

**[AS PASSED BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY]**

*A Bill further to amend the Pakistan Engineering Council Act, 1976*

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Pakistan Engineering Council Act, 1976 (V of 1976), for the purpose hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:—

1. **Short title and commencement.**— (1) This Act may be called the Pakistan Engineering Council (Amendment) Act, 2016.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. **Amendment of section 9, Act V of 1976.**— In the Pakistan Engineering Council Act, 1976 (V of 1976), in section 9, in sub-section (2),—

(i) the commas and words “besides Registrar,” shall be omitted;

(ii) for the word “sixty-five”, the word “sixty-six” shall be substituted; and

(iii) after clause (e), the following new clause shall be inserted, namely:—

“(ea) Engineer-in-Chief, Pakistan Army;”.

**STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS**

The Pakistan Engineering Council (Amendment) Act was notified on 24<sup>th</sup> January, 2011. The President's Secretariat (Public) through Prime Minister's Secretariat (Public) observed that the Engineer-in-Chief, Pakistan Army may also be included as a member of the Governing Body of the Pakistan Engineering Council, in order to give representation to the large number of engineers working in the Armed Forces etc. and the fact that he was a member of the Governing Body before the Amendment. The Pakistan Engineering Council also agreed that the Engineer-in-Chief, Pakistan Army, should be a member of the Governing Body, as previously.

2. The proposed Bill will provide legal cover to the inclusion of the Engineer-in-Chief, Pakistan Army on the Governing Body of the Pakistan Engineering Council.

3. The Bill seeks to achieve the above said objects.

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