

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT**

**REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERIOR AND NARCOTICS CONTROL ON THE ANTI-TERRORISM (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2015**

1. Chairman of the Standing Committee on Interior and Narcotics Control, have the honor to present this report on the Bill further to amend the Anti-Terrorism Act, 1997 (Act XXVII of 1997) [The Anti-Terrorism (Amendment) Bill, 2015] (Private Member's Bill) referred to the Committee on 24<sup>th</sup> November, 2015.

2. The Committee consists of the following members: -

1) <b>Rana Shamim Ahmad Khan</b>	<b>Chairman</b>
2) Syed Javed Ali Shah	Member
3) Mr. Ghalib Khan	Member
4) Dr. Ibadullah	Member
5) Sheikh Muhammad Akram	Member
6) Syed Ifikhar-ul-Hassan	Member
7) Makhdoomzada Basit Bokhari	Member
8) Mian Shahid Hussain Khan Bhatti	Member
9) Makhdoom Syed Ali Hassan Gillani	Member
10) Ms. Tahmina Daultana	Member
11) Mir Dostain Domki	Member
12) Mr. Nauman Islam Shaikh	Member
13) Mr. Ehsan-ur-Rehman Mazari	Member
14) Nawab Muhammad Yousuf Talpur	Member
15) Mr. Khial Zaman Orakzai	Member
16) Dr. Arif Alvi	Member
17) Kanwar Naveed Jameel	Member
18) Mr. Salman Khan Baloch	Member
19) Ms. Nacema Kishwer Khan	Member
20) Mr. Sher Akber Khan	Member
21) Ch. Nisar Ali Khan, Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control	Ex-officio Member

3. The Committee considered the Bill on 14-02-2017. The Committee recommends that the Bill placed at Annexure-"A" may not be passed by the Assembly.

Sd/-  
**(ABDUL JABBAR ALI)**  
Secretary

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**(RANA SHAMIM AHMAD KHAN)**  
Chairman  
Standing Committee on  
Interior and Narcotics Control

Islamabad, the 17<sup>th</sup> April, 2017

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**BILL**

further to amend the Anti-Terrorism Act 1997 (Act XXVII of 1997)

WHEREAS it is expedient and necessary to amend the Anti-Terrorism Act, 1997 to bring the heinous offences against children under anti-terrorism act 1997;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

1. **Short title and commencement.**- (1) This Act may be called the Anti-Terrorism (Amendment) Act, 2015.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

(3) It shall extend to the whole of Pakistan.

2. **Amendment of section 6 of the Anti-Terrorism Act (Act XXVII of 1997).**- In the Anti Terrorism Act (Act XXVII of 1997), in section 6, in sub-section (2), after clause (a), the following new clause shall be inserted, namely;

“(aa) Involves the adultery or sodomy with the child under the age of sixteen years”.

3. **Amendment of section 7 (Act XXVII of 1997).**- In the said act, in section 7, in sub-section (1), after clause (a), the following new clause shall be inserted, namely;

“(aa) Adultery or sodomy with the child under the age of sixteen years is caused, shall be punishable, on conviction, with death or with imprisonment for life and with fine not less than five hundred thousand rupees; or”.

**STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS**

The main object the Anti-Terrorism Act, 1997 was to provide prevention of terrorism and also for speedy trials of heinous offences which are non compoundable.

It is widely observed that whenever an act of adultery or sodomy is committed against the innocent children less than sixteen years of age, the parents overall the country become fearful of sending their children outside the home.

To prevent such like terrorism, this amendment is proposed which includes the above said offences into the act of terrorism, exclusively tribal by the special Courts constituted under Anti-Terrorism Act, 1997.

This bill seeks the above said objects.

Sd/-  
Sahibzada Tariquillah  
Member, National Assembly