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*BILL*

*further to amend the Guruvayoor Devaswom Act, 1978.*

*Preamble.*—WHEREAS, it is expedient further to amend the Guruvayoor Devaswom Act, 1978 (14 of 1978) for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

BE it enacted in the Seventy - sixth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. *Short title and commencement.*—(1) This Act may be called the Guruvayoor Devaswom (Amendment) Act, 2025.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. *Amendment of section 9.*—In the Guruvayoor Devaswom Act, 1978 (14 of 1978), for section 9, the following section shall be substituted, namely:—

“9. *Remuneration of the Chairman and members.*—The Chairman and members of the Committee shall be entitled to receive per mensem, such honoraria and sitting fees, as may be fixed by the Government from time to time, by notification published in the Official Gazette and such Chairman and members shall also be entitled to receive such travelling allowance or daily allowances, if any, as may be prescribed.”.

**STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS**

Section 9 of the Guruvayoor Devaswom Act, 1978 (14 of 1978) provides that, no member of the Committee shall receive or be paid any salary or other remuneration except such travelling or daily allowances, if any, as may be prescribed. As per the said provision the Chairman and members of the Committee were not eligible for honoraria and sitting fees.

2. The Government have now decided to bring an amendment to the said Act, in order to provide honoraria and sitting fees to the Chairman and members of the Guruvayoor Devaswom Managing Committee.

3. The Bill is intended to achieve the above object.

#### FINANCIAL MEMORANDUM

The Bill, if enacted and brought into operation, would not involve any additional expenditure from the Consolidated Fund of the State.

#### MEMORANDUM REGARDING DELEGATED LEGISLATION

Section 9 proposed to be substituted in the principal Act by clause 2 of the Bill seeks to empower the Government to fix the honoraria and sitting fees for the Chairman and members of the Committee by notification published in the Official Gazette, and also seeks to empower the Government to prescribe the travelling allowances or daily allowances to the Chairman and members.

2. The matters in respect of which rules may be made or notifications may be issued are matters of procedure and are of routine or administrative in nature. Further, such rules and notifications are subject to the scrutiny of the Legislative Assembly. Hence, the delegation of legislative power is of a normal character.

V. N. VASAVAN.

EXTRACT FROM THE GURUVAYOOR DEVASWOM ACT, 1978  
(14 OF 1978)

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