to repeal the Sikkim Non-Biodegradable Garbage (Control) Act, 1997.

WHEREAS, the Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016 notified by the Central Government vide Notification No. S.O. 1357 (E) dated the 8th day of April, 2016 and the Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2016 notified vide Notification No. GSR 320(E) dated the 18th day of March, 2016, framed under the provisions of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 have been enforced in the State of Sikkim;

AND WHEREAS, with the enforcement of the Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016 and the Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2016 to the state of Sikkim, it is necessary to repeal the Sikkim Non-Biodegradable Garbage (Control) Act, 1997.

It is hereby enacted by the State Legislature in the Seventy-fourth Year of the Republic of India as follows:

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<th>Short title and commencement.</th>
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<th>This Act may be called the Sikkim Non-Biodegradable Garbage (Control) (Repealing) Act, 2023.</th>
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<td>3. (1)</td>
<td>Notwithstanding the repeal of the Sikkim Non-Biodegradable Garbage (Control) Act, 1997 the repeal shall not:</td>
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The State Government has deemed it expedient to repeal the Sikkim Non-Biodegradable Garbage (Control) Act, 1997 with reasons stated as under:

The Sikkim Non-Biodegradable Garbage (Control) Act, 1997 was enacted and notified vide Notification No. 7/LD/97 dated 30th April 1997 and published in Official Gazette No.71 dated:30/04/1997. The objective of this Act was to prevent throwing or depositing non-biodegradable garbage in public drains, roads and open places which is open to public view in the state of Sikkim and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.


The purpose and objective envisaged in the Sikkim Non-Biodegradable Garbage (Control) Act, 1997 has been sufficiently covered by Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016 and Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2016, Solid Waste Management Cleanliness and Sanitation Byelaws, 2019 and Plastic Waste Management and Handling Byelaws, 2021. Therefore, repealing the Sikkim Non-Biodegradable Garbage (Control) Act, 1997 have been felt necessary.

With the above object in view, the Bill has been framed.

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FINANCIAL MEMORANDUM
-NIL-

MEMORANDUM REGARDING DELEGATED LEGISLATION
-NIL-

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