

**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] (Private Member's Bill) referred to the Committee on 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2019.

2. The Committee comprises the following:-

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| 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<br>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 meetings held on 30<sup>th</sup> October, 2019 and 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2019. The Committee recommends that the Bill as introduced may not be passed by the National Assembly.

Sd/-  
**TAHIR HUSSAIN**  
Secretary  
Islamabad, the 12<sup>th</sup> December.2019

Sd/-  
**(RIAZ FATYANA)**  
Chairman

AS REPORTED BY THE STANDING COMMITTEE

A

**Bill**

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 31 of the Constitution,-** In the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, in Article 31, after clause (2), the following new clause shall be inserted, namely: -

“(3) The State shall also take steps to enable the muslims for offering of *fard* prayers / *Salah* in public and private offices during working hours.”

**STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS**

After insertion of Article 2A, in the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, the Holy Qur'an and Sunnah have become the Supreme Law of Pakistan and the State is assured to enforce the existing laws and provisions of the Constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan with such adaptations as are necessary in the light of the Holy Qur'an and Sunnah.

In view of Article 2 A of the Constitution, every organ of the State is duty bound to act and implement the Islamic principles as enshrined in the Holy-Qur'an and Sunnah.

The Bill seeks to achieve the aforesaid objectives.

Sd/-

**MR. FAHEEM KHAN**  
Member, National Assembly