THE SREE SANKARACHARYA UNIVERSITY OF SANSKRIT (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2008

(As passed by the Assembly)

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further to amend the Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit Act, 1994.

Preamble.—Whereas, it is expedient further to amend the Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit Act, 1994, for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

BE it enacted in the Fifty-ninth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

- 1. *Short title and commencement.*—(1) This Act may be called the Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit (Amendment) Act, 2008.
- (2) It shall be deemed to have come into force on the 9th day of June, 2008.
- 2. Amendment of section 2.— In section 2 of the Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit Act, 1994 (5 of 1994) (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act), after clause (1), the following clause shall be inserted, namely:—
- "(m) "Pro-Vice-Chancellor" means the Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the University;".
- 3. Amendment of section 3.—In sub-section (1) of section 3 of the principal Act, after the words "the Vice-Chancellor", the words "the Pro-Vice-Chancellor" shall be inserted.
 - 4. Amendment of section 12.— In section 12 of the principal Act,—
 - (i) under the heading "Ex-officio Members",—
- (a) the existing item (ii) shall be renumbered as item (iii) and before item (iii) as so renumbered, the following item shall be inserted, namely:—
 - "(ii) The Pro-Vice-Chancellor;";

- (b) after item (iii), as so renumbered, the following item shall be inserted, namely:—
- "(iv) The Secretary to Government, Finance Department or an officer of the Finance Department not below the rank of Deputy Secretary to Government, nominated by him.";
 - (ii) under the heading "Nominated Members",—
 - (a) for item (iii), the following item shall be substituted, namely:—
- "(iii) Three teachers of the University, nominated by the Government for a period of four years at a time, of whom one shall be a woman;";
 - (b) after item (iv), the following item shall be inserted, namely:—
- "(v) Chairperson of the University Union or in his or her absence, a registered regular student of the University or of the colleges or centers affiliated to the University, nominated by the Government:

Provided that where a person other than the Chairperson of the University Union is nominated to the Syndicate under this item his office shall stand vacated on the election of the Chairperson of the University Union and such Chairperson shall stand nominated to the Syndicate on the date of his election."

- 5. Amendment of section 15.— In sub-section (3) of section 15, after the words, "in his absence," the words, "the Pro-Vice-Chancellor and, in the absence of both," shall be inserted.
- 6. Amendment of section 16.— In sub-section (3) of section 16 of the principal Act, under the heading *Ex-Officio Members*, after item (i), the following item shall be inserted, namely:—
 - "(ia) The Pro-Vice-Chancellor;".
- 7. Amendment of section 18.— For sub-section (3) of section 18 of the principal Act, the following sub-section shall be substituted, namely:—
- "(3) The Vice-Chancellor or, in his absence, the Pro-Vice-Chancellor or, in the absence of both, a member chosen by the members present from among themselves shall preside over a meeting of the Academic Council.".
- 8. Amendment of section 21.—In sub-section (1) of section 21 of the principal Act, after item (iii), the following item shall be inserted, namely:—
 - "(iv) the Pro-Vice-Chancellor;".

- 9. Amendment of section 23.—In section 23 of the principal Act, after item (i), the following item shall be inserted, namely:—
 - "(ii) The Pro-Vice-Chancellor;".
- 10. Amendment of section 24.— For sub-section (6) of section 24 of the principal Act, the following sub-section shall be substituted, namely:—
- "(6) In the event of temporary vacancy occurring in the office of the Vice-Chancellor or where the Vice-Chancellor is temporarily absent the Pro-Vice Chancellor shall exercise the powers and perform the duties of the Vice-Chancellor or perform the routine duties of the Vice-Chancellor, as the case may be.".
- 11. Amendment of section 26.—After sub-section (11) of section 26 of the principal Act, the following sub-section shall be inserted, namely:—
- "(12) The Vice-Chancellor may delegate any of his powers to the Pro-Vice-Chancellor.".
- 12. *Insertion of new section 27.*—After section 26 of the principal Act, the following section shall be inserted, namely:—
- "27. *The Pro-Vice-Chancellor.* (1) The Pro-Vice-Chancellor shall be appointed by the Chancellor from the panel submitted by the Pro-Chancellor.
- (2) The Pro-Vice-Chancellor shall not have completed sixty-five years of age at the time of his appointment.
- (3) The Pro-Vice-Chancellor shall be a whole time salaried officer of the University.
- (4) The Pro-Vice-Chancellor shall hold office for a term of four years from the date on which he enters upon his office and shall be eligible for reappointment.
- (5) The salary and other conditions of service of the Pro-Vice-Chancellor shall be such as may be prescribed by the Statutes.
- (6) Subject to the provisions of the Act, Statutes, Ordinances and Regulations, the powers and functions of the Pro-Vice-Chancellor shall be determined by the Chancellor in consultation with the Vice-Chancellor.".

- 13. *Repeal and Saving*.—(1) The Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit (Amendment) Ordinance, 2008 (22 of 2008) is hereby repealed.
- (2) Notwithstanding such repeal, anything done or deemed to have been done or any action taken or deemed to have been taken under the principal Act, as amended by the said Ordinance, shall be deemed to have been done or taken under the principal Act, as amended by this Act.