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An Act to amend the Ehtram-e-Ramazan Ordinance, 1981.

It is necessary to amend the Ehtram-e-Ramazan Ordinance, 1981 (XXIII of 1981), in its application to Province of the Punjab, for purposes of updating and rationalizing the existing provisions and for ancillary matters.

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 Ehtram-e-Ramazan (Amendment) Act 2017.
 - (2) It shall come into force at once.
- **2. Amendment in section 1 of Ordinance XXIII of 1981**. In the Ehtram-e-Ramazan Ordinance, 1981 (*XXIII of 1981*), for brevity cited as the Ordinance, in section 1, in subsection (2), for the word "Pakistan", the words "the Punjab" shall be substituted.
- **3.** Amendment in section 3 of Ordinance XXIII of 1981.— In the Ordinance, in section 3, in subsection (2) for the words "five hundred rupees", the words "five thousand rupees" shall be substituted.
- **4. Amendment in section 4 of Ordinance XXIII of 1981.** In the Ordinance, in section 4, in subsection (2), for the words "five hundred rupees", the words "fifty thousand rupees" shall be substituted.
- **5.** Amendment in section 6 of Ordinance XXIII of 1981.— In the Ordinance, in section 6, in subsection (2), for the words "five thousand rupees", the words "fifty thousand rupees" shall be substituted.
- **6.** Amendment in section 7 of Ordinance XXIII of 1981.— In the Ordinance, in section 7, for subsection (1), the following shall be substituted:
 - "(1) A Magistrate or an Assistant Commissioner, who has reason to believe that any offence punishable under this Ordinance has been committed by any person, may enter the public place and arrest such person.".
- **7.** Amendment in section 9 of Ordinance XXIII of 1981.— In the Ordinance, in section 9, in subsection (1) for the words "Federal Government", the words "Provincial Government" shall be substituted.

¹This Act, which adapted, with amendments, a Federal law titled "The Ehtram-e-Ramazan Ordinance, 1981 (XXIII of 1981)" for the province of Punjab; was passed by the Punjab Assembly on 25 October 2017; assented to by the Governor of the Punjab on 30 October 2017; and, was published in the Punjab Gazette (Extraordinary), dated 08 November 2017, pages 3145-46