

## NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

### REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LAW AND JUSTICE ON THE CONSTITUTION (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2019

1. the Chairman of the Standing Committee on Law and Justice, have the honour to present this report on the Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2019] (Government Bill) referred to the Committee on 16<sup>th</sup> January, 2019.

2. The Committee comprises the following:-

1. Mr. Riaz Fatyana	Chairman
2. Mr. Atta Ullah	Member
3. Mr. Lal Chand	Member
4. Mr. Muhammad Farooq Azam Malik	Member
5. Ms. Kishwer Zehra	Member
6. Ms. Maleeka Ali Bokhari	Member
7. Mr. Muhammad Sana Ullah Khan Masti Khel	Member
8. Malik Muhammad Ehsan Ullah Tiwana	Member
9. Agha Hassan Baloch	Member
10. Mr. Sher Ali Arbab	Member
11. Ms. Shunila Ruth	Member
12. Mr. Saad Waseem	Member
13. Rana Sana Ullah Khan	Member
14. Ch. Mehmood Bashir Virk	Member
15. Mr. Usman Ibrahim	Member
16. Khawaja Saad Rafique	Member
17. Syed Hussain Tariq	Member
18. Syed Naveed Qamar	Member
19. Dr. Nafisa Shah	Member
20. Ms. Aliya Kamran	Member
21. Barrister Dr. Muhammad Farogh Naseem Minister for Law and Justice	Ex-officio Member

3. The Committee considered the Bill as introduced in the National Assembly placed at (Annex-A), in its meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> March, 2019 and recommended that the Bill may be passed by the National Assembly.

Sd/-  
TAHIR HUSSAIN  
Secretary

Islamabad, the 4<sup>th</sup> April, 2019

Sd/-  
(RIAZ FATYANA)  
Chairman

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*further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan*

**WHEREAS** it is expedient further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan for the purpose hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

**1. Short title and commencement.**— (1) This Act may be called the Constitution (..... Amendment) Act, 2019.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

**2. Amendment of Article 51 of the Constitution.**— In the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, in Article 51,—

(I) in clause (1), for the words “three hundred and thirty-six” the words “three hundred and thirty-seven” shall be substituted;

(II) in clause (3), in the table,—

(a) against the entry “Federal Capital” in the first column,—

(i) in the third column, the figure “1” shall be inserted; and

(ii) in the fourth column, for the figure “3” the figure “4” shall be substituted;

(b) against the entry “Total” in the first column,—

(i) in the third column, for the figure “60” the figure “61” shall be substituted; and

- (ii) in the fourth column, for the figure "326" the figure "327" shall be substituted; and
- (III) in clause (6),--
- (a) in paragraph (b),—
    - (i) after the word "Province", the words "and Federal Capital" shall be inserted; and
    - (ii) after the word "Provinces" the words "and Federal Capital" shall be inserted; and
  - (b) in paragraph (d),—
    - (i) after the word "Province" occurring for the first time, the words "and Federal Capital" shall be inserted; and
    - (ii) after the word "concerned" the words "or Federal Capital" shall be inserted.

#### **STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS**

Under Article 1(2)(b) of the Constitution, the Islamabad Capital Territory (Federal Capital) is separate entity. Under Article 25(3), the State can make special provision for protection of women. The present Government believes in emancipation of women and is in favour of giving a seat to women in National Assembly for ICT to bring the women at par with other federating units. In order to achieve this purpose constitutional amendment is required. Hence, this Bill.

The Bill is designed to achieve the aforesaid object.

***Minister-in-Charge***