, Commerce and Investment Department shall be *ex officio* member of the Board.

 (4) Subject to subsection (5), the term of the Chairman and members, other than *ex officio* member, shall be three years but any of them may, subject to satisfactory performance, be appointed for a second term but no one shall be appointed for more than two consecutive terms.

 (5) The Chairman and the members, other than *ex officio* members, shall serve during the pleasure of the Government and the Government may, at any time, appoint another person as the Chairperson or, as the case may be, the member for the remaining term of the outgoing Chairman or the member.

 (6) In case, the office of the Chairman is vacant temporarily or otherwise, by reason of leave, illness, or any other cause for a period not exceeding three months, the Government shall make such arrangement for the performance of the duties of the office of the Chairman as it may deem appropriate.

(7) A non-official member may resign by writing under his hand and the Government may, in the prescribed manner, appoint an eligible person for the remaining term of such member.

(8) No act or proceedings of the Board shall be invalid merely by reason of any vacancy or defect in the constitution of the Board.

(9) The Chairman or a member shall not, directly or indirectly, receive any sum or profit except such honorarium, fee, allowance or any other expenses incurred in performance of duties under the Ordinance which shall be disbursed to such members in the prescribed manner.”.

**3. Amendment in section 10 of Ordinance XXXIX of 1962**.– In the Ordinance, for section 10:

 (a) for subsection (1), the following shall be substituted:

 “(1) Subject to the Ordinance, the Board shall have powers to conduct examinations and issue certificates of technical, vocational, industrial and commerce education.”; and

 (b) in subsection (2), clause (ii), clause (iii), clause (iv), clause (v), clause (ix) and clause (x) shall be omitted.

**4. Amendment in section 19 of Ordinance XXXIX of 1962**.– In the Ordinance, in section 19, subsection (e) and subsection (f) shall be omitted.

**5. Amendment in section 20 of Ordinance XXXIX of 1962**.– In the Ordinance, in section 20, clause (i) shall be omitted.

**STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS**

It is essential to amend the Punjab Board of Technical Education Ordinance, 1962 *(XXXIX of 1962)* to give effect to the regulatory, administrative and operational autonomy to the Punjab Skills Development Authority. Hence the Bill.

 **MINISTER INCHARGE**

**Lahore: MUHAMMAD KHAN BHATTI**

**12 December 2018 Secretary**