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further to amend the Kerala Irrigation and Water Conservation Act, 2003.

Preamble.—WHEREAS, it is expedient further to amend the Kerala Irrigation and Water Conservation Act, 2003 (31 of 2003) for the purposes hereinafter appearing ;

BE it enacted in the Sixty-second Year of the Republic of India, as follows :—

1. *Short title and commencement.*—(1) This Act may be called the Kerala Irrigation and Water Conservation (Amendment) Act, 2011.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. *Amendment of section 58.*—In sub-section (1) of section 58 of the Kerala Irrigation and Water Conservation Act, 2003 (31 of 2003) after clause (j), the following clause shall be inserted namely :—

“(k) A Police Officer not below the rank of an Inspector General of Police to be nominated by the Government”.

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

The Kerala Dam Safety Authority in its 15th meeting proposed the Government to include a Police Officer not below the rank of an Inspector General of Police as member in the Kerala Dam Safety Authority by considering 1384/2011.

the increased threat on the safety of Dams. Government have accepted the proposal and decided to make provision in the Kerala Irrigation and Water Conservation Act, 2003 (31 of 2003) to nominate a Police Officer not below the rank of an Inspector General of Police as a member in the Kerala Dam Safety Authority, by amending sub-section (1) of section 58 of the said Act.

2. The Bill seeks to achieve the above object.

FINANCIAL MEMORANDUM

Clause 2 of the Bill provides for the nomination of a Police Officer not below the rank of an Inspector General of Police as a member of the Dam Safety Authority. Expenditure on account of Travelling Allowance, or Dearness Allowance, sitting fee will be required in the case of inclusion of a new member i.e., an Inspector General of Police to the Kerala Dam Safety Authority. The Bill, if enacted and brought into operation would involve expenditure from the Consolidated Fund of the State. Though the expenditure can be considered as nominal the actual expenditure that may have to be incurred on this account cannot be estimated with any reasonable degree of accuracy at this stage.

P. J. JOSEPH

