L. A. BILL No. XI OF 2021.

A BILL

further to amend the Maharashtra Nurses Act, 1966.

(As passed by the Legislative Assembly on the 5th July, 2021) (As passed by the Legislative Council on the 5th July, 2021)

Mah. XL WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Maharashtra Nurses of 1966. Act, 1966, for the purposes hereinafter appearing; it is hereby enacted in the Seventy-second Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

 $(G.C.P.)\ HB\ 509-1\ (240-7\text{-}2021)$

Short title commencement.

- 1. (1) This Act may be called the Maharashtra Nurses (Amendment) Act, 2021.
- (2) It shall be deemed to have come into force on the 19th December 2020.

Amendment of section 40 of Mah. XL 1966.

In section 40 of the Maharashtra Nurses Act, 1966, after sub-section Mah. XL of 1966. (3), the following proviso shall be added, namely:-

"Provided that, if the Council cannot be constituted within the period of extension provided under this sub-section due to the outbreak of COVID-19 pandemic in the State, the State Government may extend the period of appointment of the administrator for a further period of one year but which shall not exceed three years in the aggregate.".

Validation of acts and things done by

3. All acts and things done and all steps taken by the administrator Mah. XL after the expiry of the extended term of appointment under sub-section (3) of administrator. section 40 of the Maharashtra Nurses Act, 1966, till the date of publication of this Act in the Official Gazette, shall be deemed to have been validly done or taken as if his term of appointment has not so expired; and the same shall not be called in question in any court of law or no suit or other proceedings shall be instituted or maintainable against such person or the Maharashtra Nursing Council on the sole ground that the exercise of the powers, performance of duties and discharge of functions by such administrator under the said Act during such period, was without any legal authority.

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[Shri Amit Deshmukh, Medical Education Minister.]

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RAJENDRA BHAGWAT, Secretary, Maharashtra Legislative Council.

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