

## **NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT**

### **REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS ON "THE ELECTORAL ROLLS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2014 (ORDINANCE NO. VII OF 2014)"**

I, the Chairman of the Standing Committee on Parliamentary Affairs, have the honour to present this report on the Bill further to amend the The Electoral Rolls Act, 1974 (XXI of 1974) [The Electoral Rolls (Amendment) Bill, 2014] (Ordinance No. VII of 2014) referred to the Committee on 23-10-2014.

2. The Committee comprises the following Members:-

1.	<b>Mian Abdul Mannan</b>	<b>Chairman</b>
2.	Sardar Ashiq Hussain Gopang	Member
3.	Dr. Muhammad Afzal Khan Dhandla	Member
4.	Dr. Nisar Ahmad Jatt	Member
5.	Sheikh Muhammad Akram	Member
6.	Mian Tariq Mehmood	Member
7.	Mr. Azhar Qayyum Nahra	Member
8.	Mr. Rasheed Ahmad Khan	Member
9.	Mr. Nadeem Abbas Rabaira	Member
10.	Ch. Salman Haneef Khan	Member
11.	Ms. Arifa Khalid Parvez	Member
12.	Ms. Belum Hasnain	Member
13.	Ms. Shahida Rehmani	Member
14.	Dr. Nafisa Shah	Member
15.	Ms. Nafeesa Inayatullah Khan Khattak	Member
16.	Mr. Salim Rehman	Member
17.	Ms. Saman Sultana Jafri	Member
18.	Syed Essa Nori	Member
19.	Ms. Shahjehan Munir Mangrio	Member
20.	Ms. Shazia Mubashar	Member
21.	Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs	Ex-officio Member

3. The Committee in its meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2015 considered the above Bill in detail and approved the same. Therefore, the Committee unanimously recommends that the Bill as introduced in the National Assembly placed at Annex-A may be passed by the National Assembly.

**Sd/-**  
**(MOHAMMAD RIAZ)**  
Secretary  
National Assembly Secretariat

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**(MIAN ABDUL MANNAN)**  
Chairman  
Standing Committee on  
Parliamentary Affairs

Islamabad, the 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 2015

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## Bill

*further to amend the Electoral Rolls Act, 1974*

**WHEREAS**, it is expedient further to amend the Electoral Rolls Act, 1974 (XXI of 1974), for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

1. **Short title and commencement.** — (1) This Act may be called the Electoral Rolls (Amendment) Act, 2015.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. **Amendment of section 2, Act XXI of 1974.** — In the Electoral Rolls Act, 1974 (XXI of 1974), hereinafter referred to as the said Act, in section 2, after sub-section (2), the following new sub-sections shall be inserted, namely:-

“(2a) “local government” means the local government established under a Federal or a Provincial law relating to local government;

(2b) “local government law” means a Federal or a Provincial law relating to local government;”.

3. **Amendment of section 4, Act XXI of 1974.**— In the said Act, in section 4, in sub-section (1), —

(a) after the word “Assembly” a comma shall be inserted and the word “and” occurring thereafter shall be omitted;

(b) after the word "Assemblies" the words "and local governments" shall be inserted.

4. **Insertion of new section, Act XXI of 1974.**- In the said Act, after section 4 amended as aforesaid, the following new sections shall be inserted, namely:-

**4A. Procedure of Commission.** - The Commission shall regulate its own procedure.

**4B. Delegation of powers, etc.** - The Commission may authorize one or more of its members, acting singly or together, to exercise and perform all or any of its powers and functions under this Act."

5. **Amendment of section 27, Act XXI of 1974.**- In the said Act, in section 27, for the word "Commissioner" the word "Commission" shall be substituted.

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### STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

Under Article 140A of the Constitution the power to hold election of the local governments stand vested in the Election Commission of Pakistan. In order to bring the local governments elections within the purview of the Election Commission of Pakistan necessary amendment is being made in the Electoral Act 1974(XXI of 1974).

The Bill is designed to achieve the aforesaid object.

MINISTER-IN-CHARGE