

**AN
ACT**

to establish clear conflict of interest and related post-employment principles for public office holders, to prevent and minimize the possibility of conflicts arising between the private interests and public duties of public office holders in the Province of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

WHEREAS it is expedient to establish clear conflict of interest and related post-employment principles for public office holders, to prevent and minimize the possibility of conflicts arising between the private interests and public duties of public office holders and provide for the resolution of those conflict in the public interest should they arise, to establish an independent Commission with the mandate to determine the measures necessary to avoid conflict of interest and to determine whether a contravention of this Act has occurred; to encourage experienced and competent persons to seek and accept public office and to facilitate interchange between the private and public sector and not to deny equal opportunities to relatives of public office holder, as the relatives cannot be barred from legal business activities and for matters connected therewith and ancillary thereto;

It is hereby enacted as follows:

**CHAPTER-I
PRELIMINARY**

1. **Short title, application and commencement.**---(1) This Act may be called the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Prevention of Conflict of Interest Act, 2016.
 - (2) It shall apply to all the public office holders.
 - (3) It shall come into force on such date as Government may, by notification in the official Gazette, specify and different dates may be specified for different provisions of this Act.

**CHAPTER-II
INTERPRETATIONS**

2. **Definitions.**---In this Act , unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context,-
 - (a) "assets" mean and include any movable and immovable property, money, securities, actionable claims, rights, interests and includes any trusts in respect of which a public office holder or a member of his family is a beneficiary;
 - (b) "Commission" means the Prevention of Conflict of Interest and Ethics Commission, established under section 3 of this Act;
 - (c) "conflict of interest" means the unlawful financial benefit or a liability accruing to the public office holder or his family due to his official position;
 - (d) "family" means the spouse, dependent children, dependent children of spouse and dependent parents of the public office holder;
 - (e) "Government" means the Government of the Province of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa;

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