

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT**

**REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERIOR AND NARCOTICS CONTROL ON THE CRIMINAL LAWS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2016**

I, the Chairman of Standing Committee on Interior and Narcotics Control, have the honor to present this report on the Bill further to amend the Code of Criminal Procedure 1898 (V of 1898) [The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2016] (Private Member's Bill) referred to the Committee on 27<sup>th</sup> September, 2016.

2. The Committee consists of the following: -

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 Iftikhar-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 Khan 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. Naeema 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 in its meeting held on 02-05-2017. The Committee recommends that the Bill placed at Annex-A may not be passed by the Assembly.

Sd/-  
**(JAWAD RAFIQUE MALIK)**  
Secretary  
*Islamabad, the 03<sup>rd</sup> August, 2017*

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

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*further to amend the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898*

WHEREAS, it is expedient further to amend the Code of Criminal Procedure 1898 (V of 1898) for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

1. **Short title and Commencement.**- (1) This Act may be called "The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Act, 2016."

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. **Amendment of 241-A, Act V of 1898.**- In the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898, in section 241-A,-

(i) for sub-section(1) the following shall be substituted, namely:-

" (1) In all cases instituted upon police report except those tried summarily or punishable with fine or imprisonment not exceeding six months, copy of the First Information Report and copies of statements of all witnesses recorded under Section 161 and 164, report of police officer under section 173, the inspection note recorded by an investigation officer on his first visit to the place of occurrence and the note recorded by him on recoveries made, if any, shall be supplied free of cost to the accused not less than seven days before the commencement of the trial".

(ii) The proviso to sub-section (2) shall be omitted.

**STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS**

After eighteenth amendment in the Constitution as per Article 10-A of the Constitution fair trial is a fundamental right of the accused which cannot be achieved unless copy of all material or evidence which the prosecution intends to produce during trial in court against the accused is not supplied before framing of the charge.

This Bill is designed to achieve the aforesaid objective.

S.A. Iqbal Quadri  
Mr. Abdul Waseem  
Mr. Sajid Ahmed  
Sheikh Salahuddin,

Sd/-  
Mr. Iqbal Muhammad Ali Khan  
Mr. Sufyan Yousuf  
Dr. Fouzia Hameed  
Members, National Assembly