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further to amend the Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University Act, 2010.

Preamble.—WHEREAS, it is expedient further to amend the Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University Act, 2010 (Act 3 of 2011) for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

BE it enacted in the Seventy-fourth year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. *Short title and commencement.*—(1) This Act may be called the Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University (Amendment) Act, 2023.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. *Amendment of Section 44.*—In the Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University Act, 2010 (Act 3 of 2011), for sub-section (3) of section 44, the following sub-section shall be substituted, namely:—

“(3) The Management Council shall submit a copy of the annual accounts and the audit report to the Government along with a statement of action taken by the University on the audit report for the financial year ending on 31st March of the year, on or before the 1st day of March of the succeeding year, and on such receipt the Government shall cause the same to be laid before the Legislative Assembly.”.

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

Sub-section (3) of section 44 of the Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University Act, 2010 (Act 3 of 2011) provides that the Management Council shall submit a copy of the accounts and the report to the Government along with the statement of action taken by the University on the audit report and the State Government shall cause the same to be laid before the Legislative Assembly. There is no existing provision in the said Act fixing any time limit for the submission of the annual accounts and audit report by the University to the Government. It is necessary to incorporate a provision in the Act fixing a time limit for the university for the submission of annual accounts and audit report, to the Government, viz, on or before the 1st day of March of the succeeding year. For this purpose the Government have decided to amend the said provision of the Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University Act, 2010 (Act 3 of 2011).

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.

J. CHINCHURANI.

EXTRACT FROM THE RELEVANT PORTIONS OF
THE KERALA VETERINARY AND ANIMAL
SCIENCES UNIVERSITY ACT, 2010
(ACT 3 OF 2011)

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44. *Accounts and Auditing.*—(1) The annual accounts and the balance sheet of the University shall be prepared by the finance officer under the direction of the Vice-Chancellor and all moneys accruing to, or received by, the University, from whatever source and all amounts disbursed or paid by the University shall be entered in the accounts.

(2) The annual accounts and the balance sheet shall be submitted by the Vice-Chancellor to the Government, which shall cause an audit to be carried out by such persons as it may appoint in this behalf. The accounts when audited shall be printed and copies thereof, together with the audit report, shall be presented by the Vice-Chancellor to the Management Council and the Chancellor.

(3) The Management Council shall submit a copy of the accounts and the report to the Government along with a statement of the action taken by the University on the audit report, and the State Government shall cause the same to be laid before the Legislative Assembly.

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