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further to amend the Transplantation of Human Organs and Tissues Act, 2010

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Transplantation of Human Organs and Tissues Act, 2010 (Act VI of 2010), for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:

- 1. <u>Short title and commencement</u>.- (1) This Act may be called the Transplantation of Human Organs and Tissues (Amendment) Bill, 2014.
 - (2) It shall come into force at once.
- 2. <u>Insertion of new section Act VI of 2010</u>.- In the Transplantation of Human Organs and Tissues Act, 2010 (No. VI of 2010), after section 4, the following new section shall be added at the end, namely:-
- "4A. Donation of human organs or tissues after accidental death.- (1) The authority issuing a driving license shall make a provision at the first page of a driving license in the form of an undertaking obtaining consent of applicant of such driving license regarding donation of human organs or tissues in case of accidental death of the holder of such driving license.
- (2) Whoever apply for a driving license shall sign the undertaking as provided in subsection (1) consenting that his organs or tissues may be transplanted to any person in need of such human organs or tissues in case of accidental death of the signatory removed by the nearest authorized medical institution or hospital duly recognized by the Monitoring Authority.
- (3) The Monitoring Authority, Driving License Issuing Authority or such other authorities in the field of public health shall publicize the importance of a deceased donor for the welfare of humanity from different scientific and religious aspects so that the people may contribute through their voluntary donations of organs and tissues in case of accidental death.".

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

There are so many accidental deaths while driving motor vehicles. During such deaths human body is mutilated, injured or damaged in such form that sanctity of human corpse like natural death is not possible and even routine rituals are also not performed. However, most of

human organs or tissues are still active even after clinical death and some of such human organs or tissues may be transplanted to persons in need of such human organs or tissues. Such donation may give a new lease of life of person in need of such human organs or tissues. Therefore, there is need to make a provision to donate human organs or tissues in case of accidental death.

The Bill seeks to achieve the above aims and objects.

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